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Does power have its own specific sound? Or: How do sounds in combination with other media function specifically in courtly rituals of the premodern era? And: What reactions and associations did they trigger in the ritual community? These and other central questions are the focus of the SNSF project “The Sound of Power: Sound as an Intermedial Category of Courtly Festive Rituals in an Intercultural Perspective in the 15th – 17th Centuries”, which is based at the University of Bern. The focus is on the courtly cultures of the Ottoman Empire, with special attention to the circumcision ceremonies that Murad III held for his sons for a full 52 days at the Hippodrome in Istanbul in 1582, and various rituals of the Burgundian-Habsburg sphere of the second half of the 15th century, such as the Banquet of the Pheasant in Lille (1454), the Trier princely meeting (1473) or the election and coronation of Maximilian I as Roman-German king in Aachen (1486). These events, among others, will be issued to demonstrate by a cross-cultural approach how sounds were involved in demonstrations, representations, and displays of princely power, and how power was expressed specifically in the medium of sound. Special emphasis will be laid on the performance and interaction between the media, since ritual and ceremony consciously made use of the different sensual worlds of experience in order to be emotionally tangible and experienceable, to trigger the desired effect of an exaggeration, even overwhelming. In this context, forms of idealization are also problematized, such as the perception of others in words, sound, or image, and the transfer between the different courtly spheres.

The conference would like to broaden the view and include, in addition to the dynasties mentioned, other court cultures within and outside the European sphere and discuss fundamental anthropological tendencies of a model of domination and sound. We are glad to introduce our international and comprehensive meeting after the online workshops, which served as preparative for this conference, “Sonic Rituals Ottoman, Habsburg & Burgundian Festivities (15th – 17th Centuries) From an Intermedial Perspective”, which held on 4–5 September 2020 in cooperation with the Orient-Institut Istanbul and “Between Court and City: Soundscapes of Power in East and West (15th – 17th Centuries)”, which held on 5 February 2021, organized and conducted by the same team.

We hope you enjoy the conference!

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Sovereign Power and the Place of Pleasure: Musical Patronage in Mughal India, 1593–1707

Katherine Butler Schofield

This lecture examines the place of Hindustani music and its relationship with personal control and sovereign power at the Mughal court in India, roughly from the last decade of emperor Akbar’s reign (from 1593) until the death of Aurangzeb ‘Alamgir in 1707. Mughal understandings of the human being, and thus of the social and political worlds, were dominated by two parallel binaries deriving from the Persianate discourse on ethics and proper governance: 1) the inner struggle between reason and the emotions anger and desire; and 2) the outer struggle between duty and pleasure. For virtue to prevail, reason and duty must ultimately master desire and pleasure. This mastery had to be displayed to the world if it were to be deemed a virtue at all.

Hindustani music was understood in Mughal writings as having the power to generate the potent emotions of joy, love, and longing, all of which belonged to the domain of desire. Musical patronage and connoisseurship therefore became a major social and political arena in which a Mughal courtier’s inner struggle to place desire under rational control could be outwardly manifested. Patronage and connoisseurship of music, recited poetry, dance, youthful beauty, and other evanescent phenomena were the core practices of the domain of pleasure in the Mughal world, conducted largely within the intimate social institution of the majlis or mahfil (assembly). While listening to music in the majlis could be dangerous to the Mughal man as a potential threat to his power, at the same time music was indispensable to Mughal sovereignty because of its use value in fortifying the primary Mughal virtue of male-to-male affection, as a cure for physical and mental disease, and as a primary technology underpinning sovereign power.

