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An Introduction to Modal Music in the Mediterranean and Near East

Abstract

Modal musical traditions vary greatly from region to region, from the Balkans to the Middle East. However, as different as they might seem there are some important underlying principles through which we can better understand them. In this workshop, we will look at some of these ideas in order to better understand these traditions and ultimately, as musicians from different backgrounds, be inspired and learn from them.

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