SLEEPING on a problem is not usually the solution. But artists Lee Wen (left in picture) and Kai Lam (right) beg to differ.

The pair are inviting members of the public to spend some time in bed – with or without them – in a plea for peace and “a call for more shared understanding.”

Titled Give Peace A Chance: Redux, the project aims to re-enact John Lennon and Yoko Ono’s 1969 Bed-in. The couple stayed in bed for a week to protest against the Vietnam War.

Lee, 48, says: “The main idea is to give people the consciousness that we need to be active in asking for peace.

“Although we in Singapore may live in relative calm and peace, ours is a world fraught with wars and conflicts. We live in a country that’s quite regulated but we can do things in a small, peaceful way to show that we are not powerless.”

Lee and Lam’s white, queen-sized bed is on loan from a friend’s studio. The sheets are changed every day and the bed is open to the public from 11am to 8pm until tomorrow. People can stay as long as they like but they are not allowed to smoke or eat on the bed.

Both artists have been at the site since Monday and will continue to hang around until tomorrow. Lee quips: “If there’s not enough space, I’ll get off it.”

Give Peace A Chance: Redux is part of Singapore Management University’s Arts Fest 2006, Ctrl+Alt+Del.

The bed, at the SMU Concourse, is open to the public from 11am to 8pm until tomorrow. Admission is free.