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Imagine Reliving John and Yoko's Montreal Bed-In

May 26 will mark the 40th anniversary of John Lennon and Yoko Ono's Bed-In for Peace in Montreal, left. The newlyweds, inspired by their first Bed-In in Amsterdam, had wanted to do a second one in the Bahamas (deemed too hot) or New York (a no-go because of a previous marijuana charge), but ended up at the Queen Elizabeth Hotel in Montreal. Lennon ended up recording

"Give Peace a Chance" in his suite.

To celebrate the anniversary, the Fairmont Queen Elizabeth is offering, through June 21, a CD that includes "Give Peace a Chance," a copy of the lyrics in calligraphy and breakfast for two, either in bed (of course) or at the restaurant buffet. Prices start at 199 Canadian dollars a night, about \$155 at 1.3 Canadian dollars to the U.S. dollar; but for

Suite 1742 (John and Yoko's room), the package starts at 599 dollars (www.fairmont.com).

Also taking place is "Imagine," April 2 to June 21, a free exhibition at the Montreal Museum of Fine Arts (www.mmfa.qc.ca), which will include art by Yoko Ono as well as photographs and news clips that chronicle the couple's weeklong peace protest.