

# Albums 2007

As usual we asked our panel to nominate 6 new albums and 4 re-issues/compilations each and gave every nomination a point. The main provisos were that albums should have been first released since November 2006 (though we do allow a bit of slack for things which are slow permeating through) and that they fall into the areas of music that we cover in *fRoots* – music from anywhere with roots in a tradition. We also ask for two nominations in that new Best Packaged Album category.

And here, divided into those three sections, are the votes of the jury from out there...

**Paul Adams:** Fellside Records

**Sylvia Barnes:** *The Colour Of Amber* (Greentrax); **Daimh:** *Crossing Point* (Greentrax); **Katie Doherty:** *Bridges* (Park); **Bella Hardy:** *Night Visiting* (Noe); **Jez Lowe:** *Jack Common's Anthem* (Tantobie); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic).

**John Kirkpatrick:** *Plain Capers* (Free Reed); **The Russell Family:** *The Russell Family* (Free Reed).

**Various:** *Clare Concertinas* (Free Reed).

**Ian Anderson:** *fRoots* editor

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bella Hardy:** *Night Visiting* (Noe); **Mekons:** *Natural* (Quarterstick); **Feryal Öney:** *Bulutlar Geçer* (Kalan); **Devon Sproule:** *Keep Your Silver Shined* (Tin Angel); **Kristi Stassinopoulou:** *Taxidoscopio* (Heaven & Earth).

**Apostolos Nikolaidis:** *O Gialinos Kosmos* (Alpha); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Hardcore English* (EFDSS); **Big Joe Williams:** *Baby Please Don't Go* (SPV Blue Label).

**Various:** *Music & Rhythm: Womad 1982-2007* (Womad); **Various:** *West Indian Rhythm* (Bear Family)

**Eddie Barcan:** Cambridge Festival Organiser

**Steve Earle:** *Washington Square Serenade* (New West); **Julie Fowlis:** *Cuilidh* (Shoeshine); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Kate Rusby:** *Awkward Annie* (Pure); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Various:** *Cool As Folk* (Gott Discs).

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**Colin Bass:** Musician / Radio DJ

**Boban I Marko Markovic:** *Go Marko Go!* (Piranha); **Oki Dub Ainu Band:** *Oki Dub Ainu Band* (Chikar Studio); **Oysterband:** *Meet You There* (Westpark); **Terrakota:** *Oba Train* (Felmay); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Al Terry:** *Hickey's Cajun Hillbilly*

(Ace Records); **Allen Toussaint:** *What Is Success* (Kent); **Lalugdi G Jarayaman:** *Violin Waves* (Felmay); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Elmore James:** *The Classic Early Recordings* (Ace); **Orchestra Ethiopia:** *Ethiopiques Vol 23* (Buda Musique)

**Nick Beale:** *fRoots* reviewer

**Rachel Harrington:** *The Bootlegger's Daughters* (Skinny Dennis Records); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Linda Thompson:** *Versatile Heart* (Decca); **Richard Thompson:** *Sweet Warrior* (Proper); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Lucinda Williams:** *West* (Lost Highway).

**Richard & Linda Thompson:** *In Concert 1975* (Island Universal).

**Alan Bearman:** Festival programmer and agent

**Blowzabella:** *Octomento* (Blowzabella); **Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Hass:** *In The Moment* (Culburnie); **Levon Helm:** *Dirt Farmer* (Vanguard); **Lisa Knapp:** *Wild And Undaunted* (Ear To The Ground); **Chris Knight:** *The Trailer Tapes* (Drifter's Church); **Linda Thompson:** *Versatile Heart* (Decca).

**Maggie Holland:** *Bones* (Weekend Beatnik); **Andy Irvine:** *Rude Awakening* (Compass); **Richard & Linda Thompson:** *In Concert 1975* (Island Universal).

**Saskia Bender:** Producer NPS Radio 6, Netherlands

**Aman Aman:** *Musica i Cants Sefardis d'Orient i Occident* (Galileo); **Trilok Gurtu & Arke String Quartet:** *Arkeology* (Promo); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Gilberto Gil:** *Favourites* (Wrassle Universal); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Electric Gypsyländ 2* (Crammed); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Bassekou Kouyate:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here).

**François Bensignor:** Freelance journalist / Mondomix / Manager of Information Centre for Traditional and World Music, Paris.

**Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Habib Koite & Bamada:** *Afriki* (Cumbancha); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Bibi Tanga et le Professeur Inlassable:** *Yellow Gauze* (L'Inlassable Disque).

**African Virtuosos:** *The Classic Guinean Guitar Group* (Sterns); **Munir Bachir:** *Master Of The Arab Lute* (Inédit); **Franco:** *Classic* (Syllart Productions); **Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango).

**Mahwash:** *Ghazals Afghans* (Accords Croises).

**Simon Broughton:** Editor *Songlines*

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Selim Sesler:** *Anatolian Wedding* (Doublemoon); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *Soul Of Armenia* (Network); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Bassekou Kouyate:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Various:** *Bardic Divas* (Smithsonian Folkways)

**Daniel Brown:** Senior staff journalist for Radio France International / Editor for Mondomix.com

**Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Mokobe Du 113:** *Mon Afrique* (Sony BMG); **Nneka:** *Victim Of Truth* (); **Antonio Zambujo:** *Outro Sentido* ().

**Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Roddy Campbell:** Editor *Penguin Eggs* magazine, Canada

**Geoff Berner:** *The Wedding Dance Of The Widow Bride* (Black Hen); **Peter Case:** *In Praise Of Sleepy John* (Outside); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Mavis Staples:** *We'll Never Turn Back* (ANTI); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Leonard Cohen:** *Leonard Cohen* (Sony); **Ani Di Franco:** *Canon* (Righteous Babe); **Five Hand Reel:** *Five Hand Reel I For A' That I Earl O' Moray* (BGO Records); **Bob Wills & His Texas Playboys:** *The Complete Published Sides Vol 1: 1935-1940* (JSP Records).

**Ron Kavana:** *Irish Ways* (Proper); **Bob Wills & His Texas Playboys:** *The Complete Published Sides Vol 1: 1935-1940* (JSP)

**Garth Cartwright:** Freelance writer / *fRoots* contributor

**Ersatzmusik:** *Voice Letter* (Asphalt Tango); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Peret:** *Que Levante El Dedo* (Rumba Classics); **Esma Redzepova:** *Mon Historie* (Accords Croises); **The Spirituales:** *Singing Songs Of Praise* (Case Quarter).

**Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *The Cosimo Matassa Story* (Proper); **Various:** *Songs Of Defiance: Music Of Chechnya & The North Caucasus* (Topic); **Various:** *Tamburitza! From The Balkans To America 1910-1950* (Arhoolie).

**Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *The Cosimo Matassa* (Proper)

**Rob Challice:** Agent / Festival booker

**Beirut:** *The Flying Club Cup* (Bada-Bing); **Midlake:** *Trials* (); **Joanna Newsom:** *Ys* (); **Oysterband:** *Meet You There* (Westpark); **Devon Sproule:** *Keep Your Silver Shined*

(Tin Angel); **John Smith:** *The Fox And The Monk* ().

**Simon Coe:** On-line content manager music, zavvi entertainment group

**Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **LaXula:** *In X-ile* (Via Lactea); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Ray Barretto:** *Latin Soul Man* (Fania); **Sandy Denny:** *Live At The BBC* (Island); **Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan:** *Dub Qawwali* (Wrasse); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Ry Cooder:** *My Name Is Buddy* (Nonesuch); **Sandy Denny:** *Live At The BBC* (Island Re-Masters)

**Jane Cornwell:** Journalist

**Sa Ding Ding:** *Alive* (Wrasse / Universal); **Interactivo:** *Goza Pepillo* (DM Ahora!); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Telmery:** *A Diario* (DM Ahora!); **Transglobal Underground:** *Moonshout* (Mule Satellite).

**Sarah Coxson:** *fRoots* news ed

**Bella Hardy:** *Night Visiting* (Noe); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Yousou N'Dour:** *Rokku mi Rokka* (Nonesuch); **Devon Sproule:** *Keep Your Silver Shined* (Tin Angel); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Chris Wood:** *Trespasser* (RUF).

**Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal).

**Andrew Cronshaw:** Musician / Producer / *fRoots* writer

**Marilis Orionaa:** *Damn* (Armagulh/Darenl); **Mercedes Peón:** *Sihá* (Discmedi); **String Sisters:** *Live* (Hello); **Töttersön:** *Xo* (Visio); **Tsuumi Sound System:** *Hotas* (Aito).

**Various:** *9a Fira Mediterrània d'Espectacles d'Arrel Tradicional, Manresa* (Folc); **Various:** *Hangvetö - Válogatás: Compilation 2006-2007* (Hangvetö); **Various:** *Folk Acts Sweden 2007* (Folk Net Sweden); **Various:** *Native Music - Traditional/Folk/World Music - Latvia* (Latvian Music Information Centre).

**Kirsten Bräten Berg:** *Stev for Dagen* (Heilo); **Szilvia Bognár:** *Ének Őrzi Az Időt - Song Preserves The Heartbeat Of Time* (Gryllus)

**John Crosby:** Independent music publicist & PR / record compiler

**Extra Golden:** *Hera Ma Nono* (Thrill Jockey); **Ibrahim Ferrer:** *Mi Sueno* (World Circuit); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **PG Six:** *Slightly Sorry* (Drag City); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Lucinda Williams:** *West* (Lost Highway).

**John Fahey:** *Fare Forward Voyagers* (Takoma); **Fairport Convention:** *Liege And Lief Deluxe Edition* (Universal); **Various:** *Art Of Field Recording*

(Sampler) (Dust-to-Digital); **Various: Molam: Thai Country Groove From Isan Vol 2** (Sublime Frequencies).

**Bassekou Kouyate: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Various: How Low Can You Go? Anthology Of The String Bass 1925-1941** (Dust-To-Digital)

**Peter Culshaw:** Music journalist (Observer Music Monthly, *Daily Telegraph*, *Rolling Stone*, *Muslim News* etc)

**Mayra Andrade: Navega** (Sterns); **Ceu: Ceu** (whatmusic.com); **Manu Chao: La Radiolina** (Because); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Devon Sproule: Keep Your Silver Shined** (Tin Angel).

**Hariprasad Chaurasia: Maestro Of The Indian Flute** (Sare'Sama); **Djivan Gasparian: Soul Of Armenia** (Network); **Various: Doom & Gloom** (Trikont); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Djivan Gasparian: The Soul Of Armenia** (Network); **Orchestre Baobab: Made In Dakar** (World Circuit)

**Robin Denselow:** BBC TV and *Guardian* journalist

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara: Soul Science** (Wayward); **Mayra Andrade: Navega** (Sterns); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Orchestra Baobab: Made In Dakar** (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Richard Thompson: Sweet Warrior** (Proper).

**Fela Kuti: Anthology 1** (Wrasse); **Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns); **Various: Sounds Of The World 2007** (Warner); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Sandy Denny: Live At The BBC** (Island Re-Masters); **Dave Pegg: A Box Of Pegg's** (Matty Grooves)

**Petr Doruzka:** Writer / radio presenter based in Prague

**Saban Bajramovi: Cafe Sevdah** (Snail Records); **Nidi Darac: Salento Senza Tempo** (Promo Music); **Habib Koite & Bamada: Afriki** (Cumbancha); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Mahwash: Ghazals Afghans** (Accords Croises); **Dona Rosa: Alma Livre** (Jaro).

**African Virtuosos: The Classic Guinean Guitar Group** (Sterns); **Djivan Gasparian: Portrait** (Network); **Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Djivan Gasparian: Portrait** (Network); **Mahwash: Ghazals Afghans** (Accords Croises)

**Steve Edge:** Radio DJ / Concert presenter, Vancouver

**Ollabelle: Riverside Battle Songs** (Verve Forecast); **Orchestra Baobab: Made In Dakar** (World Circuit); **Outlaw Social: Dry Bones** (Indie); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss: Raising Sand** (Rounder); **Kate Rusby: Awkward Annie** (Pure); **Martin Simpson: Prodigal Son** (Topic).

**Eliza Gilkyson: Your Town Tonight** (Red House); **Various: The Imagined Village** (Real World); **Various: Whiskey Hollow Bound** (Indie); **Various: Wounded Heart Of America: Songs Of Tom Russell** (Hightone).

**Martha Scanlan: The West Was Burning** (Sugar Hill); **Various: Whiskey Hollow Bound** (Indie)

**Mark Ellingham:** Co-editor *Rough Guide To World Music*

**Manu Chao: La Radiolina** (Because); **Sevara Nazarkhan: Zen** (Real World); **Seasick Steve: It's All Good** (Bronze Rat); **Tiris: Sandtracks** (Sandblast).

**Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Banning Eyre:** US journalist & writer, *Afropop Worldwide*

**Dee Dee Bridgewater: Red Earth** (Emarcy); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Youssou N'Dour: Rokku mi Rokka** (Nonesuch); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Tinariwen: Aman Iman Water Is Life** (Independiente); **Caetano Veloso: Ce** (Nonesuch).

**Rail Band: Soundiata** (Sterns); **Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns); **Various: Bokoor Beats: Vintage Afro-Beat, Afro-Rock & Electric Highlife from Ghana** (Otrabanda); **Various: Roots Of Chicha: Psychedelic Cumbias From Peru** (Barbes).

**Andy Palacio & The Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns)

**Jan Fairley:** fRoots reviewer / writer

**Manu Chao: La Radiolina** (Because); **Maria del Mar Bonet: Amic Amat** (Picap); **Ojos de Brujo: Techari Live** (Diquela); **Orchestra Baobab: Made In Dakar** (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Tinariwen: Aman Iman Water Is Life** (Independiente).

**Amankay: Amankay** (Music And Words); **Bola de Nieve: The Incomparable Bola de Nieve** (Disconforme); **Omara Portuondo: Duets** (Malanga Music); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Ojos de Brujo: Techari Live** (Diquela); **Tinariwen: Aman Iman Water Is Life** (Independiente)

**Paul Fisher:** Far Side Music / broadcaster / fRoots contributor

**Harry Hosono & The World Shyness: Flying Saucer 1947** (Victor); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Nami Makioka: Shitsurushima** (Jabara); **Yasukatsu Oshima with Geoffrey Keezer: Yasukatsu Oshima with Geoffrey Keezer** (Victor); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Tinariwen: Aman Iman Water Is Life** (Independiente).

**Seijin Noborikawa: It's Only Seigwa** (Respect); **Various: Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980** (Sterns); **Various: Kroncong: Early**

*Indonesian Pop Music* (Rice Japan); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Harry Hosono: Crown Years Of Harry Hosono 1974-1977** (Crown); **Various: Nihon no Uta** (Commons)

**David Flower:** SASA Music tour agent

**Buika: Mi Nina Lola** (Warner); **Juan Luis Guerra: La Llave De Mi Corazon** (EMI); **Kwal: Là où j'habite** (Naive); **Orchestra Baobab: Made In Dakar** (World Circuit); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss: Raising Sand** (Rounder); **Tiris: Sandtracks** (Sandblast).

**Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns); **Various: Bokoor Beats: Vintage Afro-Beat, Afro-Rock & Electric Highlife from Ghana** (Otrabanda); **Various: Music & Rhythm: WOMAD 1982-2007** (Womad); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns); **Various: Music & Rhythm: Womad 1982-2007** (Womad)

**Jo Frost:** Songlines deputy editor

**Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Malouma: Nour** (Marabi); **Mario Pacheco: A Musica e a Guitarra** (World Connection); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Tiris: Sandtracks** (Sandblast).

**Various: Achili Funk: Gipsy Soul 1969-1979** (Love Monk); **Various: Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980** (Sterns); **Various: Bugalu Tropical Gozalo!** (Vampisoul); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Bassekou Kouyate: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Horacio Molina: Tango Esencial** (Mañana)

**Kiyoshi Funatsu:** Folk music shop Tambourine, Japan

**Aman Aman: Musica i Cants Sefardis d'Orient i Occident** (Galileo); **Julie Fowlis: Cuilidh** (Shoeshine); **Shooglenifty: Froots** (Shoogleg); **Martin Simpson: Prodigal Son** (Topic); **June Tabor: Apples** (Topic); **Chris Wood: Trespasser** (RUF).

**Sandy Denny: Live At The BBC** (Island); **Wizz Jones: When I Leave Berlin** (Sunbeam); **Pentangle: The Time Has Come 1967-1973** (Castle); **Richard & Linda Thompson: In Concert 1975** (Island Universal).

