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Chasing the Rising
Sun is the story of an
American musical
journey told by a
prize-winning writer

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who traced one song in its many incarnations as it was carried across the world by some of the most famous singers of the twentieth century. Most people know the song "House of the Rising Sun" as 1960s rock by the British Invasion group the Animals, a ballad about a place Page 2/185

in New Orleans -- a whorehouse or a prison or gambling joint that's been the ruin of many poor girls or boys. Bob Dylan did a version and Frijid Pink cut a hard-rocking rendition But that barely scratches the surface; few songs have traveled a journey as intricate as Page 3/185

"House of the Rising Sun."The rise of the song in this country and the launch of its world travels can be traced to Georgia Turner, a poor, sixteen-year-old daughter of a miner living in Middlesboro, Kentucky, in 1937 when the young folkmusic collector Alan Lomax, on a trip
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collecting field recordings, captured her voice singing "The Rising Sun Blues." Lomax deposited the song in the Library of Congress and included it in the 1941 book Our Singing Country, In short order, Woody Guthrie, Pete Seeger, Lead Belly, and Josh Page 5/185

White learned the song and each recorded it. From there it began to move to the planet's farthest corners. Today, hundreds of artists have recorded "House of the Rising Sun." and it can be heard in the most diverse of places --Chinese karaoke bars, Gatorade ads, and as Page 6/185

a ring tone on cell phones. Anthony began his search in New Orleans, where he met Eric Burdon of the Animals. He traveled to the Appalachians -- to eastern Kentucky, eastern Tennessee, and western North Carolina -- to scour the mountains for the song's beginnings.
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He found Homer Callahan, who learned it in the mountains during a corn shucking; he discovered connections to Clarence "Tom" Ashley, who traveled as a performer in a 1920s medicine show. He went to Daisy, Kentucky, to visit the family of the Page 8/185

late high-lonesome singer Roscoe Holcomb, and finally back to Bourbon Street to see if there really was a House of the Rising Sun. He interviewed scores of singers who performed the song. Through his own journey he discovered how American traditions Page 9/185

survived and prospered -- and how a piece of culture moves through the modern world, propelled by technology and globalization and recorded sound. Featuring exclusive color photos from Chicago Blues Hall of Fame Inductee Noble, this book Page 10/185

gives an overview of the early days of the blues and its development from the Mississippi Delta to Chicago, to becoming the global musical movement it is today Folklorist, archivist. anthropologist, singer, political activist, talent scout, ethnomusicologist, Page 11/185

filmmaker, concert and record producer. Alan Lomax is best remembered as the man who introduced folk music to the masses. Lomax began his career making field recordings of rural music for the Library of Congress and by the late 1930s brought his discoveries to radio. Page 12/185

including Woody Guthrie, Pete Seeger, and Burl Ives. By the 1940s he was producing concerts that brought white and black performers together, and in the 1950s he set out to record the whole world. Lomax was also controversial. When he worked for the government he

was tracked by the FBI, and when he worked in Britain, MI5 continued the surveillance. In his last years he turned to digital media and developed technologies that anticipated today's breakthroughs. Featuring a cast of characters from Eleanor Roosevelt to Page 14/185

Lead Belly, Carl Sagan to Bob Dylan, Szwed's biography provides an account of an era seen through the life of one extraordinary man.--From publisher description. 'Shirley is a time traveller, a conduit for essential human aches, one of the greatest artists who ever lived' Stewart Page 15/185

Lee 'Without doubt one of England's greatest cultural treasures' Billy Bragg In America Over the Water, celebrated English folksinger Shirley Collins offers an affecting account of her year-long stint as assistant to legendary musical historian and folklorist Alan Lomax. Page 16/185

