

# Literature, film and theatre about the First World War

## **Books**

**Krieg dem Kriege! (War against War!)** (1924) by Ernst Friedrich

Ernst Friedrich was a pacifist/anarchist who resisted Germany's war effort and was imprisoned. Later he led an anti authoritarian youth movement and founded the Anti-War museum in Berlin. He produced a picture book with shocking photographs of the grim reality of war.

**All Quiet on the Western Front** by Erich Maria Remarque (1929)

Account of the German soldiers' extreme mental and physical stress during the war and the detachment from civilian life felt by many of these soldiers on returning home from the front.

At the very beginning of the book Erich Maria Remarque says "This book is to be neither an accusation nor a confession, and least of all an adventure, for death is not an adventure to those who stand face to face with it. It will try simply to tell of a generation of men who, even though they may have escaped shells, were destroyed by the war."

**Goodbye to all that** by Robert Graves (1929)

Autobiography of his time as a lieutenant in France. Detailed description of trench warfare and tragic incompetence of the Battle of Loos.

**War letters to a Wife** by Rowland Feilding, (1930) frank letters from an officer at the front line.

**Up to Mametz and Beyond** by Llewelyn Wyn Griffith (1931), an account of the western Front by an officer.

**Testament of Youth** by Vera Brittain (1933)

Autobiographical account of her life around the First World War, her work as a nurse at the front and how it cruelly affected those around her.

**The War the Infantry knew** by JC Dunne (1938) account of an infantry battalion's experience on the Western front.

**To Serve them All My Days** by R.F. Delderfield (1972), a soldier returns from the trenches and recovering from the turmoil takes up teaching in a boy's school. The book focuses on the interwar years.

**The Shooting Party** (1981) by Isabel Colegate. Set over a weekend before the outbreak of war it reflects attitudes among the rich and shows the social tensions of the time.

**Regeneration** (1991), **The Eye in the Door** (1993), **The Ghost Road** (1995) by Pat Barker. A trilogy of anti-war books based on the treatment of officers for shell shock, following their fortunes until the end of the war.

**Birdsong** by Sebastian Faulkes (1993), account of a British soldier fighting in the trenches and his love affair with a French woman.

**Forgotten voices of the Great War** by Max Arthur (2002) and the Imperial War Museum Collection of interviews with people who lived through the First world war. Also dramatised for stage.

**To end all wars: A story of Protest and Patriotism 1914-1918** by Adam Hochschild (2011) looks at the era of the First World War in terms of the struggle between those who felt the war was a noble crusade and those who felt it was not worth the sacrifice of millions of lives.

**Road to War: A First World War Girl's diary 1916 - 1917** by Valerie Wilding (2008)  
A novel about a women's determination to help by driving ambulances at the Front.

**Private Peaceful** (2004) and **War Horse** (2011) by Michael Morpurgo  
Two powerful novels about the First World War from a master story teller.

**Boy soldiers of the Great War** by Richard van Emden (2006)  
Account of some of the underage recruits to the British army

**Kitchener's lost boys: From playing fields to the killing fields** by John Oakes (2009)  
Examines underage recruitment

**We Will Not Fight ... The untold story of World War One conscientious objectors** by Will Ellsworthy Jones (2008)

**Voices against War, a century of protest** by Lyn Smith (2009)

**We will not go to War: Conscientious Objection during the World Wars** by Felicity Goodall (2010)

**Telling tales about men: Conceptions about Conscientious Objectors to Military service during the First World War** by Lois Bibbings (2011)

**Catastrophe** by Max Hastings (2014) about the causes and first few months of the war.

**The war that ended peace: the Road to 1914**, by Margaret Macmillan (2014) looks at the origins of the war.

**(The Great Illusion by Norman Angell** . Originally published in 1908 as a pamphlet Europe's Optical Illusion it was published for many years as The Great Illusion. He maintained that integration of the economies of European nations would make war futile.)

## Poetry

There is a huge array of First World War Poetry that has already been covered by the School syllabus for many years . This is not the place to expand on it.

Below are the names of some important poets:

Edward Blunden  
Isaac Rosenberg  
Wilfred Owen  
Julian Grenfell  
John McCrae  
Siegfried Sassoon  
Robert Graves  
Philip Thomas  
May Wedderburn Cannan  
Ivor Gurney  
David Jones  
Rupert Brooke  
Charles Sorley  
Francis Ledwidge

Edna St Vincent Millay,  
Beverley Nichols *Cry Havoc!* a passionate cry against the arms trade (angels of death)

## Plays

***For My Country*** by Bertie Thomas (1917)

***The Pacifist*** by John Brandon (1918)

***Journey's End*** by R.C.Sherriff (1928)

***The Silver Tassie*** by Sean O'Casey (1928)

***Oh what a lovely War*** , musical by Joan Littlewood (1963)

## Music

**The Armed Man**, A mass for Peace by Karl Jenkins

**The Peacemakers** by Karl Jenkins features texts from Gandhi, Martin Luther King, The Dalai Lama, Nelson Mandela, Anna Frank and Mother Teresa, as well as words from the Bible and the Qur'an with some new text specially written by Terry Waite.

**Songs for World Peace**. A website from the United States with a list of many individual songs for peace

[http://www.planetpatriot.net/peace\\_songs.html](http://www.planetpatriot.net/peace_songs.html)

There is an extensive list of songs from the First World War and anti war songs at the end of this section.

## Films

**J'accuse** (1919) dir Abel Gance

A pacifist protest depicting death, delusion and insanity in the trenches was filmed during the war and shows real soldiers under fire.

**All Quiet on the Western Front** (1930) dir Lewis Milestone. Oscar 1929/30

Banned in Germany, Austria, Australia, France and Italy.

**La Grande illusion** (1937) dir Jean Renoir

A strong anti war statement, it is an account of two French officers in a German prisoner of war camp and their escape.

**Paths of Glory** (1957) dir Stanley Kubrik. Kirk Douglas

When French soldiers refuse to continue with an impossible attack, their superior officers decide to make an example of them by firing squad. The French Government refused to let it be shown for 18 years and it was not released in Spain until 1986, 11 years after Franco's death.

**All Quiet on the Western front** (1979) dir Delbert Mann

**For King and Country** (1964) dir Joseph Losey. Dirk Bogarde and Tom Courtenay

The sole survivor of his company, a private 'goes for a walk'. He is accused of desertion and is defended by an officer. He is found guilty and shot to give an example to others.

**Oh what a lovely war** (1969) dir Richard Attenborough. All star cast.

Based on the musical, it is satirical look at events of the First World War.

**Regeneration** (1997) dir Gillies MacKinnon

An account of the conflict affecting Siegfried Sassoon and Wilfred Owen whilst being treated for shell shock at Craiglockhart Hospital by Dr Rivers.

**The Trench** (1999) dir William Boyd

Portrays a group of teenage soldiers in the trenches on the eve of the Battle of the Somme

**A very long engagement** (2004)(French) dir Jean Pierre Jeunet. Audrey Tautou

It is a fictional tale about a young woman's desperate search for her fiancé who might have been killed in the Battle of the Somme during World War 1. Also covers treatment of soldiers accused of self mutilation.

**Britain's Boy Soldiers** (2004 TV movie) documentary about the 250,000 underage recruits to the British army in WW1

**Joyeux Noel** (Merry Christmas)(2005) dir Christian Carion

On Christmas Eve during World War I, the Germans, French and Scottish fraternize and get to know the men who live on the opposite side of a brutal war, in what became a true lesson of humanity.

**My Boy Jack** (2007 TV movie) dir Brian Kirk

Rudyard Kipling encourages his son to go to war and suffers when he is killed.