**Emmylou Harris: Songbird** (Rhino); **Fairport Convention: Liege & Lief Deluxe Edition** (Universal)

**Mike Gavin:** Press Officer

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara: Soul Science** (Wayward); **Michael Hurley: Ancestral Swamp** (Gnomonsong); **Lo Cor De La Plana: Tant Deman** (Buda); **Seasick Steve: It's All Good** (Bronze Rat); **Slide: Overneath** (Slide Music); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset: The Bairns** (Rabble Rouser).

**Various: Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980** (Sterns); **Various: Songs Of Defiance: Music Of Chechnya & The North Caucasus** (Topic); **Porter Wagoner: The Rubber Room** (Omni); **Zadik Zecharia: Kurdish Melodies On The Zorna**

(Bo Weavil Recordings).

**Anne Briggs: Sing A Song For You** (Bo Weavil Recordings).

**Francis Gay:** Radio producer at Funkhaus Europa, Germany

**Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Axel Krygier: Zoraz** (Hiltop); **Winston McAnuff: Paris Rockin'** (Makasound); **Roy Paci & Aretuska: Suonoglobal** (Etnagigante); **Up, Bustle & Out with Sevvan Sam: Istanbul's Secret** (Collision).

**DJ Click: Flavour** (No Fridge); **Various: Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980** (Sterns); **Various: La Collection du Patrimoine Musical de l'Océan Indien** (Takamba); **Various: Doublemoon Remixed** (Doublemoon).

**Cáceres: Utopía** (Mañana); **Various: Achilifunk** (*Gipsy Soul 69-79*) (Lovemong)

**Richard Gehr:** US writer

**Bob Brozman Orchestra: Lumiere** (Riverboat Records); **Manu Chao: La Radiolina** (Because); **Gaudi & Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan: Dub Qawwali** (Six Degrees); **Mekons: Natural** (Quarterstick); **Otis Taylor: Definition Of A Circle** (Telarc); **Tinariwen: Aman Iman Water Is Life** (Independiente).

**Bembeya Jazz National: The Slyphone Years: Hits & Rare Recordings** (Sterns); **Green Arrows: 4-Track Recording System** (Analog Africa); **Various: Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980** (Sterns); **Various: What's Happening In Pernambuco? New Sounds Of The Brazilian Northeast** (Luaka Bop).

**Gaudi & Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan: Dub Qawwali** (Six Degrees); **The Gourds: Noble Creatures** (Yep Roc)

**Charlie Gillett:** BBC World Service radio presenter

**17 Hippies: Heimlich** (Hipster); **Mayra Andrade: Navega** (Sterns); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Manu Chao: La Radiolina** (Because); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba: Segu Blue** (Out Here); **Youssou N'Dour: Rokku mi Rokka** (Nonesuch).

**Dona Dumitru Siminca: Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 3** (Asphalt Tango); **Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns); **Various: Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980** (Sterns); **Various: The Very Best Of Ethiopiques** (Manteca).

**Andy Palacio & The Garifuna Collective: Watina** (Cumbancha); **Tabu Ley Rochereau: The Voice Of Lightness** (Sterns)

**Ian Green:** Greentrax Recordings Ltd

**Sylvia Barnes: The Colour Of Amber** (Greentrax); **Daimh: Crossing Point** (Greentrax); **Gordon Duncan: Just For Gordon** (Greentrax); **Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Hass: In The Moment** (Culburnie); **Chris Stout Quintet: Devil's Advocate** (Greentrax); **Simon Thoumire and David Milligan: 3rd Flight Home** (Foot Stompin).

**Sandy Bell's Ceilidh:** *From Edinburgh's Famous Folk Bar* (Greentrax); **The Waterons:** *Sound Sound Your Instruments Of Joy* (Topic).

**Alasdair Fraser and Natalie Haas:** *In The Moment* (Culburnie); **Robin Laing:** *One For The Road* (Greentrax)

**Robert Gregor:** Radio DJ / Publisher / Reviewer

**Bajofondo Tango Club:** *Mardulce* (Universal); **Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Sa Ding Ding:** *Alive* (Wrasse / Universal); **Gaudi & Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan:** *Dub Qawwali* (Six Degrees); **Oi Va Voi:** *Oi Va Voi* (V2); **Shantel:** *Disko Partisani* (Essay/Crammed).

**Various:** *Backspin* (Six Degrees); **Various:** *Electric Gypsyland 2* (Crammed); **Various:** *Rhythms Del Mundo* (Universal).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *The Soul Of Armenia* (Network); **Mango Molas:** *Ultima Rumga* (Ga Records)

**Michael Hingston:** fRoots reviewer

**Julie Fowlis:** *Cuilidh* (Shoeshine); **Eilen Jewell:** *Letters From Sinners & Strangers* (Signature); **Megson:** *Smoke Of Home* (EDJ); **Devon Sproule:** *Keep Your Silver Shined* (Tin Angel); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Bembeya Jazz National:** *The Slyphone Years: Hits & Rare Recordings* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **The Waterons:** *Frost And Fire* (Topic); **The Waterons:** *Sound Sound Your Instruments Of Joy* (Topic).

**Bembeya Jazz National:** *The Slyphone Years* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns)

**Roger Holdsworth:** Radio DJ and reviewer, Australia

**Hamavayan Ensemble:** *Ode To Flowers* (Bá Music Records); **Kazband:** *Cockroach And Other Stories* (Own label); **Júlio Pereira:** *Geografias* (Som Livre); **La Mal Coiffée:** *Polyphonies Occitanes* (Modal Plainjeu); **La Talvera:** *Bramadis* (Own label); **Zamballarana:** *Camina* (CASA/Nocturne).

**Lo'Jo and Various Artists:** *Tu Connais Lo'Jo: Chants d'Amis* (Emma-Universal); **Various:** *20 Ways To Float Through Walls* (Crammed); **Various:** *Arctic Paradise 2007* (FIMIC); **Various:** *Songs Of Defiance: Music Of Chechnya & The North Caucasus* (Topic).

**Lo'Jo and Various Artists:** *Tu Connais Lo'Jo* (Emma-Universal); **Esma Redzepova:** *Mon Histoire* (Accords Croisés)

**Ole Holmberg:** Radio DJ / Music & culture reporter

**Gaudi & Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan:** *Dub Qawwali* (Six Degrees); **Tuomo Haapala:** *Det Goda Hatet & Kenen Peraan Hirvet Huutaa* (Bokbandet); **Sanna Kurki-Suonio:** *Huria* (Rockadillo); **Huong Thanh & Nguyen Le:** *Fragile Beauty* (Jazz Musiques Productions/ACT);

**Transglobal Underground:** *Moonshout* (Mule Satellite); **Va Fan Fahre:** *Zet Je Maar* (Zephyrus Records).

**Various:** *New Orleans Brass* (Putumayo); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca); **Vartina:** *25* (SonyBMG); **Women Of Africa:** *Think Global* (Music Network).

**Women of Africa:** *Think Global* (Music Network).

**Albert Hosp:** Radio DJ

**Broadlahn:** *...vom Rand der Welt* (Extraplatte); **Miquel Gil:** *Eixos* (Temps Records); **Knut Johansson:** *Horn Please* (Country & Eastern); **Nifty's:** *Takeshi Express* (Extraplatte); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **June Tabor:** *Apples* (Topic).

**Munir Bachir:** *Master Of The Arab Lute* (Inédit); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Women Of Egypt* (Topic).

**Trio Mediaeval:** *Folk Songs* (ECM); **Various:** *African Virtuosos* (Sterns)

**John Howson:** Musician/ Veteran Records producer/ East Anglian Traditional Music Trust director

**Askew Sisters:** *All In Garden Green* (WildGoose); **Jim Causley:** *Lost Love Found* (WildGoose); **Bobby Casey:** *The Spirit Of West Clare* (Bowhand); **Gordon Easton:** *The Last Of The Clydesdales* (Autumn Harvest); **Frank Harte:** *There's Gangs Of Them Digging* (The Daisy Label); **The Tulla Ceili Band:** *60th Anniversary Celebration* (Claddagh).