Katherine Butler Schofield is a historian of music and listening in Mughal India and the paracolonial Indian Ocean, based at King’s College.
London. Through stories about alluring courtesans, legendary maestros, and captivated patrons, she writes on sovereignty and selfhood, affection and desire, sympathy and loss, and power, worldly and strange. In 2011–16 she was Principal Investigator of a €1.18M European Research Council grant, “Musical Transitions to European Colonialism in the Eastern Indian Ocean”, which examined the history of transitions from pre-colonial to colonial musical fields in India and the Malay world c. 1750–1900, through multilingual, intermedial, and stereophonic research methods. Working largely with Persian, and latterly Urdu, sources for Hindustani music c. 1570–1860, Katherine’s general research interests lie in the areas of Persianate and South Asian music and visual art; the history of Mughal India (1526–1858); Islam; empire; and the intersecting histories of the emotions, the senses, aesthetics, ethics, and the supernatural. An author of many essays, Katherine’s latest book, *Music and Musicians in Late Mughal India: Histories of the Ephemeral, 1748–1858*, will be out with Cambridge University Press in 2022. She is also the editor with Francesca Orsini of *Tellings and Texts: Music, Literature, and Performance in North India* (Open Book, 2015), and with Margrit Pernau and Imke Rajamani *Monsoon Feelings: A History of Emotions in the Rain* (Niyogi, 2018). Katherine is a keen podcaster, and her six-part “Histories of the Ephemeral” series, based on her 2018 British Academy Mid-Career Fellowship, is available on Soundcloud, iTunes, and wherever you download your podcasts. She has also published extensively under her previous name, Katherine Butler Brown.

**What’s All This Noise? Exploring the Soundscapes of the Early Modern Courts: Chances and Challenges**

Harriet Rudolph

Without doubt, sound formed a vital element of court performances in the early modern period. The potentially infinite variety of atextual sounds played a central role in the “concert” of media that may be observed at princely courts. Nevertheless, it often remained underexposed in studies of courtly representation because it possessed a strongly ephemeral quality. For unlike the image and the text used in court performances, sound could never be fixed in similar media and received by the same sense. Sound performances had to be translated into a two-dimensional text thereby skipping all their auditive and haptic forms of
perception. We are only able to examine rulers’ courts in their function as sound producers as well as spaces of sound reception by analyzing their often diffuse and topical practices of description, which as such were also subject to historical change. For this reason, sound historians like to warn, that we can no more hear the past than we can read or see it. This statement does not get to the heart of the issue, however. Because of the insurmountable medial difference between sound event and sound description as well as the high susceptibility to interference that characterized “höfische Hallräume” (J. J. Berns) in early modern times, we can hear the past even less than we are able read and see it.

Having said that I argue that there is not any sense in foregoing an analysis of the soundscapes of the Early Modern courts because of the fundamental importance of sound for any courtly representation even if it was reflected by ostentatious silence. I inquire particularly into the special achievements of auditory media as an indispensable element of courtly performance, in their potential added value compared to visual and textual media applied at the same time. I differentiate between the everyday soundtrack of early modern rulers’ courts and that within the framework of an elaborate courtly festive culture, which can be observed above all in courts with a claim to leadership in power politics and court culture as well as a role model function for smaller courts. In a systematic approach, I am going to compare selected performance contexts in which auditory media took on multiple and partly contradictory functions, but for which we can also observe varying spatial, cultural, intellectual sound barriers, as is the case in the context of ceremonial and ritual practices. Furthermore, I ask about the mechanisms with which early modern experts of courtly representation tried to limit the potential fragility of auditory media, to give them special power in the cacophony of different forms of courtly representation, and thus about pre-modern sound regimes, as far as we are able to detect them.

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Sight and Sound of Power. Communication Strategies of Papal Rituals in Early Modern Rome

Tobias C. Weißmann

The rituals and liturgical celebrations of the early modern papacy were characterised by a multitude of visual and sonic elements. Even the election of a Pontiff was proclaimed acoustically by a precise sound choreography: After the cardinal secretary had announced the name of the new Pope from the Benediction loggia to the people gathered in St. Peter’s Square, drummers and trumpeters played and salutes were fired by the Swiss guardsmen posted in front of the cathedral. Then loud gun salvos rang out from Castel Sant’Angelo, while the bells of all the churches of Rome successively took up the chimes of St. Peter’s Basilica and spread the joyful news throughout the city, uniting it into one great sound space. When the newly elected Pontiff appeared on the balcony of St. Peter’s for the first time, this acoustic staging was repeated again.

