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This book is perhaps the first comprehensive guide to understanding all the aspects and finer nuances of Hindustani classical music. It is aimed at the serious listener, that is, someone who may not have had any formal lessons himself in this performing art, but who, nevertheless, has picked up an initial interest in listening to classical music, and is, therefore, seeking to know more about its underlying structure, system and traditions. By explaining in a straightforward and extremely readable style, the basic features of Indian music, how time and melody are structured, the main principles of r?ga delineation and development, and the various genres and styles of vocal as well as instrumental performances, the book aims to enhance the serious listener sunderstanding of Hindustani music, and heighten his appreciation of this art form. This book includes a glossary of

musical terms, a select discography and a select bibliography.

Indian Sun K.K. Publications

In this book the author has dealt with the musical terms as found in the old sastras and are also in common use. He has explained these terms in simple language with reference to their history of origin. Description of seventy-eight different musical instruments and forty-seven different Talas are also there. An essential aid to research-scholars and students of music. The Bengali version of the book Bharatiya Sangeetkosh earned for him Sangeet Natak Academy award as the best book on music published during the period from 1960 to 1968. Bimalakanta Roychaudhuri was born in 1909 in all illustrious family of musical heritage. He had his training in music from Sitalchandra Mukhopadhyay, Sitalkrishna Ghosh, Amir Khan (Sarod) and then from Inayet Khan, the foremost Sitar players of those days. He also had his musical training from his maternal uncle Birendrakishore Roychaudhuri and maternal grandfather Brojendrakishore Roychaudhuri. He took part in the translation of Sangeet Ratnakara from Sanskrit to Bengali under the patronage of Brojendrakishore Roychaudhuri. He was Chairman of the Board of Musical Studies of the University

of Calcutta. His work Raga Vyakarana (in Hindi) has been published by the Bharatiya Jnanpith. Ragas in Carnatic Music Oxford University Press, USA

One of Library Journal's "Best Arts Books of 2020" The definitive biography of Ravi Shankar, one of the most influential musicians and composers of the twentieth century, told with the cooperation of his estate, family, and friends For over eight decades, Ravi Shankar was India's greatest cultural ambassador. He was a groundbreaking performer and composer of Indian classical music, who brought the music and rich culture of India to the world's leading concert halls and festivals, charting the map for those who followed in his footsteps. Renowned for playing Monterey Pop, Woodstock, and the Concert for Bangladesh-and for teaching George Harrison of The Beatles how to play the sitar-Shankar reshaped the musical landscape of the 1960s across pop, jazz, and classical music, and composed unforgettable scores for movies like Pather Panchali and Gandhi. In Indian Sun: The Life and Music of Ravi Shankar, writer Oliver Craske presents readers with the first full portrait of this legendary figure, revealing the personal and professional story of a musician who influenced-and continues to influence-countless artists. Craske paints a vivid picture of a

captivating, restless workaholic-from his lonely and traumatic childhood in Varanasi to his youthful stardom in his brother's dance troupe, from his intensive study of the sitar to his revival of India's national music scene. Shankar's musical influence spread across both genres and generations, and he developed close friendships with John Coltrane, Philip Glass, Yehudi Menuhin, George Harrison, and Benjamin Britten, among many others. For ninety-two years, Shankar lived an endlessly colorful and creative life, a life defined by musical, emotional, and spiritual quests-and his legacy lives on. Benefiting from unprecedented access to Shankar's archives, and drawing on new interviews with over 130 subjects-including his second wife and both of his daughters, Norah Jones and Anoushka Shankar- Indian Sun gives readers unparalleled insight into a man who transformed modern music as we know it today.

Finding the Raga Trivandrum, India: CBH Publications

The concept of raga, the traditional basis of melodic composition and improvisation in Indian classical music, has become familiar to listeners and musicologists throughout the world, but its historial origins and early development have been little explored. The author draws on written documents from the pre-Islamic period in India, including musical treatises (especially that of the thirteenth-century theorist, Sarngadeva), literary works, and a remarkable inscription comprising musical notation. These documents bear witness to the development of the earlier ragas, which they name, classify, define, and in some cases illustrate with melodic examples. The melodies, which have not previously been studied in detail, form the focus of the book, which analyses their notation, musical structure and relationship to the theoretical tradition in which they are embedded, as evidence for the early history of melodic compostion and improvisation in the Indian tradition.