**Various:** *The Clare Set* (Free Reed); **Various:** *Hardcore English* (EFDSS).

**Con O Disceoil:** *The Spoon Murders* ().

**Keith Hudson:** Reviews editor *Taplas*

**Kelpie:** *Var Vet Du, Var Veg Deg?* (Westpark); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Moishe's Bagel:** *Salt* (EDM); **Chris Stout Quintet:** *Devil's Advocate* (Greentrax); **Toumast:** *Ishumar* (EMI/Real World).

**The Carter Family:** *Country Folk* (Proper); **Sarah McQuaid:** *When Two Lovers Meet* (Own Ideal).

**Mark Hudson:** Writer / journalist

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Ibrahim Ferrer:** *Mi Sueno* (World Circuit); **Kassin + 2:** *Ponte Final: Futurismo* (Luaka Bop); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Telmary:** *A Diario* (DM Ahora!).

**Willie Colon:** *The Player* (Fania); **Hallelujah Chicken Run Band:** *Take One 1974-79* (); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Colombia* (Soundway).

**Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente)

**Ken Hunt:** Freelance writer / Broadcaster / Translator / Lyricist

**Kaushiki Chakrabarty:** *Kaushiki* (Sense); **Trilok Gurtu & Arke String**

**Quartet:** *Arkeology* (Promo); **David Lindley:** *Big Twang* (DL Inc); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Jenny M Thomas:** *Farewell To Old England* (Own label); **Wenzel:** *Glauht nie, was ich singe* (Conträr).

**Fairport Convention:** *Live At The BBC* (Island); **Woody Guthrie:** *The Live Wire* (Woody Guthrie Foundation & Archives); **Judee Sill:** *Live In London* (Water); **Various:** *South India: Anthology Of Classical Music* (Ocora).

**Szilvia Bognár:** *Ének Őrzi Az Időt – Song Preserves The Heartbeat Of Time* (Gryllus); **Jici Pavlica**

**David Hutcheon:** Writer (*Mojo*, *The Times* and *The Sunday Times*)

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Boubacar Traore:** *Kongo Magni* (Tarabi); **Porter Wagoner:** *Wagonmaster* (Anti).

**Green Arrows:** *4-Track Recording System* (Analog Africa); **Fela Kuti:** *Anthology 1* (Wrasse); **Various:** *Maghreb Soul* (Because); **Various:** *Mexican Boleros: Songs Of Heartbreaking, Passion & Pain 1927-1957* (Trikont).

**Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Colin Irwin:** fRoots reviewer / author

**Fernhill:** *Na Pradle* (Beautiful Jo); **Lisa Knapp:** *Wild And Undaunted* (Ear To The Ground); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village).

**Bessie Smith:** *Blues Queen* (Definitive); **Paul Robeson:** *On My Journey* (Smithsonian Folkways); **Cyril Tawney:** *The Song Goes On* (ADA); **Various:** *Wounded Heart Of America: Songs Of Tom Russell* (Hightone).

**Ron Kavana:** *Irish Ways* (Proper); **Sean O'Riada:** *Saoirse* (Fat Cat)

**Katharina Kane:** Music journalist and researcher

**Youssou N'Dour:** *Rokku mi Rokka* (Nonesuch); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**Jon Kertzer:** Radio DJ The Best Ambiance KEXP-Seattle, USA

**Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Youssou N'Dour:** *Rokku mi Rokka* (Nonesuch); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss:** *Raising Sand* (Rounder); **Mavis Staples:** *We'll Never Turn Back* (ANTI); **Zozo & Sangare Super Beat:** *Pfanelo* (*Human Rights*) Vol 8 (Gallo).

**Bi Kidude:** *Zanzibara 4* (Buda); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Bokoora Beats: Vintage Afro-Beat, Afro-Rock & Electric Highlife from Ghana* (Otrabanda).

**Badakhshan Ensemble:** *Music of Central Asia Vol 5: Song and Dance from the Pamir Mountains* (Smithsonian Folkways); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente)

**David Kidman:** fRoots reviewer

**Mary Gauthier:** *Between Daylight And Dark* (Lost Highway); **Mary Humphreys & Anahata:** *Fenlandia* (WildGoose); **Duncan McFarlane Band:** *All Rogues And Villains* (Dunx Music); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss:** *Raising Sand* (Rounder); **June Tabor:** *Apples* (Topic); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Dr Strangely Strange:** *Halcyon Days* (Hux); **Pentangle:** *The Time Has Come 1967-1973* (Castle); **Steve Tilston:** *Reaching Back* (Free Reed); **Trees:** *On The Shore* (*Expanded Edition*) (Colombia Legacy).

**Ron Kavana:** *Irish Ways* (Proper); **Steve Tilston:** *The Life & Music of Steve Tilston* (Free Reed)

**Michael Kleff:** Editor in Chief of *Folker!* ([www.folker.de](http://www.folker.de)) / Radio producer & host for German public radio / Member of the WMCE panel

**Ry Cooder:** *My Name Is Buddy* (Nonesuch); **Hazmat Modine:** *Bahamut* (Jaro).

**Woody Guthrie:** *The Live Wire* (Woody Guthrie Foundation & Archives).

**Woody Guthrie:** *The Live Wire* (Woody Guthrie Foundation & Archives).

**Włodzimierz Kleszcz:** Polish Radio 1, 2 DJ

**Mari Boine:** *Idjagiedas* (Lean); **Habib Koite & Bamada:** *Afriki* (Cumbancha); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Madilu System:** *La Bonne Heureur* (Sterns Africa); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *Portrait* (Network); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *First Ten Years* (Stonetree).

**Habib Koite & Bamada:** *Afriki* (Cumbancha); **Andy Palacio & The Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha)

**Lilly Ladjevardi:** Music consultant

**Calvin Cameron:** *Wareika Hill Sounds* (Honest Jons); **Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **The Good, The Bad & The Queen:** *The Good, The Bad & The Queen* (Honest Jons); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Various:** *Mexican Boleros: Songs Of Heartbreaking, Passion & Pain 1927-1957* (Trikont); **Various:** *Rare Grooves Reggae 5* (Radio Nova, Nova Records).

**Andy Palacio & The Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Jim Lee:** Contributing editor *Dirty Linen*

**Ambrozijan:** *10* (Home); **Fernhill:** *Na Pradle* (Beautiful Jo); **Jorma**

**Kaukonem:** *Stars In My Crown* (Red House); **Oysterband:** *Meet You There* (Westpark); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Sandy Denny:** *Live At The BBC* (Island); **Fairport Convention:** *Live At The BBC* (Island); **Dave Pegg:** *A Box Of Pegg's* (Matty Grooves); **Pentangle:** *The Time Has Come 1967-1973* (Castle).

**Lara López:** Journalist / Radio DJ

**Kepa Junquera:** *Hiri* (Elkar); **Habib Koite & Bamada:** *Afriki* (Cumbancha); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Shantel:** *Disko Partisani* (Essay/Crammed); **Son De La Frontera:** *Cal* (Nuevos Medios).

**Rail Band:** *Soundiata* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Gerry Lyseight:** Publicist / DJ / Broadcaster

**Ceu:** *Ceu* (whatmusic.com); **Kassin + 2:** *Ponte Final: Futurismo* (Luaka Bop); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Orquestra Imperial:** *Carnaval Só Ano Que Ven* (Totolo); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss:** *Raising Sand* (Rounder); **Mavis Staples:** *We'll Never Turn Back* (ANTI).

**Willie Colon:** *The Player* (Fania); **Pentangle:** *The Time Has Come 1967-1973* (Castle); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Nigeria Special: Modern Highlife, Afro-Sounds & Nigerian Blues* (Soundway).

**Orchestre Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**Ton Maas:** Music writer and broadcaster from the Netherlands

**Boi Akih:** *Yalelol* (Enja); **Kaushiki Chakrabarty:** *Kaushiki* (Sense); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Taksim Trio:** *Taksim Trio* (Doublemoon); **Wouter Vandenabeele:** *Chansons Sans Paroles* (Home).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *Soul Of Armenia* (Network); **Marcel Khalife:** *Jadal* (Connecting Cultures); **Pentangle:** *The Time Has Come 1967-1973* (Castle); **The Watsons:** *Sound Sound Your Instruments Of Joy* (Topic).