Together, they travelled to Virginia, Kentucky, Alabama, Mississippi, Arkansas and Georgia, discovering Mississippi Fred McDowell and many others, in their tireless work to uncover the traditional music of America's heartland. Blending the Page 17/185

personal story of Shirley Collins Collins relationship with Lomax and offering a unique first-hand account of a country on the brink of the civil rights era, America Over the Water cuts right to the heart of the blues in a fascinating account of Collins' and Lomax's ground-Page 18/185

breaking journey across the southern states of the USA to record the music that started it all. Originally published over fifteen years ago, this definitive edition includes a new introduction by Shirley Collins. The Man Who Recorded the World All the Blues Gone Page 19/185

Our Singing Country An Intimate Portrait of Pete Seeger Aesthetic and Social Codes in Music The Life and Times of John A. Lomax, 1867-1948 This is the first biography of Ralph Peer, the adventurous∏even revolutionary A&R man and music publisher Page 20/185

who saw the universal power locked in regional roots music and tapped it, changing the breadth and flavor of popular music around the world. It is the story of the life and fifty-year career, from the age of cylinder recordings to the stereo era, of the man who pioneered the recording, marketing, and publishing of blues, Page 21/185

jazz, country, gospel, and Latin music. The book tracks Peerls role in such breakthrough events as the recording of Mamie Smith s [Crazy Blues] (the record that sparked the blues craze), the first country recording sessions with Fiddlin John Carson, his discovery of Jimmie Rodgers and the Carter Page 22/185

Family at the famed Bristol sessions, the popularizing of Latin American music during World War II, and the postwar transformation of music on the airwayes that set the stage for the dominance of R&B, country, and rock [n] roll. But this is also the story of a man from humble midwestern beginnings Page 23/185

who went on to build the world s largest independent music publishing firm, fostering the global reach of music that had previously been specialized, localized, and marginalized. Ralph Peer redefined the ways promising songs and performers were identified, encouraged, and promoted, rethought Page 24/185

how far regional music might travel, and changed our very notions of what pop music can be. This enhanced e-book includes 49 of the greatest songs Ralph Peer was involved with. from groundbreaking numbers that changed the history of recorded music to revelatory obscurities, all linked to Page 25/185

the text so that the reader can hear the music while reading about it. Alan Lomax (191502002) began working for the Archive of American Folk Song at the Library of Congress in 1936, first as a special and temporary assistant, then as the permanent Assistant in Charge, Page 26/185

starting in June 1937, until he left in late 1942. He recorded such important musicians as Woody Guthrie, Muddy Waters, Aunt Molly Jackson, and Jelly Roll Morton. A reading and examination of his letters from 1935 to 1945 reveal someone who led an extremely complex, fascinating, and creative life, mostly Page 27/185

as a public employee. While Lomax is noted for his field recordings, these collected letters. many signed [Alan Lomax, Assistant in Charge, □ are a trove of information until now available only at the Library of Congress. They make it clear that Lomax was very interested in the commercial hillbilly, Page 28/185

race, and even popular recordings of the 1920s and after. These letters serve as a way of understanding Lomax[s public and private life during some of his most productive and significant years. Lomax was one of the most stimulating and influential cultural workers of the twentieth century. Here he speaks
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for himself through his Rollminous The correspondence. The Beautiful Music All Around Us presents the extraordinarily rich backstories of thirteen performances captured on Library of Congress field recordings between 1934 and 1942 in locations reaching from Southern Appalachia to the Mississippi Delta Page 30/185

and the Great Plains. Including the children's play song "Shortenin' Bread," the fiddle tune "Bonaparte's Retreat," the blues "Another Man Done Gone," and the spiritual "Ain't No Grave Can Hold My Body Down," these performances were recorded in kitchens and churches, on porches and in prisons, in hotel Page 31/185

rooms and school Panditoriums The Documented during the golden age of the Library of Congress recordings, they capture not only the words and tunes of traditional songs but also the sounds of life in which the performances were embedded: children laugh, neighbors comment, trucks pass Page 32/185

by. Musician and researcher Stephen Wade sought out the performers on these recordings, their families, fellow musicians, and others who remembered them. He reconstructs the sights and sounds of the recording sessions themselves and how the music worked in all their lives. Some of Page 33/185