Five Notes of the Raga Motilal Banarsidass Publ.

Music being perceptible through the ears, it takes time to have its effect on emotions and it must be admitted that emotions created are not very definite. The help of words in form of songs or poetry is therefore sought and acting is resorted is for better effect. Here in India music is treated quite independently. Hymns of Samaveda were sung over three thousand year ago, the tunes must have been composed with the subject matter of the songs and vice versa. Music is also sought to the medicinal properties. All such things are discussed in the book Contents I. Introduction II. Sound TH. III Musical Notes IV. Musical Notes—(Continued) V Vikrita Notes VI. Scales VII. New Scales VIII. Relation of Notes With Each Other IX. Tunes X. Ragas or Melodious Tunes XI. Rhythm or Timing XII, Harmony XIII, Indian Ragas and Raginis

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The Raga Guide is an introduction to Hindustani ragas, the melodic basis for the classical music of Northern India, Pakistan, Nepal and Bangladesh.

Finding the Raga New York Review of Books

Take your first steps in Indian Classical Music with 8 Indian Rāgas reimagined for Easy Piano [2020] Edition - now with two new rāgas] Contents: Rāgas Latangi, Madhuvanti & Todi (each in 3 versions), Rāgas Vachaspati, Patdeep, Desh, Malhar* & Chayanat* (*New to this edition). This book is a collection of eight Indian ragas (5 Hindustani and 3 Carnatic), re-imagined for piano, and simplified for fledgling pianists (both children and adults). The purpose is to provide an introductory experience of classical Indian music-making in an easy, hands-on way at a piano, offering a very accessible first encounter with improvisation. It is designed for near-beginners through to early intermediate players, and can be used as a stepping stone to the 258-page book for more advanced pianists: "How to Play Indian Sitar Raags on a Piano" (https://www.amazon.co.uk/gp/product/1726378063 Intensely Pleasant Music, 2016). Recordings of each piece in this book are available free at www.pianoraga.com, where you'll also find recordings of the left hand parts of the first three ragas - to allow you to practise just the melody with a recorded backing. Indian rāgas (or raags) have an extraordinary musical heritage dating back several centuries (from the area that is now India, Pakistan, and Bangladesh) - a truly unique musical genre of fascinating melodic beauty and rhythmic intricacy - freely combining elaborate composed melodies with carefully rehearsed improvisation. Accompanying videos and mp3s (free download) from www.pianoraga.com ---- ---- ---- The first edition "Indian Raags for Piano Made Easy" was published in 2018. This second edition (2020) differs from the first edition in four main ways: 1) spellings of some musical terms from Indian classical music have been updated to conform to more widely recognised academic usage: most notably, raag is now rendered raga. 2) Two additional ragas have been added to the six in the first edition. 3) Some entirely optional suggested fingerings have been added. 4) There is some additional guidance on how to approach

the free tempo ālāpa section of each rāga - with fully-notated 'free' rhythms which some teachers may find helpful. ----- ---- REVIEWS of 1st Edition ("Indian Raags for Piano Made Easy" 2018): "... immediately accessible and enjoyable ... utterly enchanted ... a fabulously colourful and rich new sound world ... a brilliant boon ... this stunning music ... an essential purchase ... HIGHLY RECOMMENDED" Andrew Eales, Piano Dao ----- "... a wonderfully approachable insight into Indian music..." Fiona Lau, Music Teacher Magazine ----- "A Very Out-of-the-Box Book for the Improv-Challenged Pianist ... extremely accessible ..." Natalie Weber, Music Matters ----- "...intriguing, attractive and engaging..." Frances Wilson, A Piano Teacher Writes ----- "...exposure to the actual practice of this music will leave a valuable bit of programming in my neural circuits that will enhance my musical thinking and ability to appreciate other musics. ...highly recommended." Allan Cronin, New Music Buff

