

Course Description

Title of Course:	Communication in Folk Culture and Music (Folk Music Instruments in the Carpathian Basin)
Code:	ERP-BKO 0001
Method of Evaluation:	oral examination
Time:	
Venue:	
Credit points:	6
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The aim of the course is to present folk music traditions in the Carpathian basin through the peasant way of life, regional characteristics and historical aspects. Besides the genres of vocal folk music students learn about the presentation techniques, stylistic layers and instruments of instrumental folk music. They get to know the relationship between Hungarian folk music and that of the neighbouring peoples as well as the traditional relationship between artistic music and folk music.

Furthermore, the subjects aim at acquainting students with the functions, forms, historical layering of Hungarian folk music so that they are able to place it within the culture of peoples in the Carpathian Basin. They will study folk music functionally, as a part of a continually changing culture. Students get to know the characteristics of every region and genre by original sound recordings: they will learn folk songs that represent a certain genre and/or region.

Throughout the course, the instructor (a qualified cultural anthropologist and a distinguished folk singer) will point out how vocal and instrumental folk music genres function(ed) as forms of communication in the wider frame of traditional folk culture in Hungary.

Classes

No.	Date:	Topic:
1.		Introduction. Hungarian folk music and the history of Hungarian culture.
2.		Hungarian folk music revival. Traditional folk music – world music. Attending folk / ethno / world music concerts.
3.		Hungarian folk instruments. Folk music revival in Hungary. The UNESCO protected „Táncház” movement (attending the Sebő Táncház)
4.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music I. Dunántúl (Transdanubia) Features and genres of the folk music tradition of the region.
5.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music I. Dunántúl (Transdanubia) Typical folk instrument: the long flute „ <i>bosszúfurugla</i> ”
6.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music II. North (Felföld). The first field recordings of Zoltán Kodály: Zoborvidék.
7.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music II. North. Typical instrument: the bagpipe: „ <i>duda</i> ”. Typical genre: the „ <i>dudanóta</i> ”
8.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music III. The Great Hungarian Plain (Alföld), Typical instrument: the hurdy-gurdy („ <i>tekerőlant</i> ”)

		and the shawm („ <i>tárogató</i> ”). Typical rhythm and dance: the „ <i>csárdás</i> ”.
9.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music IV. Transsylvania (Erdély): Subdialects: Kalotaszeg, Mezőség, Székelyföld, Gyimes.
10.		Main instruments of the Transylvanian peasant music and dance house music („ <i>táncház</i> ”), special string instrument: the „ <i>ütőgardon</i> ”. Ethnomusicologists of the region: László Lajtha, Zoltán Kallós.
11.		Dialects of Hungarian Folk music V.: Moldova („ <i>Moldvai csángó</i> ”). Main instrument: the historical lute („ <i>koboz</i> ”). Main dances, costumes, and other features of the region. History of ethnomusicology of the region: the work of Péter Pál Domokos.
12.		Summary. Theory and practice: singing Hungarian folk songs from different dialects.

Literature:

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Discography:

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