**Mercan Dede:** *800* (Double Moon); **Lo Sirong:** *Everyday* (Trees Music & Art)

**Yusuf Mahmoud:** Festival director, Zanzibar

**Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Roberto Fonseca:** *Zamazu* (Enja); **Tiken Jah Fakoly:** *L'African* (Barclay); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Yousouf N'Dour:** *Rokku mi Rokka* (Nonesuch); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**Bi Kidude:** *Zanzibara 4* (Buda); **Rail Band:** *Soundiata* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Various:** *Music & Rhythm: Womad*

*1982-2007* (Womad); **Tom Waits:** *Orphans, Brawlers, Bawlers & Bastards* (Anti)

**Howard Male:** Writer

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bole 2 Harlem:** *Bole 2 Harlem Vol 1* (World Connection); **LaXula:** *In X-ile* (Via Lactea); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *The Cosimo Matassa Story* (Proper); **Various:** *Sounds Of The World 2007* (Warner); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Ersatzmusik:** *Voice Letter* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns)

**Ben Mandelson:** Record producer / Bloke of Bragg & Fiend of Mustapha / Director Fundador WOMEX / GlobeStyle Records person

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Andy Statman:** *On Air* (T&M); **Rayssa Fatima Tabamrant:** *Taghlaghalt* (Institute du Monde Arabe); **Taksim Trio:** *Taksim Trio* (Doublemoon).

**Fairport Convention:** *Liege And Lief Deluxe Edition* (Universal); **Various:** *Poetry & Languid Charm* (Topic); **Various:** *Riba Dempel: Popular Dance Music Of Curaçao 1950-1954* (Otrabanda); **Various:** *Vetettem Gyongyot / Vilagzene Magyarországon: I Sowed Pearls, Hungarian World Music 1972-2006* ( ).

**Bassekou Kouyate:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns)

**Georgios Markakis:** Radio presenter and journalist

**Oghene Kologbo & Afrobeat Academy:** *Remember Fela A Kuti* ( ); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Getachew Mekuria & The X + Friends:** *Moa Anbessa* ( ); **Ale Moller Band:** *Djef Djel* (Amigo); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Sevda:** *Gul Acidi* ( ).

**Eastern Space Cookies:** *Compilation* (Lollipop); **Tsotsi Beat:** *Urban South Africa* (Sheer Music); **Various:** *Belle Epoque Vol 1: The Syliphone Years* (GUL).

**Susan Martinez:** Writer (*CounterPunch*, *Rock & Rap Confidential*), activist and regular world music contributor to *Kick Out The Jams* on Sirius Satellite radio

**Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Bebel Gilberto:** *Momento* (Six Degrees); **Ricardo Lemvo & Makina Loka:** *Isabela* (Mopiat Music); **Pine Leaf Boys:** *Blues de Musicien* (Arhoolie); **Vieux Farka Toure:** *Vieux Farka Toure* (World Village); **Hoku Zuttermeister:** *Aina Kupuna* (Kaleiola Records).

**Cheryl McEnaney:** Strategic marketing consultant.

**Baka Beyond:** *Baka Live* (March Hare); **Gaudi & Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan:** *Dub Qawwali* (Six Degrees); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Tunng:** *Comments From the Inner Chorus* (Full Time Hobby); **Vieux Farka Toure:** *Vieux Farka Toure* (World Village).

**Mickey Hart:** *Planet Drum* (Shout! Factory); **Mickey Hart & Zakir Hussain:** *Diga Rhythm Band* (Shout! Factory); **Various:** *The Imagined Village* (Real World).

**Future Loop Foundation:** *Memories Of A Fading Room* (Louisiana Records/Future Loop Foundation); **Various:** *The Imagined Village* (Real World)

**Andrew McGregor:** Broadcaster and reviewer

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bob Brozman Orchestra:** *Lumiere* (Riverboat Records); **Fanfara Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Ammasu Akapoma Group:** *The Music Of Ammasu* (Country & Eastern); **Hallelujah Chicken Run Band:** *Take One 1974-79* ( ); **Various:** *Gypsy Caravan* (World Village); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Ojos de Brujo:** *Techari Live* (Diqueta); **Various:** *Jupiter's Dance* (Ideale Audience International)

**Ian Menzies:** Artist manager / President, North American World Music Coalition

**Dee Dee Bridgewater:** *Red Earth* (Emarcy); **Gaudi & Nusrat Fateh Ali Khan:** *Dub Qawwali* (Six Degrees); **Angelique Kidjo:** *Djin Djin* (EMI); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Taraf de Haïdouks:** *Maskarada* (Crammed Discs); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Marcel Khalife:** *Tagasim* (Connecting Cultures).

**Drew Miller:** Musician (Boiled In Lead) / Omnium Recordings

**Les Boukakes:** *Bledi* (own label); **Frigg:** *Live* (Own label); **Gogol Bordello:** *Super Tananta!* (Sideonedummy); **Peatbog Faeries:** *What Men Deserve To Lose* (Peatbog); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Vieux Farka Toure:** *Vieux Farka Toure* (World Village).

**The Watsons:** *Frost And Fire* (Topic); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Sofi Mogensen:** *fRoots* Assistant Editor

**Lo Cor De La Plana:** *Tant Deman* (Buda); **Fanfara Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Karl Seglem:** *Urbs*

(Ozella Music); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *Songs Of Defiance: Music Of Chechnya & The North Caucasus* (Topic); **Various:** *Songs Of Survival: Traditional Music Of Georgia* (Topic); **Various:** *Tamburitz! From The Balkans To America 1910-1950* (Arhoolie).

**Various:** *How Low Can You Go? Anthology Of The String Bass 1925-1941* (Dust-To-Digital); **Various:** *West Indian Rhythm* (Bear Family)

**Jim Moray:** Musician

**Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Kate Rusby:** *Awkward Annie* (Pure); **St Vincent:** *Marry Me* (Rough Trade); **June Tabor:** *Apples* (Topic); **Jenny M Thomas:** *Farewell To Old England* (Own label); **Robert Wyatt:** *Comicopera* (Domino).

**Pete Coe:** *Previous*.

**Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal); **Radiohead:** *In Rainbows*

**Andy Morgan:** Manager of Tinariwen / Writer

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **King Creosote:** *Bombshell* (679); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Boban Markovic Orkestar feat. Marko Markovic:** *The Promise* (Piranha); **Ruth Tafebe And The Afro Rockerz:** *Holy Warriors* (Comet); **Taksim Trio:** *Taksim Trio* (Doublemoon).

**Christian Mousset:** Angouleme festival director/ Marabi Records

**Habib Koite & Bamada:** *Afriki* (Cumbancha); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Shantel:** *Disko Partisani* (Essay/Crammed).

**Bembeya Jazz National:** *The Syliphone Years: Hits & Rare Recordings* (Sterns); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Djelimady Tounkara & Super Rail Band:** *Allo Bamako* ( ); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Orchestre Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns)

**Con Murphy:** *fRoots* writer

**17 Hippies:** *Heimlich* (Hipster); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Selim Sesler:** *Anatolian Wedding* (Doublemoon); **Vieux Farka Toure:** *Vieux Farka Toure* (World Village); **Le Trio Joubran:** *Majâz* (Randana).

**Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Sounds Of The World 2007* (Warner); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Esma Redzepova:** *Mon Histoire* (Accords Croisés); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres*

*Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns)

**Chris Nickson:** writer/ fRoots contributor

**Mekons:** *Natural* (Quarterstick); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Kate Rusby:** *Awkward Annie* (Pure); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Vasen:** *Kinnaeus Vasen* (Northside).

**Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango); **Rachid Taha:** *Definitive Collection* (Wrasse); **Various:** *Bachata Roja* (iASO); **Various:** *Tamburitz! From The Balkans To America 1910-1950* (Arhoolie).

**Ben Oldfield:** Marketing manager The Orchard, France

**Bole 2 Harlem:** *Bole 2 Harlem Vol 1* (World Connection); **Boom:** *Pam* (Essay); **Golem:** *Matisyahu* (JDUB); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Alémayèhu Eshètè:** *Ethiopiennes 22* (Buda); **Various:** *Turkish Groove* (Putumayo); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca); **Various:** *Zanzibara 3: Ujamaa* (Buda).