**Passchendaele** (2008) Canadian dir Paul Gross

A film about the Canadian trench warfare during the Battle for Vimy Ridge with a complex interwoven love affair.

**War Horse** (2011) dir Stephen Spielberg

A Devon youth accompanies his horse to the Front line.

**Birdsong** (2012 TV series)

Account of a British soldier fighting in the trenches and his love affair with a French woman.

### Imperial War Museum selection of books on First world war

The following ten titles are offered as providing solid, general outlines of the history of the First World War; they are all used extensively in IWM's FWW office. Most should be available as new and are currently in print; some of the other older titles can probably be sourced second hand on the internet. They are listed in alphabetical order of title, not preference! Publishing details are given for first publication; most now have paperback editions that are more accessible.

1. 1914–1918: the history of the First World War, David Stevenson (London: Allen Lane, 2004): an outstanding account of the global history of the war, analysing its politics and economics, as well as the military events in a very detailed but readable book. Now available in Penguin paperback. Use this if nothing else.
2. Forgotten Victory: the First World War, myth and realities, Gary Sheffield (London: Headline Book Publishing, 2001): a clear account of recent military history scholarship within the broader history of the war.
3. The First World War: a very short introduction, Michael Howard (Oxford: OUP, 2007): a very useful, concise (134 pages) history of the war giving a sound overall account.
4. The First World War: a new illustrated history, Hew Strachan (London: Simon & Schuster Ltd, 2003): an excellent, clear account of the war within its global context. Very readable. Now available in Pocket Books paperback.
5. The Great War, Ian F W Beckett (London: Longman, 2007): a first rate history covering the context, events and legacy of the war.
6. The Great War: myth and memory, Dan Todman (London: Hambledon, 2006): a trenchant analysis of the memory and legacy of the war within its historical context.
7. The Imperial War Museum Book of the First World War, Malcolm Brown (London: Sidgwick & Jackson, 1991): a general, thematic overview of the war based on IWM's archive collections.
8. The Imperial War Museum Book of the Western Front, Malcolm Brown (London: Sidgwick & Jackson, 1993): an account of the war from the soldier's perspective using contemporary archive accounts from the IWM, providing a useful wealth of personal experience. Republished in paperback by Pan in 2001.
9. The Myriad Faces of War: Britain and the Great War, 1914–1918, Trevor Wilson (Cambridge: Polity Press, 1986): a detailed history of the war written by one of Australia's leading military historians giving a useful context for the war's events within British history. Republished by Faber in 2010.
10. Tommy: the British soldier on the Western Front, 1914–1918, Richard Holmes (London: Harper Collins, 2004): an engaging description of the war from the perspective of the ordinary British soldier.

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Also

The Guns of August (1962) by Barbara Tuchman (also known as 'August 1914') describes the outbreak and first month of the war.

## Web based Resources

The **Imperial War Museum** <http://www.iwm.org.uk> has an enormous amount of material. It is worth browsing the site. In particular it has thousands of photographs. However here seems to be a paucity of images that reflect the devastation of war. There are almost no images of dead soldiers!! (let alone limbs and dismembered bodies). There was censorship in the war (understandable) which has carried onto the present era.

Lives of the First World War <https://livesofthefirstworldwar.org> is a website hoping to collect together details of the 8 million people who served in the First World War.

There is a portal to 90,000 images but it is difficult to access photos that one wants to view <http://www.iwm.org.uk/collections/search>

There are many of the paintings of the war artists. <http://www.iwmprints.org.uk/category/17027/fine-art/first-world-war>

There is a collection of IWM paintings from both wars under:

<https://www.google.com/culturalinstitute/collection/imperial-war-museums?projectId=art-project>

There is an interesting page of art under

<http://www.nicholashedges.co.uk/image-gallery/ww1.php>

The Spartacus website provides useful insight to censorship over the period

<http://educationforum.ipbhost.com/index.php?showtopic=8670>

The **Spartacus** website <http://spartacus-educational.com> run by John Simkin is a veritable treasure trove of material about the First World War

<http://spartacus-educational.com/FWW.htm>

There is an interesting Dutch site <http://www.greatwar.nl> that has an amazing collection of photos and good comments beside them. It has one of the most extensive collection of WW1 photos.

The anti war campaigner Ernst Friedrich produced a photobook War against War which contains horrific photographs of the destruction of the

human body by warfare. This has been reprinted. He also founded the Anti War Museum in Berlin. <http://craigritchie.co.uk/archives/2581>

<http://www.endthiswar.org/war.htm>

<http://www.anti-kriegs-museum.de/english/history.html>

American website showing an alternative view full of references and links

<http://www.pbs.org/greatwar/chapters/index.html>

<http://www.pbs.org/greatwar/resources>

The work of women doctors in the First World war is reviewed under

<http://womanandhersphere.com/2014/05/06/women-and-the-first-world-war-the-work-of-women-doctors/>

Dr Mabel Ramsay was a gynaecological surgeon in Plymouth who campaigned vigorously for the National Union of Woman's Suffrage Society. She joined the Woman's Imperial Service League unit that went to Belgium in September 1914. In 1915 she worked at Chateau Tourlaville Hospital, Cherbourg then moved back to Plymouth to work in a military hospital until the end of the war.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p02nb2bl>

**The Peace Pledge Union** (PPU) has an extensive website about Conscientious Objectors and pacifism.

<http://www.ppu.org.uk/coproject/index.html>

<http://www.ppu.org.uk/indexstuffnew/menno.html>

<http://www.ppu.org.uk/pacifism/index.html>

## Anti War Songs

General peace
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- "10th Man Down" — Nightwish (2001)
- "A Little Good News" — Anne Murray (1983)
- "All These Things That I've Done" — The Killers (2004)
- "Amani" — Beyond (1991)
- "Angel's Punishment" — Lacuna Coil (2002)
- "Anti-War Dub" — Digital Mystikz (2006)
- "Armalite Rifle" — Gang of Four (1978)
- "Army Dreamers" — Kate Bush (1980)
- "Billy Don't Be a Hero" — Paper Lace (1974)
- "Blowin' in the Wind" — Bob Dylan (1963)
- "Boom!" — System Of A Down (2003)
- "Brothers in Arms" — Dire Straits (1985)
- "Captured" — Malevolent Creation (2004)
- "Civil War" — Guns N' Roses (1990)
- "Classified 1A" — Cher (1971)
- "The Crest - The Men They Couldn't Hang (1986)
- "Crying Shame"- Jack Johnson (2005)
- "Dear Darcy" - Joshua James (2006)
- "Le Déserteur" — Boris Vian (1954)
- "Disposable Heroes" — Metallica (1988)
- "The Dogs of War" — Pink Floyd (1987)
- "Europa" — Globus
- "The Fiddle and the Drum" — Joni Mitchell (1969), A Perfect Circle (2004)
- "The Field of Crying" - The Gazette (2009)
- "Fields of Mars" - Bad Religion (2007)
- "Fight War Not Wars" — Crass (1978)
- "From a Distance" — Nanci Griffith (1987)
- "The General" — Dispatch (1998)
- "The Lost Children" — Michael Jackson (2001)
- "The Ghost Of You" — My Chemical Romance (2005)
- "G.I. Blues" — Carter The Unstoppable Sex Machine (2009)
- "Gimme Peace" — Tom T. Hall (1978)
- "Give Me Love (Give Me Peace On Earth)" — George Harrison (1973)
- "Give Peace A Chance" — Plastic Ono Band, John Lennon (1969)
- "Gods Of War" — Def Leppard (1987)