Ragopedia: Exotic scales of north India BecomeShakespeare.com

This work aims to address the historical development of the great Indian raga tradition, enhanced by computational approaches, and to use computational strategies to analyze aspects of contemporary Hindustani classical music (HCM). It is divided into two parts with Part 1 focusing on the history and aesthetics of HCM and Part 2 covering its computational aspects. The historical development of HCM in the ancient, medieval and modern periods; its terms and genre; and its Khayal gharanas are covered in Part 1. The subtopics include essential concepts such as raga, tala, shruti, thaat, gharana, khayal, dhrupad, thumri, tappa, etc. Part 2 covers the state-of-the-art in computational musicology, raga analysis and song analysis using statistics. The subtopics include statistical modeling, inter onset interval, note duration analysis, pitch movement between the notes, rate of change of pitch (pitch velocity) and probabilistic analysis of musical notes. The author concludes the work with reflecting on the lives of a few renowned musicians and musicologists with an account of hilarious moments taken from their lives to excite the reader to know more about HCM. This book would be useful for musicians, musicologists, researchers in music history, aesthetics, computational musicology, and advanced undergraduate and postgraduate students of music and musicology.

Theory of Indian Music New York Review of Books

Winner of the James Tait Black Prize for Biography An autobiographical exploration of the role and meaning of music in our world by one of India's greatest living authors, himself a vocalist and performer. Amit Chaudhuri, novelist, critic, and essayist, is also a musician, trained in the Indian classical vocal tradition but equally fluent as a guitarist and singer in the American folk music style, who has recorded his experimental compositions extensively and performed around the world. A turning point in his life took place when, as a lonely teenager living in a high-rise in Bombay, far from his family's native Calcutta, he began, contrary to all his prior inclinations, to study Indian classical music. Finding the Raga chronicles that transformation and how it has continued to affect and transform not only how Chaudhuri listens to and makes music but how he listens to and thinks about the world at large. Offering a highly personal introduction to Indian music, the book is also a meditation on the differences between Indian and Western music and artmaking as well as the ways they converge in a modernism that Chaudhuri reframes not as a twentieth-century Western art movement but as a fundamental mode of aesthetic response, at once immemorial and extraterritorial. Finding the Raga combines memoir, practical and cultural criticism, and philosophical reflection with the same individuality and flair that Chaudhuri demonstrates throughout a uniquely wide-ranging, challenging, and enthralling body of work. The Rāga-s of Northern Indian Music Delhi : Sri Satguru Publications ; Indian Books Centre The Place Of The Raga In Indian Classical Music Is Indeed Unique. The Romance Of The Raga Is An Attempt To Outline The Evolution And Perspective, As Also The Sheer Variety And Distinct Styles, Of This Powerful And Enthralling Medium Of Spiritual And Aesthetic Form Of Musical Expressions. Based On The Belief That Sound Is God And Nada Brahma Or Intelligle Sound Is The Fusion Of The Physical Breath With The Fire Of The Intellect, The Book Proceeds To Unravel The Priceless Historical Traditions Of Indian Classical Music. It Provides A Glimpse Into The Variety Of Techniques And Styles That Are Employed For Presentation Of The Raga And Highlights The Significant Contribution Made By Some Of The Shapers Of India'S Musical Destiny Towards The Enrichment Of Both The Systems: Hindustani And Karnatak. The Work Also Portrays The Predominant Characteristics Of Inner Dynamism And Resilience, As Also The Unlimited Potential, Amazing Elasticity And The Power Of Assimilation Of The Raga, As A Medium Of Creative Musical Expression. Further, The Variety And Range Of Musical Instruments And Confluence Of Indian Classical Music And Miniature Painting Have Been Illustrated With A View To Enunciating The Raga.

The Raga Guide London: Barrie & Rockliff the Cresset P.

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...A concise yet extensive coverage of various aspects of Hindustani Classical Music. ...48 well-crafted chapters... ...Different terms used in Hindustani Music are defined in simple terms... ...A lucid explanation of the science behind music, including vibratios, frequency, naad, shruti, swar, raga, thaat and various musical compositions... ...The journey of Hindustani Music from the Vedic ages to the modern age explored, including a commentary on the important musical treatises and a brief look at the gharana system of the Hindustani Music... ...A section devoted to the practical performance of Hindustani Music... ...Detailed information given about 22 taal and 55 raga popular today.... ... "a flow of information of music, useful to all students of Hindustani Music, whatever their level of expertise"... ... "a boon to the ... students pursuing Visharad in Hindustani Music" *The Grammar of North Indian Rāgas* Indiana University Press

This is an advisable work of art and a real countributor to the movement towards greater understanding of Indian Classical Music. A Bible on Indian Music, a treasure of knowledge and ideas on the subject. Distils the essence of Indian Classical Music. This book deals with the communication of identical phrases and single notes projecting various shades within a particular raga or in different ragas. An admirable work of art and a real contribution to the know classical music movement.