**L'Attirail:** *Kara Deniz* (Les Chantiers Sonores); **Jnan Prakash Ghosh:** *Drums Of India* (Saregama)

**Katerina Pavlakis:** Manager / Tour producer

**Lo Cor De La Plana:** *Tant Deman* (Buda); **Dam:** *Dedication* (Red Circle); **Sevara Nazarkhan:** *Zen* (Real World); **Shantel:** *Disko Partisani* (Essay/Crammed); **Kristi Stassinopoulou:** *Taxidoscopio* (Heaven & Earth); **Rachid Taha:** *Divan 2* (Wrasse).

**Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca).

**John Potter:** Music writer, Japan

**Benjamin Escoriza:** *Alevanta!* (Riverboat/World Music Network); **Yasukatsu Oshima with Geoffrey Keezer:** *Yasukatsu Oshima with Geoffrey Keezer* (Victor); **Patxi Eta Konpania:** *Zubia* (Agorila); **Kate Rusby:** *Awkward Annie* (Pure); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **U-Dou & Platy:** *Buss Up* (Avex).

**Minoru Kinjo:** *Zankyoku Shu 1* (Campus); **Seijin Noborikawa:** *It's Only Seigwa* (Respect); **Various:** *The Imagined Village* (Real World); **Various:** *The Rough Guide To Flamenco* (World Music Network).

**Various:** *Okinawa Minyo Daizen Shu* (Japan Sound Preservations); **Women of Africa:** *Think Global* (Music Network)

**Gordon Potts:** Enthusiast/ king of callers

**Askew Sisters:** *All In Garden Green* (WildGoose); **Glorystrokes:** *Glorystrokes* (Glorystrokes); **Bella Hardy:** *Night Visiting* (Noe); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Richard Thompson:** *Sweet Warrior* (Proper); **Uncle Earl:** *Waterloo, Tennessee* (Rounder).

**Gordon Duncan:** *Just For Gordon* (Greenrux); **Greg Stephens & Crookfinger Jack:** *Beggar Boy Of The North* (Fellside); **Tufty Swift & Sue Harris:** *Hammer & Tongues & A Bakewell Tart* (Free Reed); **The Watsons:** *Sound Sound Your Instruments Of Joy* (Topic).

**Colin Randall:** Folk writer / Salut! Live

**James Keelaghan:** *A Few Simple Verses* (Fellside); **Lau:** *Lightweights & Gentlemen* (Reveal Records); **Jez Lowe:** *Jack Common's Anthem* (Tantobie); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Linda Thompson:** *Versatile Heart* (Decca); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Fairport Convention:** *Liege And Lief Deluxe Edition* (Universal); **Maggie Holland:** *Bones* (Weekend Beatnik); **Various:** *The Imagined Village* (Real World).

**Dave Pegg:** *A Box Of Pegg's* (Matty Grooves).

**Rita Ray:** Club & Radio DJ

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Mexican Institute Of Sound Mis:** *Pinata* (Cooking Vinyl); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Boogaloo Pow Wow* (Honest Jons); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca).

**Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns).

**Dominic Raymond-Barker:** Stern's shop manager

**Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **LaXula:** *In X-ile* (Via Lactea); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Little Cow (Kistehen):** *I'm In Love With Every Lady* (EastBlok); **Transkapela:** *Over The Village* (Ferment); **Dhafer Youssef & Wolfgang Muthspiel:** *Glow* (Material).

**Moussa Doumbia:** *Keleya* (Oriki); **Hallelujah Chicken Run Band:** *Take One 1974-79* (); **Various:** *Zanzibara 3: Ujamaa* (Buda).

**The Green Arrows:** *4-Track Recording Session Vinyl Edition* (Open House/Analog Africa); **Bassekou Kouyate:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here)

**Sally Reeves:** Independent PR

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Max Reinhardt:** DJ / broadcaster / musician

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Abdel Hadi Halo & The El Gusto Orchestra of Algiers:** *Abdel Hadi Halo & The El Gusto Orchestra of*

*Algiers* (Honest Jon); **Shantel:** *Disko Partisani* (Essay/Crammed); **Simpwhe Dana:** *The One Love Movement* (Gallo).

**Hallelujah Chicken Run Band:** *Take One 1974-79* (); **Oum Kalsoum:** *The Legend* (Manteca); **Various:** *Bugalu Tropical Gozalo!* (Vampisoul); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca).

**Various:** *Colors-Inner Asian Pop* (Irma); **Various:** *Downhome Blues Classics - California 1948-1954* (Boulevard Vintage)

**Jamie Renton:** fRoots reviewer / DJ

**Justin Adams & Juldeh Camara:** *Soul Science* (Wayward); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Selim Sesler:** *Anatolian Wedding* (Doublemoon).

**Various:** *Colombia* (Soundway); **Various:** *Doom & Gloom* (Trikont); **Various:** *The Cosimo Matassa Story* (Proper); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca).

**Various:** *Music & Rhythm: Womad 1982-2007* (Womad).

**Christina Roden:** NYC-based blah blah blah

**Gipsy Kings:** *Pasajero* (Nonesuch); **Hugh Masekela:** *Live At The Market Theatre* (Four Quarters); **Papa Noel:** *Café Noir* (Tumi); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Ranarim:** *Morning Star* (Northside); **Caetano Veloso:** *Ce* (Nonesuch).

**Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Gypsy Caravan* (World Village); **Various:** *Roots Of Chicha: Psychedelic Cumbias From Peru* (Barbes); **Various:** *World Hits* (Putumayo).

**Mariza:** *Concerto Em Lisboa* (Times Square Records); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns)

**Dan Rosenberg:** Freelance writer/ CD compilation producer for the *Rough Guide* series

**Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **The Idan Raichel Project:** *The Idan Raichel Project* (Cumbancha); **Angelique Kidjo:** *Djin Djin* (EMI); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss:** *Raising Sand* (Rounder); **Joel Rubin:** *Midnight Prayer* (Traditional Crossroads).

**Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango).

**Tatiana Rucinska - dj Aïcha:** Stockholm-based dj / web channel SR Världen / Listings person for *Songlines*

**Anouar:** *Hommage à Djalal* (Dounia); **Harmonica:** *Bladi* (Belda Diffusion); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Mouss & Hakim:** *Origines Contrôlées* (Wagram); **Toumast:** *Ishumar* (EMI/Real World).

**J.J. Cale:** *Collected* (Universale); **Various:** *Sounds Of The World 2007* (Warner); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca).

**Tiris:** *Sandtracks* (Sandblast).

**Jay Rutledge:** Out Here Records label / Radio presenter (member of WMCE charts) / Journalist

**Ersatzmusik:** *Voice Letter* (Asphalt Tango); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Hazmat Modine:** *Bahamut* (Jaro); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha).

**Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Bombay Talkies: Amitabh Bachchan* (Local); **Various:** *The Edge Of Heaven* (Essay).

**The Green Arrows:** *4-Track Recording Session Vinyl Edition* (Open House/Analog Africa); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns)

**Philip Ryalls:** Photographer

**Mayra Andrade:** *Navega* (Sterns); **Julie Fowlis:** *Cuilidh* (Shoeshine); **Lisa Knapp:** *Wild And Undaunted* (Ear To The Ground); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Vieux Farka Toure:** *Vieux Farka Toure* (World Village); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Rail Band:** *Soundiata* (Sterns); **Various:** *Sounds Of The World 2007* (Warner); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca); **Various:** *Zanzibara 3: Ujamaa* (Buda).

**Liu Fang:** *Le Son De Soie* (Accords Croises); **Various:** *The Stuff That Dreams Are Made Of* (Yazoo)

**Rick Sanders:** fRoots reviewer / musician

**Kenge Kenge:** *Introducing Kenge Kenge* (Introducing); **Konono No 1:** *Live At Couleur Café* (Crammed); **Madilu System:** *La Bonne Humeur* (Sterns Africa); **Oliver Mutukudzi:** *Tsimba Itsoka* (Heads Up).

**Green Arrows:** *4-Track Recording System* (Analog Africa); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Lesotho Calling* (SWP); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiennes* (Manteca).

**Miguel Santos:** Atlantic Waves Festival director / Resonance FM presenter / Record compiler

**Mayra Andrade:** *Navega* (Sterns); **Bajafondo Tango Club:** *Mar Dulce* (Universal); **Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Sa Ding Ding:** *Alive* (Wrasse / Universal); **Taraf de Haïdouks:** *Maskarada* (Crammed Discs).