these performers developed musical reputations beyond these field recordings, but for many, these tracks represent their only appearances on record: prisoners at the Arkansas State Penitentiary jumping on "the Library's recording machine" in a rendering of "Rock Island Line"; Ora Dell Graham being Page 34/185

called away from the schoolyard to sing the jump-rope rhyme "Pullin' the Skiff"; Luther Strong shaking off a hungover night in jail and borrowing a fiddle to rip into "Glory in the Meetinghouse." Alongside loving and expert profiles of these performers and their locales and communities, Wade also Page 35/185

untangles the histories of these iconic songs and tunes, tracing them through slave songs and spirituals, British and homegrown ballads, fiddle contests, gospel quartets, and labor laments. By exploring how these singers and instrumentalists exerted their own creativity on inherited forms. "amplifying tradition's Page 36/185

gifts," Wade shows how a single artist can make a difference within a democracy. Reflecting decades of research and detective work, the profiles and abundant photos in The Beautiful Music All Around Us bring to life largely unheralded individuals--domestics. farm laborers, state prisoners, Page 37/185

schoolchildren. cowboys, housewives and mothers, loggers and miners--whose music has become part of the wider American musical soundscape. The paperback edition does not include an accompanying CD. Accompany CD has excerpts from a speech given by Alan Lomax on March 7, 1989, at the Page 38/185

New York Public Library plus seven tracks of folk songs recorded by Alan Lomax. Adventures of a Ballad Hunter Photographs and Field Recordings: 1947-1959 Folk Song Style and Culture American ballads and folk songs Parchman Farm Page 39/185

Alan I omax Traces the 1960s effort to revive music in England that underscored the achievements of such period artists as Pink Floyd, Nick Drake and Led Zeppelin, providing insight into how their work reflected historical precedents while Page 40/185

establishing models for present-day musicians. Original. 10,000 first printing. Lomax's account of African American oral traditions provides information on such legendary bluesmen as Robert Johnson, Muddy Waters, and Son House Page 41/185

 Kirkus Best Books of 2015 selection for Biography • Published in celebration of Holiday's centenary, the first biography to focus on the singer's extraordinary musical talent When Billie Holiday stepped into Columbia's studios Page 42/185

in November 1933, it marked the he beginning of what is arguably the most remarkable and influential career in twentieth-century popular music. Her voice weathered countless shifts in public taste, and new reincarnations of her continue to arrive,

most recently in the form of singers like Amy Winehouse and Adele. Most of the writing on Holiday has focused on the tragic details of her life—her prostitution at the age of fourteen, her heroin addiction and alcoholism, her series of abusive

relationships—or tried to correct the many fabrications of her autobiography. But now, Billie Holiday stays close to the music, to her performance style, and to the self she created and put into print, on record and on stage. Drawing on a vast amount of new

material that has surfaced in the last decade, critically acclaimed jazz writer John Szwed considers how her life inflected her art, her influences, her uncanny voice and rhythmic genius, a number of her signature songs, and her legacy.

In 1933, John A. Lomax and his son Alan set out as emissaries for the Library of Congress to record the folksong of the "American Negro" in several southern African American prisons. Listening to the Lomax Archive: The Sonic Rhetorics

of African American Folksong in the 1930s asks how the Lomaxes' field recor dings—including their prison recordings and a long-form oral history of jazz musician Jelly Roll Morton—contributed to a new mythology of Americana for a nation in the midst of Page 48/185

financial, social, and identity crises. Stone argues that folksongs communicate complex historical experiences in a seemingly simple package, and can thus be a key element—a sonic rhetoric—for interpreting the ebb and flow of cultural Page 49/185

ideals within contemporary historical moments. He contends that the Lomaxes, aware of the power of folk music, used the folksongs they collected to increase national understanding of and agency for the subjects of their

recordings even as they used the recordings to advance their own careers. Listening to the Lomax Archive gives readers the opportunity to listen in on these seemingly contradictory dualities, demonstrating that they are crucial to

the ways that we remember and write about the subjects of the Lomaxes' archive and other repositories of historicized sound. Throughout Listening to the Lomax Archive. there are a number of audio resources for readers to listen Page 52/185

to, including songs, oral histories, and radio program excerpts. Each resource is marked with a ? in the text. Visit https://doi.org/1 0.3998/mpub.987109 7#resources to access this audio content. The Journey of an American Song Race and American