"Going Down In Flames" — Three Doors Down (2002)  
"The Gunner's Dream" - Pink Floyd (1983)  
"La Guerre de 14-18" — Georges Brassens (1962)  
"Gunslinger" — Avenged Sevenfold  
"Half A World Away" — Joe Cerisano (2010)  
"Handlebars" — Flobots (2008)  
"Harold Land" — Yes (1969)  
"Happy Xmas (War Is Over)" — John Lennon (1971)  
"Harmony" — Never Shout Never (2010)  
"Heal The World" — Michael Jackson (1991)  
"Hero Of War" — Rise Against (2008)  
"Heroes and Martyrs" - Bad Religion (2007)  
"HIStory" — Michael Jackson (1995)  
"Hymn For The Dead" — Anti-Flag (2006)  
"I Ain't Marching Anymore" — Phil Ochs (1965)  
"I Don't Want To Be A Hero" — Johnny Hates Jazz (1987)  
"I Drive Your Truck" — Lee Brice (2012)  
"I Hope You Get Drafted" — The Dicks (1984)  
"I Love A Man In A Uniform" — Gang of Four (1982)  
"I Wish You Peace" — the Eagles (1975)  
"If I Can Dream" — Elvis Presley (1967)  
"Il Nostro Sogno (Our Dream)" — Alfio (2006)  
"Imagine" — John Lennon (1971)  
"In Our Garden" — Naomi Shemer (1995)  
"Jet Fighter" — Butthole Surfers (2001)  
"John Brown" — Bob Dylan (1962)  
"Just A Dream" — Carrie Underwood (2007)  
"Killing in the Name" — Rage Against The Machine (1992)  
"Lay Down Your Arms" — Doron Levinson (1973)  
"Lay Down Your Guns" — Emerson, Lake & Powell (1986)  
"Luglio, Agosto, Settembre (Nero)" — Area (1973)  
"Last Chance" — Shooting Star (1980)  
"Last Night I Had the Strangest Dream" — Ed McCurdy (1950)  
"Life" — Elvis Presley (1971)  
"Like Toy Soldiers" - Eminem  
"Living With War" — Neil Young (2006)  
"Love Can Build A Bridge" — the Judds (1990)  
"Love Train" — The O'Jays (1973)  
"Ma Avarech (With What Shall I bless Him)" -- Rachel Shapira/Yair Rosenblum (1967)

"Major General Despair" — Crass (1982)  
"Man of War" — The Jacksons (1977)  
"March With Me" — Montserrat Caballé and Vangelis (1997)  
"Mandatory Suicide" — Slayer (1989)  
"La Marseillaise" — Léo Ferré (1967)  
"Masters of War" — Bob Dylan (1963)  
"Mercenary Song" — Steve Earle (1997)  
"M.I.A." — Avenged Sevenfold (2005)  
"Military Madness" — Graham Nash (1971)  
"Miss guéguerre" — Léo Ferré (1961)  
"Mr. President" — Janelle Monáe (2008)  
"Never Kill Another Man" — the Steve Miller Band (1970)  
"No Fuckin' War" — The Dicks (1984)  
"No More Trouble" — Bob Marley & The Wailers (1978)  
"One Day" — Matisyahu (2009)  
"One More Parade" — Phil Ochs  
"One Tin Soldier" — Original Caste (1969)  
"Pacific Blues" — Léo Ferré (1961)  
"Part III" — Bad Religion (1982)  
"Part IV (The Index Fossil)" — Bad Religion (1988)  
"Peace" — Roger Lee Hall (1981)  
"Peace Sells" — Megadeth (1986)  
"Peace Train" — Cat Stevens (1971)  
"Peace Will Come" — Tom Paxton (1977)  
"Peace Will Come (According To Plan)" — Melanie Safka (1970)  
"Pick Up The Bones" — Alice Cooper (2000)  
"Pipes Of Peace" — Paul McCartney (1982)  
"Power & the Glory" — Saxon (1983)  
"Potshot Heard 'Round The World" — Dead Kennedys (1986)  
"Prayer For Peace" — Perry Como (1958)  
"Prisoners of War" — Funker Vogt  
"Protocol" — Gordon Lightfoot (1976)  
"Rainbow Stew" — Merle Haggard (1981)  
"Rambozo The Clown" — Dead Kennedys (1986)  
"Ratziti Sheteda" — Uzi Hitman (1979)  
"Regardez-les" — Léo Ferré (1961)  
"Road To Joy" — Bright Eyes (2005)  
"Rooster" — Alice In Chains (1993)  
"Saraba" — The Gazette (2004)

"Sacrifice" — Motörhead (1995)  
"Semper Fi" — John Gorka (1991)  
"Shir LaShalom" — Lehakat HaNachal (1970)  
"Short Memory" — Midnight Oil (1982)  
"Soldiers" — ABBA (1981)  
"The Soldier Has Come Home" — Barry Sadler (1966)  
"Soldier Blue" — Buffy Sainte-Marie (1971)  
"Soldier's Poem" — Muse (2006)  
"Soldier Side" — System Of A Down (2005)  
"Some Mother's Son" — The Kinks (1969)  
"Still Spinning Shrapnel" — Skyclad (1995)  
"Stop The War" — Sugar Blue (2010)  
"Stupid, Stupid War" — Dirty Rotten Imbeciles  
"Survivor's Guilt" — Rise Against  
"Systematic Execution" — Malevolent Creation (1992)  
"Take No Prisoners" — Megadeth (1990)  
"Tank" — The Stranglers (1978)  
"There but for Fortune - Phil Ochs (1964)  
"This is War" — Thirty Seconds to Mars (2009)  
"'Til The Last Shot's Fired" — Trace Adkins (2009)  
"Tin Soldiers" — Stiff Little Fingers (1980)  
"Trigger Happy Hands" - Placebo (2010)  
"Trooper's Lament" — Barry Sadler (1966)  
"Turn! Turn! Turn!" — Pete Seeger (1959)  
"Ungena Za Ulimwengu (Unite The World)" — The Temptations (1971)  
"Universal Soldier" — Buffy Sainte-Marie (1964)  
"Unknown Soldier" — Breaking Benjamin (2006)  
"Us and Them" - Pink Floyd (1973)  
"Véto de Dieu" — Alpha Blondy (1991)  
"Waiting On The World To Change" — John Mayer (2006)  
"Walked in Line" — Joy Division (1979)  
"War" — Bob Marley & The Wailers (1976)  
"War" — The Tengelsens (2010)  
"War?" — System Of A Down (1998)  
"War Baby" — Mick Jagger (1987)  
"War Ensemble" — Slayer (1990)  
"War Is Not A Game" — Bill Durston (2005)  
"War Pigs" — Black Sabbath (1970)  
"The War Song" — Culture Club (1984)

"War Song" — Neil Young and Graham Nash (1972)  
"War Sucks, Let's Party!" — Anti-Flag (2006)  
"Wardance" — Killing Joke (1980)  
"Wargasm" — L7 (1992)  
"Warrior" — Steve Earle (2004)  
"Washington Bullets" — The Clash (1980)  
"Wasted Life" — Stiff Little Fingers (1978)  
"We Are Here to Change the World" — Michael Jackson (2004)  
"We Don't Need the Army" — Slime (1981)  
"We're Not Gonna Take it" — Twisted Sister (1984)  
"We've Got Nothing But Love to Prove" — Faith Hill (2005)  
"We've Had Enough" — Michael Jackson (2004)  
"What If We All Stopped Paying Taxes" — Sharon Jones & The Dap Kings (2002)  
"What More Can I Give" — Michael Jackson (2001)  
"What's Going On" — Marvin Gaye (1971)  
"What's Left of the Flag" — Flogging Molly (2002)  
"When We Stand Together" — Nickelback (2011)  
"When The Children Cry" — White Lion (1989)  
"Where Have All The Flowers Gone?" — Pete Seeger (1961)  
"Where Is The Love?" — The Black Eyed Peas (2003)  
"White Flag Warrior"- Flobots (2010)  
"Who's Gonna Win the War?" — Hawkwind (1980)  
"With God On Our Side" — Bob Dylan (1964)  
"World War" — Yellowman (2004)  
"Worthless War" - the GazettE (2006)  
"Wozu sind Kriege da?" — Udo Lindenberg (1981)  
"The Yard Went On Forever" — Richard Harris (1969)

