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The bulk of the audio tracks on the CD that accompanies this book are from ILAM field recordings made in Southern Africa. Also included are several video clips produced by ILAM to illustrate certain lessons.

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For Future Generations
Hugh Tracey and the International Library of African Music

This exhibition catalogue features superb quality ethnographic photographs from Hugh Tracey’s photo collection taken during his field excursions throughout sub-Saharan Africa (1930s-60s) and articles relating to the Tracey legacy for African music. For Future Generations presents a richly illustrated portion of the manuscript of Hugh Tracey’s 1932 scientific research report to the Carnegie Foundation, an article by Andrew Tracey relating to the 20 instruments chosen from the 350 in the Tracey collection to be featured in the exhibit, with an image of each instrument and a CD with a Hugh Tracey field recording of each of the 20 instruments being played. It also includes informative articles on Hugh Tracey’s research techniques and legacy by Diane Thram and Noel Lobley, a tribute to Hugh Tracey by Gerhard Kubik, a tribute to Andrew Tracey by Christopher Ballantine, and a touching memoir of Hugh Tracey written by his son Andrew.

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Hugh Tracey’s Sound of Africa Series of 218 LP recordings is available from the International Library of African Music in CD format. This monumental collection of field recordings from throughout sub-Saharan Africa dating from the 1940s - 1960s is a valuable resource for ethnomusicology programs and researchers of African music.

With 2036 individual tracks of instrumental and vocal music, it remains the most extensive collection of original field recordings of African music ever produced. These historic recordings provide a wealth of material for African music education at all age levels from primary school to tertiary level.

The SOUND OF AFRICA Series is a collection known and cherished by music libraries throughout the world.

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The Music of Africa Series was produced by Hugh Tracey in the early 1960s as an off-shoot of his 218 LP Sound of Africa Series, in order to present African music to a general audience. ILAM has re-issued, without modifications, the original 25 LP series in CD format (The numbering, cover images and liner notes of the original LPs has been retained).

Hugh Tracey presented the music on these albums according to instrument type, geographic region, and in the case of Princess Magogo, to feature an exceptional musician. The original LPs are true collector’s items. Enjoy the storytelling of African folktales by Hugh Tracey himself on Music of Africa 17, 33, 34, & 35.
Historical Recordings by Hugh Tracey is a new series, not a re-release of previous LP albums on cd. It also includes many tracks never published before, and all previously released items can be heard in their unexpurgated entirety for the first time.

The series is a reappraisal of Hugh Tracey’s lifework, finding itself somewhere in between his more populist Music of Africa series of 25 LPs and his more academic Sound of Africa series of 218 LPs. In this series we are able to present many of the foremost musicians of the 20th century from this part of Africa, and that is a gift. It is especially a gift to the peoples involved, for the legacy as played by their forebears belongs to them.

Michael Baird 2006

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THE HISTORICAL SOUNDS ARCHIVES OF THE INDIAN OCEAN
or the PHOI in French (Phonothèque Historique de l’Océan Indien)
www.phoi.io

In 2021, the Historical Sounds Archives of the Indian Ocean were launched. This online tool hosts a collection of holdings on the musical heritage of the Indian Ocean islands, with the aims of protection and transmission. The PHOI is the result of a long, thought-out project and three years of team work across the Indian Ocean. It was made possible with the financial support of the European Union, through its INTERREG V OI program.

What can you discover on www.phoi.io?
The PHOI is a numerical, collaborative and interactive platform. It is available in English, French, Shibushi and Malagasy. It is freely accessible from anywhere in the world, and allows the public to have open access to the musical archives of the Indian Ocean. The idea originated partly from the fact that this cultural heritage is jeopardised by oral transmission and the outdated storage formats of the sources.

Through a blockchain system, anyone will soon be able to contribute to the platform with his or her own items. The aim is to enable researchers, music fans and musicians to listen to thousands of titles, watch hours of videos, read and enjoy articles, biographies, photographs and documents related to this unique and precious heritage that is at the heart of the Indian Ocean’s cultural identity. Five hundred titles and images are already available on the platform, and podcasts, virtual exhibitions and playlists are online as well. Join us and learn more about Reunion’s phonogram producers, award-winning songs and musics from Mauritius.

The PHOI and its partners
To make the PHOI as complete as possible, the PRMA worked closely with partners, each of them being a reliable intermediary in the Indian Ocean’s islands. These are:
- the Centre de Ressources des Arts Actuels de Madagascar
- the Commission des Arts et de la Culture in Rodrigues
- the François Mitterrand National Conservatory of Music in Mauritius
- the Archives départementales in Mayotte
- the Cultural Department in Seychelles
- the Centre National de Documentation et de Recherches Scientifiques in the Comoros
- the Dhow Countries Music Academy in Zanzibar

Future prospects
People are encouraged to collect data and documents on their side to share with the public. Several projects are on their way for the public to learn more about records, instruments and living witnesses. Stay tuned on www.phoi.io and our Facebook page to see what is coming and how you could help.
The Dhow Countries Music Academy  
ZANZIBAR

Short-term study programs

The Dhow Countries Music Academy (DCMA) in Stone Town, Zanzibar is known for its promotion of music traditions of the dhow countries surrounding the Indian Ocean from which dhows (Arab/African sail boats) carried commodities to the East African coast. Performed on instruments such as the oud, qanun and dumbak, Dhow Countries music includes singing and instrumental traditions of the famous taarab, poetry-song genre.

The Dhow Countries Music Academy is an academic institution offering music instruction on Arab/African instruments and singing styles, as well as Certificate and Diploma Courses in Music. The Academy emphasizes music ‘performance’ and has a regular series of concerts, outreach projects and seminars.

Located close to the old harbor of Zanzibar in what was the Old Customs House, the Academy has facilities for group lectures and performances, practice rooms and administrative offices. It is a perfect location for short-term study programs focusing on Dhow Countries music, other African traditions, special lectures and performances of all sorts.

The Dhow Countries Music Academy offers lectures, concerts, instrumental and vocal instruction, accommodation and food for student groups for any period of time at any time of the year. Charges for facilities and short courses are very reasonable. Programs for Columbia University, University of Washington music education projects, students from Norway and Tanzania outside Zanzibar and other locations have enjoyed great success.

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