Folklore Alan Lomax, he Assistant in Charge The 1934 Lomax Recordings The Musician and the Myth Flectric Eden The remarkable life and times of the man who popularized American folk Page 54/185

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Traces the jazz musician's career journey from Storyville to Page 60/185

Broadway, showing the ways in which his unique compositions reflected the problems of America's poor Blues Hall of Fame Inductee—Named a "Classic of Blues Literature" by the Blues Foundation. 2019 This Page 61/185

remarkable book recovers three invaluable perspectives, long thought to have been lost, on the culture and music of the Mississippi Delta. In 1941 and '42 African American schol-ars from Fisk University—among

them the noted composer and musicologist John W. Work III, sociologist Lewis Wade Jones, and graduate student Samuel C. Adams Ir.—joined folklorist Alan Lomax of the Library of Congress on research trips to Coahoma County,

Mississippi. Their mission was "to document adequately the cultural and social backgrounds for music in the community." Among the fruits of the project were the earliest recordings by the legendary blues

singer and guitarist Muddy Waters. The hallmark of the study was to have been a joint publication of its findings by Fisk and the Library of Congress. While this publication was never completed, Lost Delta Found is composed of the

interviews, notes. and musical transcriptions produced by Work, Jones, and Adams in the Coahoma County study. Their work captures, with compelling immediacy, a place, a people, a way of life, and a set of

rich musical traditions as they existed in the 1940s. Illustrated with photos and more than 160 musical transcriptions. When Ferdinand "Jelly Roll" Morton sat at the piano in the Library of Congress in May of

1938 to begin his monumental series of interviews with Alan Lomax, he spoke of his years on the West Coast with the nostalgia of a man recalling a golden age, a lost Eden. He had arrived in Los Angeles more than twenty years

earlier, but he recounted his losses as vividly as though they had occurred just recently. The greatest loss was his separation from Anita Gonzales, by his own account "the only woman I ever loved." to whom he left Page 69/185

almost all of his rovalties in his will. In Dead Man Blues, Phil Pastras sets the record straight on the two periods (1917-1923 and 1940-1941) that **Jelly Roll Morton** spent on the West Coast. In addition to rechecking sources, correcting

mistakes in scholarly accounts. and situating eyewitness narratives within the histories of New Orleans or Los Angeles, Pastras offers a fresh interpretation of the life and work of Morton, one of the most important and Page 71/185

influential early practitioners of iazz. Pastras's discovery of a previously unknown collection of memorabilia—inc luding a 58-page scrapbook compiled by Morton himself—sheds new light on Morton's personal and

Online Library Alan Lomax The artistic development, as well as on the crucial role played by Anita Gonzales. In a rich, fastmoving, and fascinating narrative, Pastras traces Morton's artistic development as a pianist, composer, Page 73/185

and bandleader. Among many other topics, Pastras discusses the complexities of racial identity for Morton and his circle, his belief in voodoo, his relationships with women, his style of performance, and his roots in black Page 74/185

musical traditions. Not only does Dead Man Blues restore to the historical record invaluable information about one of the great innovators of jazz, it also brings to life one of the most colorful and fascinating periods of musical Page 75/185

transformation on the West Coast The Science and **Business of Turning** Waste into Wealth and Health Chasing the Rising Sun Field Recordings and the American Experience The Other Dark Matter Page 76/185

Cowboy Songs and Other Frontier **Ballads** Ralph Peer and the Making of Popular Roots Music (Enhanced Edition) In 1947, 1948 and 1959, renowned folklorist Alan Lomax