## American Civil War

"Abraham Lincoln" - Clutch (2009)  
"Accidental Racist" - Brad Paisley (featuring L.L. Cool J) (2013)  
"Arkansas Grass" - Axiom (1969)  
"Ben McCullough" - Steve Earle (1997)  
"The Big Battle" - Johnny Cash (1962)  
"Billy, Don't Be A Hero" - Paper Lace (1974)  
"Charleston Town" - Rob Lincoln (1984)  
"The Devil to Pay" - Iced Earth (2004)  
"Gettysburg" - The Brandos (1987)

"God Bless Robert E. Lee" - Johnny Cash (1983)  
"In The Hills Of Shiloh" - Shel Silverstein (1963)  
"Johnny Reb" - Johnny Horton (1959)  
"The Klan" - Richie Havens (1968)  
"Lone Pine Hill" - Justin Townes Earle (2008)  
"The Night They Drove Old Dixie Down" - The Band (1969)  
"Rebel Soldier" - Waylon Jennings (1991)  
"Shiloh Town" - Tim Hardin  
"Silent Reign Of Heroes" - Molly Hatchet (1998)  
"The Southland's Bleeding" - Waylon Jennings (1978)  
"Tears of God" - Josh Turner  
"Two Soldiers" - Bob Dylan (1993)

## World War I

"1916" - Motörhead (1991)  
"1917" - Linda Ronstadt (1999)  
"The Accrington Pals" - Mike Harding (1984)  
"All Quiet on the Western Front" - Elton John (1982)  
"All Together Now" - The Farm (1990)  
"And The Band Played Waltzing Matilda" - Eric Bogle (1972)  
"Butcher's Tale (Western Front 1914)" - The Zombies (1968)  
"Cenotaph" - This Heat (1981)  
"Children's Crusade" - Sting (1985)  
"Christmas 1914" – [Mike Harding\[1\]](#) (1977)  
"Christmas in the Trenches" – John McCutcheon (1984)  
"Don't Sign Up For War" - Alistair Hulett and Dave Swarbrick  
"Field Of Poppies" - Dave Gwyther (2007)  
"Harry Farr" - Stray (2009)  
"Harry Patch (In Memory Of)" – Radiohead (2009)  
"I Didn't Raise My Boy To Be a Soldier" - Peerless Quartet (1914)  
"It Could Happen Again" - Collin Raye (1996)  
"No Man's Land" aka "Green Fields of France" – Eric Bogle (1976)  
"Northwinds" - The Stranglers (1984)  
"One" – Metallica (1988)  
"Paschendale" – Iron Maiden (2003)  
"The Red Clydesiders" - Alistair Hulett and Dave Swarbrick  
"Scream Aim Fire" - Bullet For My Valentine (2007)  
"Some Mother's Son" - The Kinks (1969)

"Snoopy's Christmas - The Royal Guardsmen (1967)  
"The Soldier's Sweetheart" - Jimmy Rodgers (1927)  
"Stay Down Here Where You Belong" - Irving Berlin (1914)  
"Yes Sir, No Sir" - The Kinks (1969)

### Mexican-American War

"Once to Every Man and Nation" – James R Lowell (1845)

### Spanish Civil War

"1936" – Sin Dios (1997)  
"If You Tolerate This Your Children Will Be Next" – Manic Street Preachers (1998)  
"For Whom the Bell Tolls" - Metallica (1985)  
"Last Lincoln Vet" - Lev Svetek-Zorin (2010)  
"Sketches of Spain" – The Nits (1983)  
"Viva La Quinta Brigada" - Christy Moore (1983)

### Spanish-American War

"Galveston" - Glen Campbell (1969)  
"Lequi of the National Guard" - Bob Connely (1975)  
"The Battleship Maine" - Mary C. Mann (1926) New Lost City Ramblers (1961)

### American Indian Wars

"Apache Tears" - Johnny Cash (1964)  
"Buffalo Soldier" - Bob Marley (1980)  
"Bury My Heart at Wounded Knee" - Walela (1997)  
"Calico Indians" - Rasputina about the Anti-rent wars (2010)  
"Castles Made of Sand" - Jimi Hendrix (1967)  
"Cherokee" - Europe (1986)  
"Comanche (The Brave Horse)" - Johnny Horton (1960)  
"Creek Mary's Blood" - Nightwish (2004)  
"Custer Died for Your Sins" - Floyd Westerman (1969)  
"Custer Got His... (Anti-Custer Song)" - S-cuk Gogs (2007)  
"Freedom" - Rage Against the Machine (1992)  
"Indians" - Anthrax  
"Mr.Custer" - Larry Verne (1960)  
"Noble Indian Chief" - Hand Full of Peter (2006)  
"Run To the Hills" - Iron Maiden (1982)  
"Soldier Blue" - Buffy Sainte-Marie (1971)

"Stars and Stripes" - Anti Flag  
"Wampum Prayer" - Tori Amos (2002)  
"We Were All Wounded At Wounded Knee" - Redbone (1973)  
"White Man" - Queen (1976)

## World War II

"170" - Kaizer's Orchestra (2001)  
"Aces High" - Iron Maiden (1984)  
"Stalingrad" - Accept (2012)  
"Angel of Death" - Slayer (1986)  
"Another Brick in the Wall (Part 1)" - Pink Floyd (1979)  
"At Mail Call Today" - Gene Autry (1945)  
"Attero Dominatus" - Sabaton (2006)  
"Auschwitz" - Francesco Guccini  
"The Ballad of Ira Hayes" - Johnny Cash (1964)  
"Blood on the Risers" - World War II paratrooper song  
"Bring the Boys Back Home" – Pink Floyd (1979)  
"Corporal Clegg" - Pink Floyd (1968)  
"Do the Mussolini (Headkick)" - Cabaret Voltaire (1978)  
"Enola Gay" - Orchestral Manoeuvres in the Dark (1980)  
"Goodbye Blue Sky" – Pink Floyd (1979)  
"Johnny Come Lately" - Steve Earle (1988)  
"Kenji" - Fort Minor (2005)  
"Laybo" – Rafi Weinstock (1995)  
"Let Me Live" - Angel Dust (2000)  
"The Longest Day" - Iron Maiden (2006)  
"Mr. Churchill Says" - The Kinks (1969)  
"Nagasaki Nightmare" – Crass (1981)  
"No More War" - Heidi Little (2005)  
"Northwinds" - The Stranglers (1984)  
"Primo Victoria" - Sabaton (2005)  
"Reality Asylum" – Crass (1979)  
"Red Sector A" - Rush (1984)  
"Semper Fi" - John Gorka (1991)  
"Soldiers Last Letter" - Ernest Tubb (1944)  
"Stalingrad" - Nightingale (2005)  
"Sullivan" – Caroline's Spine (1993)  
"Thank You, Mr Churchill" - Peter Frampton (2010)

"The Aftermath" Iron Maiden (1995)  
"The War" - Angels and Airwaves (2005)  
"War is Hell (On the Homefront Too)" - T.G. Sheppard (1982)  
"When the Tigers Broke Free" – Pink Floyd (1982)