Ragas in Indian Music New Delhi : Gian

A raga is a melodic composition in Indian classical music that imparts certain emotions. Ragas From the Periphery is a collection that uses language as its instrument. Phinder Dulai is first and foremost a South Asian writer, and while issues of identity and cultural immersion are central to his work, they are not all-encompassing. His poems are intimate landscapes in which themes of work, family, and community are always present. Crossing cultures linguistically and metaphorically, Ragas From the Periphery is an impressive debut collection.

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Doctoral Thesis / Dissertation from the year 2019 in the subject Musicology, grade: NA, , language: English, abstract: The aim of the research work presented in this book, is to find important features of the music signal so that we can classify the raga into different category. It will encourage the scientific research in Indian Classical music, specifically Hindustani music. The main objectives of the study include: • Extraction of features of a music signal which are relevant for classification of the music signal using different techniques. • To determine whether the artists singing the raga during a concert belongs to same gharana or different gharanas by finding the MFCC (Mel frequency cepstral co-efficients) features of a music signal. Andrew plot is used to study the results. • Comparison between two types of ragas, one being aesthetically known to be restful raga and the other restless in nature is done by finding statistical features. Distinction between the two types of raga is done by finding the mean, standard deviation and Inter onset interval. The Transitory and non-transitory frequency movements between the notes of both ragas is determined. • Statistical Modeling of ragas is done to distinguish between Restful ragas and Restless Ragas. Simple Exponential smoothing techniques is used for Modeling the Restless Ragas Pilu and Bhairavi and Double exponential Smoothing techniques is used for Modeling the Restful Raga Todi . • The work is focused on music emotion representation. The characteristics features of

music signal such as rhythm, melody, pitch and timbre are studied. Among these which parameter(s) play a major role in creating happy or sad emotion in the song or music samples are studied.

The Raga-s of Northern Indian Music A&C Black

Peter Lavezzoli, Buddhist and musician, has a rare ability to articulate the personal feeling of music, and simultaneously narrate a history. In his discussion on Indian music theory, he demystifies musical structures, foreign instruments, terminology, an *Evolution of Rāga and Tāla in Indian Music* BPI Publishing

This is essentially a classical Indian music practice manual. It uses sargam (Sa, Re, Ga, Ma, Pa, Dha, Ni) for musical notation. In northern classical Indian music you can make numerous sequences of these notes. In northern classical Indian instrumental music musical patterns that are used for exercises are called "paltas," where as in the vocal category of Indian classical music these patterns are called "alankars." There are over 650 patterns in this book. These patterns are used as exercises in order to develop one's pitch accuracy, tone, dexterity, agility, flexibility, and speed. These exercises also help train your ear. Training your ear helps you recognized patterns,

notes, thaats, ragas, and scales. This book will bring your practice to the next level and make you an improvisation wizard. There is a brief introduction on what sargam notes are and the 10 thaats. The 10 thaats are the 10 major modes within northern Indian classical music. This book uses 2 and 3 notes in order to make 3, 4, 5, and 6 note pattern phrases that go up and down a complete scale . This is a must for jazz musicians

Ragas of Northern Indian Music Trafford Publishing

Five Notes of the Raga is about Indian music and Indian History. This short story that gives the book its name is an imagined encounter between two great personages of the sixteenth century Indian Bhakti movement: the blind musician Surdas and the great Mughal Emperor Akbar. There follows five musical plays staged in London, including the most recently staged Phool Walon ki Saira flower sellers procession that starts from a Hindu temple and ends at a Muslim shrine. Kavita K2k recounts Indian poetryancient and modern. Sheydiner Doojon is about the two bards of BengalTagore and Nazrul. T3 tells the time with timeless Indian Ragas and Tagore melodies. Lastly, Gulbagicha displays the repertoire of Nazruls creativity. The book ends with a few of Dasguptas poems.

Ragas in Indian Music Hachette Books

This Is A Book Of And About The Classical Music Of North India, Among The Oldest Continual Musical Traditions Of The World. This Volume Introduces The Great Richness And Variety Of The Different Styles Of Music As Taught By One Of The Century`S Greatest Musicians, Ali Akbar Khan.

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