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(1915-2002)went behind the barbed wire into the Mississippi State Penitentiary at Parchman. Armed with a reel-to-reel tape deck--and, in Page 78/185

documented as best an outsider could the stark and savage conditions of the prison farm, where the black inmates Page 79/185

labored "from chopping timber, clearing ground and picking cotton for the state. They sang as they worked, keeping time Page 80/185

Man Who hoes, adapting Vortheir condition the slavery-time hollers that sustained their forebears and creating a new body of American song. Page 81/185

rs was Lomax wrote, that "testified to the love of truth and beauty which is a universal human trait " Their songs participated Page 82/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The musical traditions: free world (the blues, hollers, spirituals and other songs they sang outside and, when the Page 83/185

permitted, sang inside as well) and the work songs, which were specific to the prison situation.A chilling account of how slavery Page 84/185

Man Who persisted well nto the 20th century in the institutionali zed form of the chain gang, "Parchman Farm" includes two CDs with 44 of Lomax's remastered Page 85/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The recordings and a book of more than 70 of Lomax's photographs, many published here for the first time. Alan Lomax's prolific sixtyfour-year Page 86/185

Man Who career as a folklorist and musicologist began with a trip across the South and into the heart of Louisiana's Cajun country during the height of the Great

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Depression. In father John, then curator of the Library of Congress's Archive of American Folk Song, took an eighteen-yearold Alan and a 300-pound Page 88/185

inum disk recorder into the rice fields of Jennings, along the waterways of New Iberia, and behind the gates of Angola State Penitentiary Page 89/185

Man Who to collect vestiges of African American and Acadian musical tradition. These recordings now serve as the foundational document of Page 90/185

music. Although widely recognized by scholars as a key artifact in the understanding of American vernacular

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Man Who the recordings by John and Alan Lomax during their expedition across the cen tral-southern fringe of Louisiana were never transcribed or Page 92/185

translated, much less studied in depth. This volume presents, for the first time, a comprehensive examination of the 1934 corpus and Page 93/185

multifaceted story of traditional song in one of the country's most culturally dynamic regions. Through his textual and Page 94/185

comparative study of the songs contained in the Lomax collection, Joshua Clegg Caffery provides a musical history of Louisiana that Page 95/185

extends beyond Cajun music and zydeco to the rural blues, Irish and English folk songs, play-party songs, slave spirituals, and traditional Page 96/185

ch folk thrived at the time of these recordings. Intimate in its presentation of Louisiana folklife and broad in its historical Page 97/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The Music in Coastal Louisiana honors the legacy of John and Alan Lomax by retrieving these musical relics from obscurity and Page 98/185

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recordings in southwestern Louisiana Sideby-side translations from French to English Photographs from the 1934 field trip and biographical details about Page 100/185

the performers A Best Photo Book of 2012 by American Photo. A new look at the legendary folklorist and his work. More than fifty years ago, on a trip dubbed Page 101/185

Southern Journey," Alan Lomax visited Virginia, Georgia, Alabama, Mississippi, Kentucky, and Tennessee, uncovering the little-known southern Page 102/185

backcountry and blues music that we now consider uniquely American. Lomax's camera was a constant companion, and his images of both legendary and anonymous Page 103/185

Man Who folk musicians complement his famous field recordings. These photogra phs-largely un published-show musicians making music with family and friends at home, with Page 104/185

worshippers at church, and alongside workers and prisoners in the fields. Discussions of Lomax's life and career by his disciple and lauded Page 105/185

William Ferris, and a lyrical look at Lomax's photographs by novelist and Grammy Awardwinning music writer Tom Piazza, enrich this valuable Page 106/185

Man Who collection. Based upon Cantometrics: An Approach to the Anthropology of Music (1976), by Alan Lomax, Songs of Earth: Aesthetic and Page 107/185

Social Codes recorded ine in Music is a contemporary guide to understanding and exploring Cantometrics, the system developed by Lomax and Victor Grauer for analyzing Page 108/185

music related to human geography and sociocultural patterning. This carefully constructed cross-cultural study of world music revealed Page 109/185

-rooted performance patterns and aesthetic preferences and their links with environmental factors and ancient socioeconomic practices. Page 110/185