## Korean War

"The Door" - George Jones (1974)  
"Freedom" - Rob Lincoln (1991)  
"I Bombed Korea" - Cake (1994)  
"Jutlandia" - Kim Larsen (1979)  
"Korea Blues" - J.B. Lenoir (1970)  
"Missing In Action" - Ernest Tubb (1952)  
"Roll Call" - Johnny Cash (1967)  
"Suicide Is Painless" - Johnny Mandel from the film, M\*A\*S\*H (1970)

## Vietnam War

"8th of November" - Big and Rich (2006)  
"19" – Paul Hardcastle (1985)  
"2 + 2 = 4" – Bob Seger System (1968)  
"21st Century Schizoid Man" – King Crimson (1969)  
"50,000 Names" - George Jones (2001)  
"Alice's Restaurant Massacree" – Arlo Guthrie (1967)  
"All You Need Is Love" - The Beatles (1967)  
"American Woman" – The Guess Who (1970)  
"Back in Vietnam" – Lenny Kravitz  
"Ball of Confusion (That's What the World Is Today)" – The Temptations (1970)  
"Ballad of Ho Chi Minh" Ewan MacColl (1958)  
"Ballad of Penny Evans" - Steve Goodman (1971)  
"Baba O'Riley" - The Who (1971)  
"The Big Parade" - 10,000 Maniacs (1989)  
"Big Time In The Jungle" - Old Crow Medicine Show (2004)  
"Billy Don't Be a Hero" – Paper Lace (1974)  
"Black Steel in the Hour of Chaos" – Public Enemy (1989)  
"Born in the USA" – Bruce Springsteen (1984)  
"Bring The Boys Home" – Freda Payne (1971)  
"Bring Them Home" – Pete Seeger (1966)  
"Business Goes on as Usual" – Chad Mitchell Trio (1965)  
"Calley" - Dog Faced Hermans (1994)



"Charlie Don't Surf" – The Clash (1980)  
"Child in Time" - Deep Purple (1970)  
"Commando" - The Ramones (1977)  
"Copperhead Road" - Steve Earle (1988)  
"Daddy Won't Be Home Anymore" - Dolly Parton (1988)  
"Daniel" - Elton John (1973)  
"Dear Uncle Sam" - Loretta Lynn (1965)  
"Disk of Sun" Ewan MacColl (1969)  
"Duty Called" - Greg Wilson (2000)  
"Eve of Destruction" - Barry McGuire and P.F. Sloan (1965)  
"Fixin to Die Rag" Country Joe McDonald (1967)  
"Fortunate Son" – Creedence Clearwater Revival (1969)  
"The Grave" – Don McLean (1971)  
"Galveston" - Glen Campbell (1969)  
"Galveston Bay" - Bruce Springsteen (1995)  
"Gimme Shelter" - Rolling Stones (1969)  
"The Girl Next Door" - Country Joe MacDonald (1984)  
"Give Peace a Chance" - The Plastic Ono Band  
"Goodbye to Vietnam" - Kitty Hawkins (1965)  
"Goodnight Saigon" - Billy Joel (1981)  
"The Great Compromise" - John Prine (1972)  
"Guns, Guns, Guns" – The Guess Who (1972)[citation needed]  
"Hallelujah Day" by Jackson 5 (1973)[citation needed]  
"Happy Xmas (War Is Over)" – John Lennon & Yoko Ono/The Plastic Ono Band (1971)  
"Harvest for the World" – The Isley Brothers (1976)  
"Hello Vietnam" - Johnnie Wright (1965)  
"I Ain't Marching Anymore" – Phil Ochs (1965)  
"I Am a Lucky One" - Barry Sadler (1966)  
"I Don't Wanna Go To Vietnam" – John Lee Hooker (1968)  
"I-Feel-Like-I'm-Fixin'-To-Die Rag" – Country Joe and the Fish (1967)  
"I have seen the rain" - Pink  
"I Should Be Proud" – Martha and the Vandellas (1970)  
"I Was Only Nineteen (A Walk in the Light Green)" – Redgum (1983)  
"I'm Your Captain (Closer to Home)" - Grand Funk Railroad (1970)  
"In The Army Now" – Status Quo (1986)  
"Inoculated City" – The Clash (1982)  
"Into The Fire" - Sabaton (2005)  
"It Better End Soon" - Chicago (1970)  
"It's All Happening Now" - Peggy Seeger (1968)

"Jackknife Johnny" - Alice Cooper (1978)  
"Jimmy Newman" – Tom Paxton (1969)  
"Jimmy's Road" - Willie Nelson (1965)  
"Johnny Come Lately" - Steve Earle (1988)  
"Kay" — John Wesley Ryles (1968)[\[2\]](#)[\[3\]](#)  
"Kent State Massacre" - Jack Warshaw (1970)  
"Khe Sanh" - Cold Chisel (1978)  
"Kill for Peace" – The Fugs (1966)  
"Kill Your Sons" - Lou Reed (1970)  
"Kim's Nightmare" - Miss Saigon Soundtrack (1989)  
"Last Train to Nuremberg" – Pete Seeger (1970)  
"Lay Down (Candles In The Rain)" – Melanie Safka (1970)  
"Letters From Vietnam" - Barry Sadler (1966)  
"Live Those Songs Again" - Kenny Chesney (2002)  
"Lost in the Flood" - Bruce Springsteen (1973)  
"Lyndon Johnson Told The Nation" – Tom Paxton (1965)  
"Machine Gun" - Jimi Hendrix (1970)  
"Mama Bake a Pie (Daddy Kill a Chicken)" - Tom T. Hall (1970)  
"Man in Black" - Johnny Cash (1971)  
"March to the Witch's Castle" - Funkadelic (1973)  
"Moratorium" - Buffy Sainte-Marie (1971)  
"More Than a Name on a Wall" - The Statler Brothers (1989)  
"My Son John" – Tom Paxton (1966)  
"One More Parade" - Phil Ochs  
"Orange Crush" – R.E.M. (1988)  
"Old Hippie" - The Bellamy Brothers (1985)  
"Path of Glory" - Petula Clark (1967)  
"People, Let's Stop the War" – Grand Funk Railroad (1971)  
"Pull Out The Pin" – Kate Bush (1982)  
"Readjustment Blues" - John Denver (1972)  
"Requiem for the Masses" - The Association (1967)  
"Rooster" - Alice in Chains  
"Running Gun Blues" – David Bowie (1970)  
"Saigon Bride" – Joan Baez (1967)  
"Salute to the Nurses" - Barry Sadler (1966)  
"Sam Stone" – John Prine (1971)  
"Shut Out the Light" - Bruce Springsteen (1984)  
"Simple Song of Freedom" – Bobby Darin (1968)  
"Singing in Vietnam Talking Blues" - Johnny Cash 1971

