

Museum on Main Street

NEW HARMONIES: CELEBRATING AMERICAN ROOTS MUSIC Books for Children

The following information has been assembled to assist you in developing local exhibitions and public humanities programs around the themes of the New Harmonies exhibition. The information is organized according to the themes of each kiosk of the exhibition. Work with your local library and/or bookstore in developing children's reading programs that relate to the themes of the exhibition: set aside a space in the exhibition area that can be a reading room for children and families and/or ask the local librarian to focus the story time selections to books that explore roots music.

THE FIRST SOUNDS: SACRED SONGS

Bierhorst, John, *Cry from the Earth: Music of the North American Indians*. Ancient City Press, 1992., Roxane. *Mahalia : A Life in Gospel Music*. Diane Pub Co, 2004.

Bontemps, Arna, *Chariot in the Sky : A Story of the Jubilee Singers*. New York: Oxford, 2002.

Haskins, James. *Black Music in America : A History Through Its People*. Welcome Rain Publishers, 2000.

Hopkinson, Deborah. *A Band of Angels : A Story Inspired by the Jubilee Singers*. New York: Antheneum Books for Young Readers, 1999.

Igus, Toyomi, *I See the Rhythm*. Children's Book Press, 1998.

Johnson, James Weldon. *Lift Every Voice and Sing*. New York: Scholastic, 1995.

Kramer, Barbara. *Mahalia Jackson : The Voice Of Gospel And Civil Rights*. Enslow, 2003.

Siegelson, Kim L. *In the Time of the Drums*. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 1999.

FROM THE HILLS, HOLLOWES AND PLAINS: COUNTRY MUSIC

Griffith, Helen V. and James Stevenson, illus. *Georgia Music*. NY: Mulberry Books, 1997.

Khalsa, Dazal Kaur, *Cowboy Dreams*. ?: Clarkson Potter, 1990.

Paterson, Katherine. *Come Sing Jimmy Jo*. New York: Puffin Books, 1995. (reissue, first published 1985).

CAN'T BE SATISFIED: THE BLUES

Awmiller, Craig. *This House on Fire: The Story of the Blues*. New York: Franklin Watts, 1996.

Dell, Pamela. *The Blues: Birth of an American Sound*. Chanhassen, MN: Child's World, 2005.

Elmer, Howard. *Blues: Its Birth and Growth*. New York: Rosen Publishing Group, 1999.

Lester, Julius. *Blues Singers: Ten Who Rocked the World*. New York: Hyperion Books for Children, 2001.

Wilds, Mary. *Raggin' the Blues: Legendary Country, Blues, and Ragtime Musicians*. Greensboro, NC: Avisson Press, 2001.

OTHER SOUNDS, OTHER SONGS

Appelt, Kathi. *Piggies in a Polka*. Orlando, FL: Hartcourt, 2003.

Beaumont, Karen. *Baby Danced the Polka*. New York: Dial Books for Young Readers, 2004.

COME GATHER ROUND, PEOPLE: THE ROOTS REVIVAL

Kirgiss, Crystal. *Folk Music*. North Mankato, MN: Smart Apple Media, 2002.

Roberts, Jeremy. *Bob Dylan: Voice of a Generation*. Minneapolis, MN: Lerner Publications, 2005.

Romero, Maritza. *Joan Baez: Folksinger for Peace*. New York: PowerKids Press, 1997.

Sieling, Peter. *Folk Music*. Broomall, PA: Mason Crest Publishers, 2002.

Titon, Jeff Todd. *American Musical Traditions*. New York: Schirmer Reference, 2002.

Wenberg, Michael. *Elizabeth's Song*. Milwaukee, WI: Gareth Stevens, 2003.

STAND UP AND SING OUT

Christensen, Bonnie. *Woody Guthrie: Poet of the People*. NY: Knopf Books for Young Readers, 2001.

Guthrie, Woody and Kathy Jakobsen Illus. *This Land is Your Land*. ?: Megan Tingley Books, 2002.

Krull, Kathleen and Kathryn Hewitt, Illustrator. *Lives of Musicians: Good Times, Bad Times (and What the Neighbors Thought)*. New York: Harcourt Children's Books, 1993.

Partridge, Elizabeth. *This Land Was Made for You and Me: The Life and Songs of Woody Guthrie*. NY: Viking Juvenile, 2002.

Seeger, Pete and Wendy Anderson Halperin, Illus. *Turn! Turn! Turn!*. NY: Simon & Schuster Children's Publishing 2003.