



Unit VI Louisiana's Musical Landscape
Lesson 1 Music Around the State: Sound and Place

Music Web Quest Resource Sheet

Name _____ Date _____

Directions:

- Use these webpages for a **Music Web Quest** <http://www.louisianavoices.org/Unit6/edu_unit6w_music_webquest.html> about different styles of traditional music in Louisiana.
- Record your findings on the **Music Web Quest Record Sheet** <http://www.louisianavoices.org/Unit8/edu_unit6w_webquest_recordsheet.html>.
- Compare your findings with classmates and draw conclusions about what was found.

Louisiana Music Online

- **American Routes** <<http://americanroutes.wwno.org/>> radio program features many audio clips about Louisiana musicians. Find a list at **American Routes and Louisiana Voices** <<http://www.louisianafolklife.org/Resources/amrlv.html>>.
- **folkstreams.net / Dry Wood by Les Blank** <<http://www.folkstreams.net/film,43>> (video) Features entire video documentary about Creole musicians Alphonse "Bois Sec" Ardoin and Canray Fontenot. Includes transcripts and notes.
- **Louisiana State Museum Jazz Collection** <<http://louisdl.louislibraries.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/JAZ>> (audio) Features radio broadcasts from the 1960s.
- **Red Hot Jazz Archive** <<http://www.redhotjazz.com/>> (audio, video) (Search for a jazz artist to get a list of online music). Features jazz before 1930.
- **River of Song / Louisiana** <<http://www.pbs.org/riverofsong/artists/>> (audio, video) The fourth episode of this PBS series is *Louisiana: Where Music is King*, which features 11 musicians and ensembles. Episodes 1-3 feature 30 additional groups from the Chippewa Nation in Minnesota to the Mississippi Mass choir. Includes an online Teacher's Guide.
- **Southern Mosaic: John and Ruby Lomax Recording Trip** <<http://memory.loc.gov/ammem/lohtml/lohome.html>> (audio) (Scroll down to Special Presentation: The 1939 Recording Expedition. Then select Louisiana.)



Music Online from Around the United States

- **Alabama Center for Traditional Arts** <<http://www.arts.state.al.us/actc/index-folkarts-actc.html>> (audio) (Select Musics of Alabama, Shape-Note Singing, Shape Singing Convention, Alabama School of Gospel Music, Alabama Folkways Radio Series, Alabama Folkways Series) Features many forms of musics, from work songs and blues to spirituals and gospel, from fiddle tunes and lullabies to mariachi and polka.
- **The Blue Highway** <<http://thebluehighway.com/>> (Select Bluescasts for audio). Links to live and archived blues radio.
- **Crossroads of the Heart / Mississippi Music** <<http://www.arts.state.ms.us/crossroads/music.html>> (audio) Features blues, gospel, fiddling, and Sacred Harp singing.
- **folkstreams.net** <<http://www.folkstreams.net/>> (video) Features entire video documentaries about traditional cultures with transcripts, notes, and often study guides. See Educator's Portal.
- **Jazz: A Film by Ken Burns** <<http://www.pbs.org/jazz/index.htm>> (Select Classroom for lesson plans and activities. Select Biographies for audio.) The first of ten episodes features New Orleans jazz. Website includes biographies, songs, instruments, and lessons.
- **Lady Sings the Blues** <<http://www.thirteen.org/edonline/lessons/blues/index.html>> (Lesson Plans) Interdisciplinary lesson using the book, *The Color Purple* and blues artists.
- **Music from the Sunshine State / Florida Folklife Program** <<http://www.flheritage.com/preservation/folklife/radio/radio.cfm>> (audio) 13-part radio series. Website features 30-second audio bytes of fiddling traditions: Mexican, old-time country, bluegrass, Pacific Island, sacred music, blues, Cuban, Caribbean.
- **Music Resources Center** <<http://www.lib.berkeley.edu/MRC/>> (video) (Select Music Traditions of the World) Features video clips from video documentaries on Cajun, Creole, Polish Americans, old-time fiddling, blues, and African Americans in Texas.
- **Résonance: Musical Heritage of La Francophonie** <<http://www.civilization.ca/cmcc/exhibitions/arts/resonance/resinte.shtml>> (video) Virtual exhibit of Francophone music and instruments.
- **Wisconsin Folks / Music Traditions** <<http://arts.state.wi.us/static/folkdir/music.htm>> (audio, video) Features music, dance, crafts, food and occupational traditions. Music traditions include polka, Objibwe flute, gospel, and Hmong. Compare the accordion and music style used by Happy Notes, a Polish-American polka band from Stevens Point, WI, with Louisiana accordion music or see Joe Bee Xiong of Eau Claire, WI demonstrate Hmong musical instruments.