"Sky Pilot" – Eric Burdon and The Animals (1968)  
"Smiley" - Ronnie Burns (1969)  
"Something to Believe In" - Poison (1990)  
"Song for the Dead" - Randy Newman 1983  
"Still in Saigon" - the Charlie Daniels Band (1982)  
"Stoned Love" – The Supremes (1970)  
"Straight to Hell" – The Clash (1982)  
"Sunshine" - Jonathan Edwards (1971)  
"Super Bird" - Country Joe and the Fish (1967)  
"Sweet Cherry Wine" - Tommy James and the Shondells (1969)  
"Talkin' Vietnam" – Phil Ochs (1964)  
"Talking Vietnam Potluck Blues" – Tom Paxton (1968)  
"That Old Porch Swing" - Eddy Arnold (2005)  
"The Soldier Has Come Home" - Barry Sadler (1966)  
"The War Drags On" - Donovan (1965)  
"This Ain't Nothing" - Craig Morgan (2010)  
"This Is My Rifle" - Mark Maysey (1999)  
"Three-Five-Zero-Zero" - from the musical, Hair (1968)  
"To Susan on the West Coast Waiting" - Donovan (1969)  
"Travelin' Soldier" – Dixie Chicks (2002)  
"Uncommon Valor: A Vietnam Story" – Jedi Mind Tricks (2006)  
"Unknown Soldier" – The Doors (1968)  
"Vietcong Blues" - Junior Wells (1966)  
"Vietnam" – Phil Ochs (1962)  
"Vietnam" – Jimmy Cliff (1970)  
"Vietnamerica" - The Stranglers (1981)  
"Vietnam Blues" - Kris Kristofferson (1966)  
"Vietnam Glam" - Indochine (1993)  
"Waist Deep in the Big Muddy" - Pete Seeger (1967)  
"The Wall" - Bruce Springsteen (2003)  
"War" - Edwin Starr (1970)  
"War Games" - the Monkees (1968)  
"The War Is Over" - Phil Ochs (1968)  
"War Movie" - Jefferson Airplane (1971)  
"War Pigs" – Black Sabbath (1971)  
"Wasted Life" – Stiff Little Fingers (1978)  
"We Didn't Know" - Tom Paxton (1965)  
"What Did You Learn in School Today?" Tom Paxton (1964)  
"What's Going On" – Marvin Gaye (1971)

"Where Are You Now, My Son?" – Joan Baez (1973)  
"White Boots Marching In A Yellow Land" – Phil Ochs (1968)  
"Wild Irish Rose" - George Jones (1998)  
"Wooden Ships" – Crosby, Stills & Nash and Jefferson Airplane (1969)  
"World of Trouble" - Molly Hatchet (1998)  
"Your Flag Decal Won't Get You Into Heaven Anymore" - John Prine (1971)

### Dominican Republic

"The Marines Have Landed on the Shores of Santo Domingo" - Phil Ochs (1966)

### The Irish "Troubles"

"78 RPM" - Stiff Little Fingers (1978)  
"Alternative Ulster" – Stiff Little Fingers (1978)  
"Belfast Child" - Simple Minds (1989)  
"Bloody Sunday" - Stiff Little Fingers (1979)  
"Corridor Or Cells" - Test Dept (1986)  
"Damned to Be Free" - Bad Religion (1982)  
"Drunken Lullabies" - Flogging Molly (2002)  
"Each Dollar A Bullet" - Stiff Little Fingers (1991)  
"Ether" – Gang of Four (1979)  
"Fly the Flag" – Stiff Little Fingers (1980)  
"Fuck Religion" - The Exploited (1990)  
"Get Your Dead Hand Off My Shoulder" - Therapy? (2012)  
"Give Ireland Back to the Irish" – Paul McCartney and Wings (1972)  
"Heal This Land" - Maire Brennan (1998)  
"Holy Wars...The Punishment Due" - Megadeth (1990)  
"If They Come in the Morning" aka "No Time for Love" Jack Warshaw (1976)  
"My Youngest Son Came Home Today" – Eric Bogle (1993)  
"No More of That" - Stiff Little Fingers (1979)  
"Oliver's Army" - Elvis Costello and the Attractions (1979)  
"Out in the Fields" - Gary Moore and Phil Lynott (1985)  
"The Island" - Paul Brady  
"The Luck of the Irish" – John Lennon (1972)  
"Peace on Earth" – U2 (2000)  
"State of Emergency" - Stiff Little Fingers (1979)  
"Streets of Sorrow/Birmingham Six" – The Pogues (1988)  
"Sunday Bloody Sunday" – U2 (1983)  
"This is Not Your Country" - Morrissey (1997)

"Wasted Life" - Stiff Little Fingers (1978)

"White Noise" - Stiff Little Fingers (1979)

"Zombie" – The Cranberries (1994)

### Anti-conscription

"Alice's Restaurant Massacree" - Arlo Guthrie (1967)

"All I Want" - The Offspring (1997)

"Bad Company" - Bad Company" (1974)

"Black Steel in the Hour of Chaos" – Public Enemy (1989)

"B.Y.O.B." - System of a Down (2005)

"The Call Up" – The Clash (1980)

"Draft Dodger Rag" – Phil Ochs (1965)

"Draft Morning" – The Byrds (1967)

"Draft Resister" – Steppenwolf (1969)

"G.I. Blues" - Elvis Presley (1960)

"I Don't Wanna Get Drafted" - Frank Zappa (1981)

"Kill the President" – The Offspring (1989)

"Know Your Enemy" - Angry Mic (2008)

"Legion of Stoopid" - Machinae Supremacy (2004)

"My Uncle" - The Flying Burrito Brothers (1969)

"One Man Rock and Roll Band" - Roy Harper (1971)

"Phone Call from Leavenworth" - Chris Whitley (1991)

"Refuse/Resist" – Sepultura (1994)

"Sgt Baker" - Primus (1991)

"Square Dance" - Eminem (2002)

"Take it Back"- Cream

"They Were All Out of Step but Jim" - Irving Berlin (1918)

"This Is The Army, Mr. Jones" - Irving Berlin (1942)

"War Party" - Eddy Grant (1982)

"War/No More War" - Heidi Little/LIGHT/Dreams of Grandeur (2005–2010)

### Cold War/Nuclear Annihilation

"1983... (A Merman I Should Turn to Be)" - The Jimi Hendrix Experience (1968)

"1999" - Prince (1982)

"2 Minutes to Midnight" – Iron Maiden (1984)

"20 Tons of TNT" – Flanders and Swann

"99 Luftballons" and "99 Red Balloons" – Nena (1983)

"Atomic Garden" - Bad Religion (1992)

"Balls to the Wall" - Accept (1983)  
"Survival of the Fittest" - Slave Raider (1986)  
"Battalions of Fear" - Blind Guardian (1988)  
"Big Joe Blues" - Pete Seeger (2007)  
"Blackened" – Metallica (1988)  
"Black Planet" - The Sisters of Mercy (1985)  
"Brighter than a Thousand Suns" - Iron Maiden (2006)  
"Breathing" - Kate Bush (1980)  
"Burning in the Skies" - Linkin Park (2010)  
"Children of the Grave" – Black Sabbath (1971)  
"Cold War" – Funker Vogt (2000)  
"Come Away Melinda" - Harry Belafonte  
"Curfew" - The Stranglers (1978)  
"Destruction Preventer" - Sonata Arctica (1999)  
"Dumb All Over" - Frank Zappa (1981)  
"Eagle Fly Free" – Helloween (1988)  
"East at Easter" - Simple Minds (1983)  
"Electric Funeral" - Black Sabbath (1970)  
"Eve of Destruction" – P.F. Sloan / Barry McGuire (1965)  
"Fuel the Hate" - Soulfly (2005)  
"Fight Fire with Fire" – Metallica (1984)  
"Fire in the Sky" - Saxon (1981)  
"Future Legend"/"Diamond Dogs" - David Bowie (1974)  
"Hiroshima" - Wishful Thinking (1971)  
"I Come and Stand at Every Door" (based on a poem by Nazım Hikmet) – Pete Seeger (1962); The Byrds (1966)  
"It only takes two to tango" - The Stranglers (1981)  
"It's a Mistake" – Men at Work (1983)  
"Killer of Giants" – Ozzy Osbourne (1986)  
"Killing Fields" - Scanner (1988)  
"Land of Confusion" – Genesis (1986)  
"Leningrad" - Billy Joel (1989)  
"Let Us Begin" - John Denver with Alexander Gradsky (1986)  
"Manhattan Project" - Rush (1985)  
"Minutes to Midnight" - Midnight Oil (1984)  
"New Year's Day" - U2 (1983)  
"No Nuclear War" — Peter Tosh (1987)  
"Nuclear Winter" – Funker Vogt (2000)  
"Paint Your Windows White" - Alien Stash Tin (2011)