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the world's peoples, and it is designed to be used by both scholars and laypeople. Part One of the book consists of a practical quide to using the

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Man Who Cantometrics system, course with musical examples to test one's understanding of the material, a theoretical framework to put the Page 113/185

methodology in context, and illustration of the method used to explore the roots of popular music. Part Two includes quides to four Page 114/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The analytical systems that Lomax developed, which focus on orchestration, phrasing and breath management, vowel articulation, Page 115/185

Man Who instrumentatio American popular music. Part Three provides resources for educators who wish to use the Cantometrics system in Page 116/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The classrooms, summary of the findings and hypotheses of Lomax's original research, and a discussion ofCantometrics' criticisms, Page 117/185

applications, approaches, and it includes excerpts of Lomax's original writings about world song style and cultural Page 118/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The Writings, 1934-1997 Songs of Earth A Biography of Alan Lomax The Southern Journey of Alan Lomax: Words, Photographs,

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The Man who Recorded the World Billie Holiday Melodies and words for over 200 authentic folk songs and ballads from all parts of the country — spirituals, hollers, game songs, lullabies, courting songs, work songs, Page 120/185

breakdowns, many more. Growing up beside the Chisholm Trail, captivated by the songs of passing cowboys and his bosom friend, an African American farmhand, John A. Lomax developed a passion for American folk songs that ultimately made him Page 121/185

one of the foremost authorities on this fundamental aspect of Americana, Across many decades and throughout the country, Lomax and his informants created over five thousand recordings of America's musical heritage, including ballads, blues, children's songs, fiddle Page 122/185

tunes, field hollers, lullabies, play-party songs, religious dramas, spirituals, and work songs. He acted as honorary curator of the Archive of American Folk Song at the Library of Congress, directed the Slave Narrative Project of the WPA, and cofounded the Texas Folklore Society. Page 123/185

Lomax's books include **Cowboy Songs and** Other Frontier Ballads, American **Ballads and Folk** Songs, Negro Folk Songs as Sung by Leadbelly, and Our Singing Country, the last three coauthored with his son Alan Lomax, Adventures of a Ballad Hunter is a memoir of Lomax's Page 124/185

eventful life. It recalls his early years and the fruitful decades he spent on the road collecting folk songs, on his own and later with son Alan and second wife Ruby Terrill Lomax. Vibrant, amusing, often haunting stories of the people he met and recorded are the gems of this book, Page 125/185

which also gives lyrics for dozens of songs. Adventures of a Ballad **Hunter illuminates** vital traditions in American popular culture and the labor that has gone into their preservation. Grossly ambitious and rooted in scientific scholarship, The Other Dark Matter shows how human excrement Page 126/185

can be a life-saving, money-making resource—if we make better use of it. The average person produces about four hundred pounds of excrement a year. More than seven billion people live on this planet. Holy crap! Because of the diseases it spreads, we have learned to distance Page 127/185

ourselves from our waste, but the long line of engineering marvels we've created to do so-from Roman sewage systems and medieval latrines to the immense, computerized treatment plants we use today—has also done considerable damage to the earth's ecology. Now scientists Page 128/185

tell us: we've been wasting our waste. When recycled correctly, this resource, cheap and widely available, can be converted into a sustainable energy source, act as an organic fertilizer, provide effective medicinal therapy for antibiotic-resistant bacterial infection, and Page 129/185

much more. In clear and engaging prose that draws on her extensive research and interviews, Lina Zeldovich documents the massive redistribution of nutrients and sanitation inequities across the globe. She profiles the pioneers of poop upcycling, from startups in African Page 130/185

villages to innovators in American cities that convert sewage into fertilizer, biogas, crude oil, and even lifesaving medicine. She breaks taboos surrounding sewage disposal and shows how hygienic waste repurposing can help battle climate change, reduce acid rain, and eliminate toxic algal Page 131/185

blooms. Ultimately, she implores us to use our innate organic power for the greater good. Don't just sit there and let it go to waste.