**Various:** *Doom & Gloom* (Trikont); **Various:** *Forro Acustico Vol 1* (Cinq Planètes); **Various:** *Poetry & Languid Charm* (Topic); **Various:** *What's Happening In Pernambuco?* *New Sounds Of The Brazilian Northeast* (Luaka Bop).

**Rabih Abou-Khalil:** *Songs For Sad Women* (Enja); **Marcel Khalife:** *Tagasim* (Connecting Cultures)

**Iika Schlockermann:** Publicist / Content editor of Africa On Your Street website / artist manager / occasional DJ

**Colombiafrica - The Mystic Orchestra:** *Voodoo Love Inna Champeta Land* (Riverboat);

**Angelique Kidjo:** *Djin Djin* (EMI); **K'Naan:** *The Dusty Foot On The Road* (Allother / Wrasse); **Massukos:** *Bumping* (Poo Productions); **Mokobe Du 113:** *Mon Afrique* (Sony BMG); **Tic Tac:** *Accra Connection* (TN Records).

**Rachid Taha:** *Definitive Collection* (Wrasse); **Various:** *Soca Gold 2007* (VP Records); **Various:** *The Rough Guide To North African Café* (World Music Network); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Derek Schofield:** Editor *English Dance & Song* magazine

**Jim Causley:** *Lost Love Found* (WildGoose); **Bella Hardy:** *Night Visiting* (Noe); **Lisa Knapp:** *Wild And Undaunted* (Ear To The Ground); **Last Orders:** *Last Orders* (Fellside); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**The Brazil Family:** *Down By The Old Riverside* (Musical Traditions); **Martin Carthy & Dave Swarbrick:** *Both Ears And The Tail* (Topic); **Cyril Tawney:** *The Song Goes On* (ADA); **Various:** *A Story To Tell*.

**June Tabor:** *Apples* (Topic).

**Iain Scott:** Triple Earth

**Barorisi Ba Morena:** *Manyeloi* (Gallo); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **King Ayisoba:** *Modern Ghanaians* (Pidgen Music); **MNO:** *Session De Rossiers* (Six Degrees).

**Berthold Seliger:** Agent

**Gogol Bordello:** *Super Tananta!* (Sideonedummy); **Bratsch:** *Plein Du Monde* (EMI); **Denis Cuniot:** *Confidential Klezmer* (Buda); **Konono No 1:** *Live At Couleur Café* (Crammed); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *Soul Of Armenia* (Network); **Tabu Ley Rochereau:** *The Voice Of Lightness* (Sterns); **Various:** *Mexican Boleros: Songs Of Heartbreaking, Passion & Pain 1927-1957* (Trikont); **Various:** *O Bittre Zeit: Lagerlieder 1933 bis 1945* (DIZ Emslandlager, Papenburg).

**Christine Semba:** Womex

**Ersatzmusika:** *Voice Letter* (Asphalt Tango); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Getachew Mekuria & The X + Friends:** *Moa Anbessa* (); **Orquestra Imperial:** *Carnaval Sô Ano Que Ven* (Totolo); **Taksim Trio:** *Taksim Trio* (Doublemoon); **Tumi & The Volume:** *Tumi & The Volume* (Sakifo Records).

**Bembeya Jazz National:** *The Syliphone Years: Hits & Rare Recordings* (Sterns); **Various:** *Gilles Peterson: Fania DJ Series* (Fania); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca); **Various:** *West Indian Rhythms* (Bear Family).

**Various:** *West Indian Rhythm* (Bear Family).

**Vic Smith:** *fRoots* reviewer / Radio DJ / Musician / Club organiser

**Les Chauffeurs A Pieds:** *Au Studio Des Trois Lits* (Scorbut); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **John Kirkpatrick:** *Carolling & Crumpets* (Flegd'ling); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Charlie Lennon & Friends:** *Turning The Tune* (Clo lar Chonnachta); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**The Brazil Family:** *Down By The Old Riverside* (Musical Traditions); **Hallelujah Chicken Run Band:** *Take One 1974-79* (); **Dona Dumitru Siminca:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 3* (Asphalt Tango); **"Peerie" Willie Johnson:** *Willie's World* (Greenstrax).

**Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *Gypsy Caravan: When The Road Bends* (World Village)

**Neil Sparkes:** Musician / Producer

**Bajafondo Tango Club:** *Mar Dulce* (Universal); **K'Naan:** *The Dusty Foot On The Road* (Allother / Wrasse); **Konono No 1:** *Live At Couleur Café* (Crammed); **LaXula:** *In X-ile* (Via Lactea); **Chavela Vargas:** *Cupaima* (Tropical Music).

**Leonard Cohen:** *Songs Of Love And Hate* (Columbia/Legacy); **Champion Jack Dupree:** *Shake Baby Shake* (SPV Blue); **Burl Ives:** *Songs From Rock Candy Mountain* (Rev-Ola); **Jelly Roll Morton:** *The Library Of Congress Recordings By Alan Lomax* (Rounder).

**Incredible String Band:** *Across The Airwaves: BBC Radio Recordings 1969-1974* (Hux); **Various:** *Music & Rhythm: Womad 1982-2007* (Womad)

**Neil Spencer:** Observer writer / journalist

**Youssou N'Dour:** *Rokku mi Rokka* (Nonesuch); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss:** *Raising Sand* (Rounder); **Alasdair Roberts:** *The Amber Gatherers* (); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Anne Briggs:** *The Time Has Come* (Sony BMG); **Willie Colon:** *The Player* (Fania); **Fairport Convention:** *Liege And Lief Deluxe Edition* (Universal); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Orchestre Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**Michael Stone:** *fRoots* contributor / *RootsWorld* contributing editor

**Choro Ensemble:** *Nosso Tempo* (Anzic); **Roberto Fonseca:** *Zamazú* (Enja); **Niño Josele:** *Paz* (Calle 54); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Omar Sosa:** *Promise* (Otá Melodia); **Chavela Vargas:** *Cupaima* (Tropical Music).

**Abyssinians:** *Satta Massagana* (Heartbeat-Rounder); **Jelly Roll Morton:** *The Library Of Congress Recordings By Alan Lomax* (Rounder); **Various:** *Musica Tradicional do Norte e Nordeste 1938* (Municipal Culture Secretariat of São Paulo); **Various:** *Riba Dempel: Popular Dance*

*Music Of Curaçao 1950-1954* (Otrabanda).

**Andy Palacio & The Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Various:** *Musica Tradicional do Norte e Nordeste 1938* (Municipal Culture Secretariat of São Paulo)

**Rod Stradling:** *Musical Traditions* web site editor / musician

**Frank Harte:** *There's Gangs Of Them Digging* (The Daisy Label); **Brian McNamara & Tim Collins:** *Reed Only* (Drumlin).

**David Suff:** Archivist Flegd'ling records

**Steve Ashley:** *Time & Tide* (Topic); **Ry Cooder:** *My Name Is Buddy* (Nonesuch); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Robert Plant & Alison Krauss:** *Raising Sand* (Rounder); **Martin Simpson:** *Prodigal Son* (Topic); **Linda Thompson:** *Versatile Heart* (Decca).

**Anne Briggs:** *The Time Has Come* (Sony BMG).

**Ry Cooder:** *My Name Is Buddy* (Nonesuch); **Various:** *People Take Warning! Murder Ballads & Disaster Songs 1913-1938* (Tompkins Square)

**Alessio Surian:** Music journalist

**Adjagas:** *Adjagas* (Ever Records); **Maria Bethania:** *Pirata* (Biscoito Fino); **Hariprasad Chaurasia:** *Sans* (Navras); **Tinariwen:** *Aman Iman Water Is Life* (Independiente); **Uaragniaun:** *Udiavule e l'acqua sante* (Felmay); **Unavantaluna:** *Unavantaluna - Cumpagnia Ri Musica Siciliana* (Finisterre).

**Ray Barretto:** *Latin Soul Man* (Fania); **Calicanto:** *25 Anni Calicanto 1981-2006* (Felmay); **Various:** *Sevdalinka* (Piranha).

**Maria Bethania:** *Pirata* (Biscoito Fino).

**Esther Tewkesbury:** Label manager / distributor

**Bjork:** *Volta* (One Little Indian); **Yasmin Levy:** *Mano Suave* (World Village); **Malouma:** *Nour* (Marabi); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Transglobal Underground:** *Moonshout* (Mule Satellite); **Rachel Unthank & The Winterset:** *The Bairns* (Rabble Rouser).