"Part IV (The Index Fossil)" - Bad Religion (1988)  
"People are People" - Depeche Mode (1984)  
"Pre-War America" – The Beatnigs (1988)  
"Red Skies" - The Fixx (1982)  
"Rival Leaders" - The Exploited (1983)  
"Russians" – Sting (1985)  
"Rust in Peace" – Megadeth (1990)  
"Seconds" - U2 (1983)  
"Set the World Afire" - Megadeth (1988)  
"So Long, Mom (A Song for World War III)" - Tom Lehrer  
"Standing in the Dark" - Platinum Blonde (1983)  
"Stop the World" - The Clash (1980)  
"Surfin' USSR" - Ray Stevens (1988)  
"Thank God For the Bomb" - Ozzy Osbourne (1986)  
"The American" - Simple Minds (1991)  
"The Future's So Bright, I Gotta Wear Shades" - Timbuk3 (1986)  
"They've Got a Bomb" – Crass (1979)  
"Two Suns in the Sunset" – Pink Floyd (1983)  
"Two Tribes" – Frankie Goes to Hollywood (1984)  
"US Forces" - Midnight Oil (1982)  
"Who's Next?" - Tom Lehrer  
"Воля и Разум" ("Will and Reason") - Aria / Master (1985)  
"When Two Worlds Collide" - Simple Minds (1981)  
"Wind of Change" – Scorpions (1990)  
"Radio K.A.O.S." - Roger Waters (1987)

### Philippine–American War

"The Battle Hymn of the Republic, Updated" - Mark Twain (1901)

### Falklands War

"Another Man's Cause" – The Levellers (1992)  
"Como Estais Amigos" – Iron Maiden (1998)  
"Get Your Filthy Hands off My Desert" – Pink Floyd (1983)  
"Forgotten Sons" – Marillion (1983)  
"How Does It Feel (To Be The Mother Of A Thousand Dead)?" – Crass (1982)  
"I Love a Man in Uniform" - Gang of Four (1982)  
"Is That What You Fought the War For?" - Stiff Little Fingers (1982)  
"Island of No Return" - Billy Bragg (1984)

"Let's Start a War - The Exploited (1983)  
"Mentioned In Dispatches" - Television Personalities (1985)  
"The Post War Dream" – Pink Floyd (1983)  
"Sheep Farming in the Falklands" – Crass (1982)  
"Shipbuilding" – Elvis Costello and the Attractions (1983)  
"Spirit of the Falklands" – New Model Army (1982)  
"Tango Atlantico" - Joe Jackson (1986)  
"Where the Rose is Sown/ Come Back to Me" - Big Country (1984)  
"Yes Sir, I Will" – Crass (1983)  
"Wha Dat" - Yellowman (1984)  
"No Bombardeen Buenos Aires" - Charly García (1982)  
"Qué Es Dios?" - Las Pastillas Del Abuelo (2008)

### Latin America

"All She Wants to Do Is Dance" - Don Henley (1984)  
"Bleed For Me" – Dead Kennedys (1982)  
"Bullet the Blue Sky" – U2 (1987)  
"El Salvador" – Noel Stookey and Jim Wallis (1983)  
"El Salvador" - White Lion (1985)  
"If I Had a Rocket Launcher" - Bruce Cockburn (1984)  
"Lives in the Balance" – Jackson Browne (1985)  
"Nicaragua" – Bruce Cockburn (1984)  
"No Más!" - John McCutcheon (1984)  
"Untitled Song For Latin America" - The Minutemen (1984)  
"Washington Bullets" – The Clash (1980)  
"Wish I Was in El Salvador" – Jello Biafra with D.O.A.(1989)  
"Young Willie" - Garnet Rogers (1992)

### Gulf Wars, Iraq, 9/11, & the 'War on Terror'

"11th Hour" - Lamb of God (2002)  
"20 Dollar Nose Bleed" - Fall Out Boy (2008)  
"21 Guns" - Green Day (2009)  
"911 For Peace" - Anti-Flag (2002)  
"A Farewell to Arms" - Machine Head 2007  
"Act III Scene 2 (Shakespeare)" - Saul Williams (2004)  
"All the Young Fascists" – Shihad (2005)  
"America (Just Say No)" - Alien Stash Tin (2003) & Betty Swallaux (2011)  
"America First" - Merle Haggard (2005)



"American Blood"- Reckless Kelly (2008)  
"American Idiot" – Green Day (2004)  
"Another Bag of Bones" - Kevin Devine (2009)  
"Apocalypse Please" - Muse (2004)  
"Audience Of One" – Rise Against (2008)  
"Atomic Garden" - Bad Religion (1992)  
"Baghdad" - The Offspring (1991)  
"Beneath The Remains" - Sepultura (1989)  
"Bin Laden" – Immortal Technique (2005)  
"Black Rain" - Ozzy Osbourne (2007)  
"Blessed are the Landmines" - Brave Saint Saturn (2008)  
"Bloodsports" – New Model Army (2007)  
"B.O.B"-Outkast(2000)  
"Boom!" – System of a Down (2002)  
"Bush" – David Banner (2003)  
"The Bushes and The President" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"B.Y.O.B." – System of a Down (2005)  
"Camilo"-[State Radio] (2005)  
"Can't Happen Here" - Atreyu (2008)  
"Caped Crusader" – Jello Biafra with the Melvins (2004)  
"Capital G" – Nine Inch Nails (2007)  
"Captain Sterling's Little Problem" - The Coup (2007)  
"Cheney's Toy" - James McMurtry (2008)  
"Cinnamon Girl" - Prince (2004)  
"Civilian Ways" - Rancid (2009)  
"Clenching the Fists of Dissent" - Machine Head (2007)  
"Condi, Condi" - Steve Earle (2004)  
"Confrontation" - OTEP (2008)  
"Counting Bodies Like Sheep to the Rhythm of the War Drums - A Perfect Circle (2004)  
"Dad's Gonna Kill Me" - Richard Thompson (2007)  
"Dark Side of the Sun" - Tori Amos (2007)  
"Day After Tomorrow" - Tom Waits (2004)  
"Dead Man Walking" - Bloodsimple (2007)  
"Dear Mr. President" – Pink (2007)  
"Deja Vu (All Over Again)" -John Fogerty (2004)  
"Desert Angel" - Stevie Nicks (1991)  
"Desert Storm" - Devinshire (2009)  
"Devils & Dust" - Bruce Springsteen (2005)  
"Dirty Bombs" - Body Count (2006)