Writer, musicologist, archivist, singer, DJ, filmmaker, record, radio and TV producer, Alan Lomax was a man of many parts. Without him the

history of popular music would have been very different. Armed with a tape-recorder and his own nearflawless good taste, Lomax spent years travelling the US, particularly the south, recording its heritage of music and song for posterity, bringing to light the talents of performers ranging Page 133/185

from Jelly Roll Morton to Leadbelly and Muddy Waters, and crucially influencing generations of musicians from Pete Seeger to the Stones, from Woody Guthrie to Bob Dylan. His influence continues: recordings made by Lomax are the core of the sound-tracks of Oh Brother, Where art Page 134/185

Thou? and Gangs of New York, and even featured, remixed, on Moby's Play. John Szwed's biography is the first ever of this remarkable and contradictory man (whom he both knew and worked with for ten years); through it Szwed will tell the story of a musical and political era, as he did Page 135/185

so successfully in his previous book on Miles Davis The Fortunes of Jelly Roll Morton, New Orleans Creole and "Inventor of Jazz" **Hard Hitting Songs for Hard-Hit People** Folk Songs and Ballads **Unearthing Britain's** Visionary Music The Protest Singer Page 136/185

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Online Library Alan Lomax The Man Who distributions culture and that specific traits of performance are communications about identifiable aspects of society. The

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Online Library Alan Lomax The predictable niversal relations between expressive communication and social organization, here established for the first time, open up

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Online Library Alan Lomax The Man Who possibility of scientific aesthetics, useful to planners. Twenty-seven years in the making (1940-67), this tapestry of nearly two Page 143/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The popular and protest songs was created by three giants of performance and musical research: Alan Lomax, indefatigable collector and Page 144/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The Guthrie, performer and prolific balladeer; and Pete Seeger, entertainer and educator who has introduced three generations of

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ricans to heritage. In his afterword, Pete Seeger recounts the long history of collecting and publishing this anthology of Depressionera, union-Page 146/185

melodies. With characteristic modesty, he tells us what's missing and what's wrong with the collection. But more important, he Page 147/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The what's right and why it still matters, noting songs that have become famous the world over: "Union Maid," "Which Side Are You On?," "Worried Page 148/185

Special," and "Tom Joad." "Now, at the turn of the century, the millennium, what's the future of these songs?" he asks. Page 149/185

"Music is one t will save us. Future songwriters can learn from the honesty, the courage, the simplicity, and the frankness of Page 150/185

Online Library Alan Lomax The these hardtting songs. And not just songwriters. We can all learn." In addition to 123 photographs and 195 songs, this edition features an

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introductory Guthrie, the daughter of *Woody Guthrie* and overseer of the Woody Guthrie Foundation. The challenges of interracial fieldwork Page 152/185

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Louisiana The Man who Adores the Negro Listening to the Lomax Archive

Alan Lomax is a legendary figure in American folk

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music circles. Although he published many books, hundreds of recordings and dozens of films, his contributions to popular and academic journals have never been collected. This collection of writings, introduced by Page 155/185

Lomax's daughter Anna, reintroduces these essential writings. Drawing on the Lomax Archives in New York, this book brings together articles from the 30s onwards. It is divided into four sections, each capturing a distinct period in Page 156/185

the development of Lomax's life and career: the original years as a collector and promoter; the period from 1950-58 when Lomax was recording thorughout Europe; the folk music revival years; and finally his work in Page 157/185

academia. John A. Lomax was an American original, a man of intellect, tireless ambition, visionary zeal, and vast contradictions. Perhaps best known as a pioneer **American** folklorist, he was also a successful businessman, an Page 158/185

influential educator, and the patriarch of an extended family of artists, performers, and scholars whose work continues to influence American culture on both popular and academic levels. 'Can't Be Satisfied is that rare thing in musical

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common notion of a bluesman," And the folklorist Alan Lomax called him "one of the really great geniuses of **American** instrumental music." But you won't find Davis alongside blues legends Robert Johnson and Muddy Waters in

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