**Green Arrows:** *4-Track Recording System* (Analog Africa); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Colombia* (Soundway); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **The Green Arrows:** *4-Track Recording Session Vinyl Edition* (Open House/Analog Africa)

**Johannes Theurer:** Radio presenter / editor

**Siyavush Kerimi Altiplano:** *Transatlantic Non-Stop* (Kirkelig Kulturverksted); **Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango); **Edyta Geppert & Kroke:** *Spiewam Zycie* (Oriente); **Angelique Kidjo:** *Djin Djin* (EMI); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Viorica & Ionitsa Clejani Express:** *A Devla* (Network Medien).

**Various:** *East 2 West*

(Doublemoon); **Various:** *O La Latina* (Discos Fuentes); **Various:** *Shtetl Superstars* (Trikont); **Various:** *Urban Africa Club* (Out Here).

**Fanfare Ciocarlia:** *Queens & Kings* (Asphalt Tango).

**Yves Thibord:** DJ France-Inter, Radio Nova, Mondomix

**Bole 2 Harlem:** *Bole 2 Harlem Vol 1* (World Connection); **Bonde Do Role:** *Bondo Do Role With Lasers* (Mad Decent); **Calle 13:** *Residente O Visitante* (TBR); **Cheikha Rabia:** *Liberti* (Dinamyte); **Desi Dark Child:** *Curfew* (Nachural); **Dhira:** *Dhira* (Universal Spain).

**Africando:** *Classic Titles* (Syllart Productions); **Franco:** *Classic* (Syllart Productions).

**Tõnu Timm:** Estonian Radio DJ

**Les Freres Guisse & Leoni Jansen:** *Nina* (Noon Records); **Themba Mkhize:** *Scenes From South Africa* (Skip Records); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Andy Palacio & the Garifuna Collective:** *Watina* (Cumbancha); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit); **Rosa Zaragoza:** *Tarra De Jueus* ().

**Rail Band:** *Soundiata* (Sterns); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Electric Gypsyland 2* (Crammed); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**German Diaz:** *Musica Para Manivelas* (Galileo); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca)

**Jean Trouillet:** Essay Recordings' chief cook & bottle washer / Radio presenter / Journalist

**K'Naan:** *The Dusty Foot On The Road* (Allother / Wrasse); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Louis Mhlanga:** *World Traveller* (Sheer Sound); **Youssou N'Dour:** *Rokku mi Rokka* (Nonesuch); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**Alémayèhu Eshètè:** *Ethiopiques 22* (Buda); **Various:** *Achili Funk: Gipsy Soul 1969-1979* (Love Monk); **Various:** *Authenticité Guinea's Orchestres Nationaux et Federaux 1965-1980* (Sterns); **Various:** *Jamaica Funk: Original Jamaican Funk & Soul 45s* (Soul Jazz).

**Alim & Fargana Qasimov:** *Spiritual Music of Azerbaijan* (Music Of Central Asia / Smithsonian); **Various:** *Music & Rhythm: Womad 1982-2007* (Womad)

**Bill Trythall:** Discovery Records

**Abdel Hadi Halo & The El Gusto Orchestra of Algiers:** *Abdel Hadi Halo & The El Gusto Orchestra of Algiers* (Honest Jon); **Levon Helm:** *Dirt Farmer* (Vanguard); **Marissa Nadler:** *Songs III: Bird On The Water* (Peacefrog); **Dino Saluzzi & Ani Alechner:** *Ojos Negros* (ECM); **Richard Thompson:** *Sweet Warrior* (Proper); **Vieux Farka Toure:** *Vieux Farka Toure* (World Village).

**Shirley Collins:** *Sweet Prime-Roses* (Topic); **Culture:** *Two Sevens Clash: 30th Anniversary Edition* (Shanachie); **John Fahey:** *Fare Forward Voyagers* (Takoma); **Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango).

**Steve Tilston:** *The Life & Music of Steve Tilston* (Free Reed); **Various:** *People Take Warning! Murder Ballads & Disaster Songs 1913-1938* (Tompkins Square)

**Guillaume Veillet:** Editor *Trad Magazine* (France)

**Stevie Barr with Friends:** *Along The Crooked Road* (Arhoolie); **I Cantori Di Bagheria:** *Canzuna a la Carrittera* (Fonti Musicali); **Lo Cor De La Plana:** *Tant Deman* (Buda); **Gasconha Plus:** *En Dançar* (Own label); **June Tabor:** *Apples* (Topic); **La Talvera:** *Bramadis* (Own label).

**Bielorussie:** *Musiques Traditionnelles* (Ocora Radio France); **Toni Iordache:** *Sounds From A Bygone Age Vol 4* (Asphalt Tango); **Various:** *Mille Metiers, Mille Chansons* (Dastum); **Various:** *Songs Of Defiance: Music Of Chechnya & The North Caucasus* (Topic).

**Zepherin Castellon:** *Síblar e Cantar en Vesubia* (Modal); **Various:** *Mille Metiers, Mille Chansons* (Dastum)

**Paul Vernon:** Writer / researcher / obsessive discographer

**John Lee Hooker:** *John Lee Hooker boxed set* (Proper); **Various:** *How Low Can You Go: Anthology Of The String Bass 1925-1941* (Dust-to-Digital); **Various:** *I Belong To That Band* (Dust-to-Digital); **Smokey Wilson:** *Smokey Wilson* (Ace).

**Various:** *How Low Can You Go? Anthology Of The String Bass 1925-1941* (Dust-To-Digital).

**Geoff Wallis:** *fRoots* writer

**Kevin Burke & Cal Scott:** *Across The Black River*; **Breda Keville:** *The Hop Down*; **Mozaik:** *Changing Trains*; **No Crows:** *At The Strand: Live*; **Chris Wood:** *Trespasser* (RUF); **John Wynne & John McEvoy:** *Pride Of The West*.

**Con Cassidy:** *Traditional Fiddle Music From Donegal* (); **The Raineys:** *The Raineys* (Pavee Point); **Various:** *The Clare Set* (Free Reed); **Various:** *Traditional Irish Recordings from 1923 to 1947* (Oldtime Records).

**The Raineys:** *The Raineys* (Pavee Point).

**Alex Webb:** Press officer / Musician

**Dee Dee Bridgewater:** *Red Earth* (Emarcy); **Maria Rita:** *Samba Meu* (); **Orchestra Baobab:** *Made In Dakar* (World Circuit).

**Chris Williams:** *fRoots* reviewer

**Aman Aman:** *Musica i Cants Sefardis d'Orient i Occident* (Galileo); **Murat Aydemir & Derya Türkan:** *Ahenk Volume 2* (Golden Horn); **Ays Egül:** *N'ettim size* (Lber); **Mircan:** *Sâlâ* (UCM); **Feryal Öney:** *Bulutlar Geçer* (Kalan); **Guy Schalom:** *Baladi Blues* (Ethnomusic).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *Soul Of Armenia* (Network); **Hafiz Kemal Bey:** *Vasfini Bu Resme Tertip Ettiiiler... (Your Soul, Captured In A Painting)* (Kalan); **Apostolos Nikolaidis:** *O Gialinos Kosmos* (Alpha); **Various:** *Yayla* (Kalan).

**Djivan Gasparian:** *The Soul Of Armenia* (Network); **Hafiz Kemal Bey:** *Vasfini Bu Resme Tertip Ettiiiler* (Kalan)

**Nigel Williamson:** Writer

**Manu Chao:** *La Radiolina* (Because).

**Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca).

**Phil Wilson:** *fRoots* reviewer

**Sylvia Barnes:** *The Colour Of Amber* (Greentrax); **Bassekou Kouyate & Ngoni Ba:** *Segu Blue* (Out Here); **Moonshine:** *First Run* (Secret); **Kong Nay:** *Mekong Delta Blues* (Long Tale); **Mavis Staples:** *We'll Never Turn Back* (ANTI); **Radik Tülüş:** *Tyva: Spirits Of My Land* (Seven Stars).

**Various:** *Awon Ajise Olorun: Popular Music In Yorubaland (Savannahphone)*; **Various:** *Colonial Dance Bands* (SWP); **Various:** *The Very Best Of Ethiopiques* (Manteca); **Goro Yamaguchi:** *A Bell Ringing In The Empty Sky* (Nonesuch).