"Dirty Harry" – Gorillaz (2005)  
"Don't Make Me a Target" – Spoon (2007)  
"Dress Blues" - Jason Isbell (2007)  
"The Drums of War" – Jackson Browne (2008)  
"Everybody's Gone to War" – Nerina Pallot (2006)  
"The Empire Strikes First" - Bad Religion (2004)  
"Empty Walls" - Serj Tankian (2007)  
"Exit Strategy" - Valient Thorr (2006)  
"For the Greater Good of God" – Iron Maiden (2006)  
The Rising (album) - Bruce Springsteen (2002) is largely about 9/11  
"F\*ck a War" – Geto Boys (1991)  
"Fallujah" - Terry Sutton Conspiracy (2011)  
"Far from Home" - Five Finger Death Punch (2009)  
"Final Straw" - R.E.M. (2004)  
"Final Transmission" - Street Dogs (2006)  
"Follow The Leader" - Pete Kronowitt (1993)  
"Franco Un-American" - NOFX (2003)  
"Friends in the Armed Forces" - Thursday (2008)  
"Frontlines" - Soulfly (2005)  
"George W. Told The Nation" – Tom Paxton (2007)  
"The Getaway" - Voivod (2006)  
"God is not with You !" - Ira dei(2008) Belgium  
"Gulf War Song" -Moxy Früvous (1994)  
"Gunslinger - Avenged Sevenfold (2007)  
"Hammerhead" – The Offspring (2008)  
"The Hand That Feeds" - Nine Inch Nails (2005)  
"Hard-On for War" - Mudhoney (2006)  
"Harrowdown Hill" - Thom Yorke (2006)  
"Hands Held High" – Linkin Park (2007)  
"Heaven is Falling" - Bad Religion (1992)  
"Hero of War" - Rise Against (2008)  
"Warzone" - Pagoda (2012)  
"Hey Ma" – James (2008)  
"Highwire" - Rolling Stones (1991)  
"Holiday" – Green Day (2004)  
Home to Houston - Steve Earle (2004)  
"The Holidays Are Here (And We're Still at War)" – Brett Dennen (2006)  
"How Much Do You Suck?" - The Jeevas (2003)  
"How Much Longer" – Paul Leary (1991)

"I Can't Take It No More" - John Fogerty (2007)  
"Illegal Attacks" – Ian Brown (2007)  
"I Saw Him Laying There" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"Jacob's Ladder" - Chumbawumba (2002)  
Jerusalem - Steve Earle (2002)  
"Jesus Walks" – Kanye West (2004)  
John Walker's Blues - Steve Earle (2002)  
"Job Well Done" - Rob Lincoln (1991)  
"Kimdir O" - Barış Akarsu  
"Letters From Home" - John Michael Montgomery (2004)  
"Letter From Iraq" - Bouncing Souls (2006)  
"Let Them Eat War" – Bad Religion (2004)  
"Let's Get Free" - Sheryl Crow (2003)  
"Letter From a Soldier" - Andy T. (2012)  
"Lift the Veil, Kiss the Tank" - The Blood Brothers (2006)  
"Light Up Ya Lighter" – Michael Franti (2006)  
"Let's Impeach the President" – Neil Young (2006)  
"Love Me, I'm a Liberal" - Kevin Devine (2008)  
"Mama" - Godsmack (2006)  
"The Man Who Would Be King" - Dio (2004)  
"Midnight Oil" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"Mosh" – Eminem (2004)  
"My Girlfriend is a Lefty" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"No Human No Fly" – April Hole (2002)  
"No More" - Bob Seger (2006)  
"No Time Flat" - Kevin Devine (2005)  
"No War" – Esham (2003)  
"Not In My Name" - Saul Williams (2003)  
"Now You've Got Something to Die For" - Lamb of God (2004)  
"On The Backs of Angels" - Dream Theater (2011)  
"On With the Song" - Mary Chapin Carpenter (2007)  
"Out Of Time" - Blur (2003)  
"Open Invitation (I Hate You bin Laden)" Jackyl (2001)  
"Osama Yo' Mama" - Ray Stevens (2002)  
"Overburdened" - Disturbed (2005)  
"People Of The Lie" - KMFDM (2009)  
"Planet of the Rice" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"Please Freeze Me" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"Prophets of War" – Dream Theater (2007)

"Redemption Day" - Sheryl Crow (1996)  
"Rich Man's War" - Steve Earle (2004)  
"Sacrificed Sons" – Dream Theater (2005)  
"Sacred Lie" - Disturbed (2005)  
"Saraba" – The Gazette (2004)  
"Shock and Awe" – Neil Young (2006)  
"Skylines and Turnstiles" — My Chemical Romance (2002)  
"Square Dance" - Eminem (2002)  
"Stand Up" – Flobots (2007)  
"Succexy" – Metric (2005)  
"A Taste of Money" – Dawn Called Malice (2003)  
"The General" - Dispatch (1998)  
"The Evil Has Landed" - Testament (2005)  
"Tehran" - The Offspring (1989)  
"This Is War" - Thirty Seconds to Mars (2009)  
"This Is War" - Smile Empty Soul (2003)  
"Trot Out the Dead" - Hammers of Misfortune (2006)  
"Turkey Shoot" – Killdozer (1994)  
"Twenty" — Robert Cray (2005)  
"Victory Stinks" - Jello Biafra and the Guantanamo School of Medicine (2011)  
"Violet Hill" - Coldplay (2008)  
"Violent & Young" - Iglu & Hartly (2008)  
"Walk on" - Hilltop Hoods (2003)  
"War on War" - Wilco (2002)  
"Wargasm" - L7 (1992)  
"War Is a Wonderful Thing" - Real West (2005)  
"What are we fighting for" - Live (2003)  
"What Happens Tomorrow" - Duran Duran (2004)  
"When the President Talks to God" – Bright Eyes (2005)  
"Where is the Love" - The Black Eyed Peas (Featuring Justin Timberlake) (2004)  
"Where Were You (When the World Stopped Turning)" - Alan Jackson (2001)  
"White People For Peace" - Against Me! (2007)  
"White Flag Warrior" - Flobots ft. Tim McIlrath (2010)  
"Wipe that Smile Off Your Face" - Our Lady Peace (2005)  
"Words I Never Said" - Lupe Fiasco (2011)  
"World Wide Suicide" - Pearl Jam (2006)  
"Waiting on the World to Change" - John Mayer (2006)  
"Worker Bees" - Billy Talent (2006)  
"WWIII" - KMFDM (2003)

"Yellowcake" - Ministry (2006)  
"Yellow Ledbetter" - Pearl Jam (1992)  
"Yo George" - Tori Amos (2007)  
"You Shoulda Killed Me Last Year" - Ice-T (1991)  
"Your Silence" - Suicide Machines (2003)  
"Two Weeks From Twenty" - Yellowcard (2006)

## Traditional music

Apart from the various genres of modern music, some traditional and contemporary folk songs reflect the futile efforts of war and the attitudes of objectors prior to the major wars of the 20th century. Some of these include:

"Ain't Gonna Study War No More" also known as "Down by the Riverside", and with a similar tune as "Hand Me down My Walking Cane" – African-American traditional anti-war song recorded by The Weavers and many other people.

"Arthur McBride" While first curated in the 19th century, this song likely came into existence during the 17th century in response to the War of the Grand Alliance, or especially the Williamite War in Ireland, after which the Irish Jacobite army was sent to France as agreed in the Treaty of Limerick on 3 October 1691.

"The Cruel War" -- Made famous in its current form by Pete Seeger and Peter Paul and Mary, this anti-war song has roots at least as far back as the American Civil War, and probably to an older English song.

"Johnny I Hardly Knew Ye" – Irish traditional anti-war and anti-recruiting song that was the basis for the song "When Johnny Comes Marching Home", and recorded as "Fighting for Strangers" by Steeleye Span.

"Kannoneer Jabůrek" – popular Czech song mocking war heroism, referring to the events of the 1866 Austro-Prussian War

"Lincoln's Army" – The Irish Rovers

"Lowlands of Holland" – traditional recorded by Martin Carthy

"Paddy's Lamentation" – an Irish song dating back to the US Civil War.[5]

"The Foggy Dew" - an Irish song comparing the loss of Irish soldiers killed during the 1916 Easter Rising and World War 1, made famous by The Dubliners