A few days or weeks later the Possesso, the procession in which the new Pope passed from St. Peter’s to the Lateran to symbolically take possession of his capital, was a magnificent ceremonial performative staging with which the Pontiff and his court presented themselves to the people. Papal and municipal pipers, drummers and trumpeters announced the procession, which was attended by cardinals...
and other functionaries of the papal court, representatives of the municipality and the nobility, ambassadors of foreign powers and other ecclesiastical and secular groups. Salutes could be heard at certain symbolic locations, such as the Capitoline Hill, and cannonades were fired when passing the Castel Sant’Angelo, the papal military base. The ephemeral triumphal arches, whose pictorial programmes glorified the Pope and placed him in the tradition of ancient emperors, were accompanied by instrumental ensembles. In the evening a firework, whose spectacular play of light and sound was deliberately generated by the papal bombardieri, visibly and audibly united the entire city space in a sign of joy.

For the canonisation ceremonies, which were the high points of the papal festive culture, the crossing and the presbytery of St. Peter’s Basilica were transformed into a spacious teatro with numerous tribunes and boxes in which the leading functionaries of the Curia, Roman society and the national factions were seated in accordance with the ceremonial. The elaborate iconographic programme of the festive decorations visualised the miracles of the new saints to the faithful. After the Pope had confirmed the canonisation, a curtain was drawn aside to reveal an image of the new saint, while the Cappella Giulia sang a solemn Te Deum. Outside the basilica, the Te Deum was answered by the playing of drums and trumpets and the firing of muskets, after which canonades and the ringing of the bells of all the churches of Rome proclaimed the joyful news throughout the city.

In this paper, the central rituals of the early modern papacy will be interpreted as performative means of communication that aimed to emotionalise the population and to convey concrete messages through visual and sonic elements. The dual strategy of representation aimed both to demonstrate social hierarchies at the papal court and within Roman society and to make the of power of the papacy and the Roman Catholic Church tangible to the senses.

The basis of the study, which methodically combines new approaches from art history, musicology, sound studies and cultural sciences, is the evaluation of printed and hand-written festival records, avvisi and self-testimonies, account books, pictorial representations and the diaries of the papal masters of ceremonies.

After graduating in Art History and Musicology from Humboldt University Berlin, Tobias Weißmann took his D. Phil from Humboldt University in 2019.
with a dissertation on the interrelation of visual arts, sound and music in the festival culture of the European powers in 17th and 18th century Rome. The interdisciplinary study was awarded the Rudolf Arnheim Prize in 2019. From 2007 to 2015 he worked for the research project “REQUIEM – The Roman Papal and Cardinal Tombs of the Early Modern Age”. He held scholarships at the Deutsches Studienzentrum in Venedig (2014–2015), the German Historical Institute in Rome (2015), the Bibliotheca Hertziana – Max-Planck-Institute for Art History Rome (2015–2017) and the Leibniz Institute for European History Mainz (2018). Since 2018 he has been working as postdoctoral lecturer at the Institute for Art History and Musicology at Johannes Gutenberg University Mainz, where he combines the two subjects in teaching and research. As a research associate he works for the research project “CANTORIA – Music and Sacred Architecture” at Mainz University, and since 2020 he has been head of the scientific network “Religious Plurality. The Perception of Religious Differentiation as Reflected in the Arts, Theologies and Society of the Long 19th Century”, funded by the German Research Foundation (DFG). Recently the Academy of Sciences and Literature Mainz appointed him a member of the Young Academy.

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“Pour consideracion des bons et aggreables services”: dons, musiciens et communication politique à la cour de Bourgogne (1404–1467)

Baptiste Rameau

La cour de Bourgogne au XVᵉ siècle offre sans aucun doute l’un des exemples curiaux le plus complexe et le plus riche à la fin du Moyen Âge. À ces deux constatations s’ajoute une troisième, propre à l’histoire de la musique européenne: la domination sans partage sur l’art de la composition écrite par cinq générations de musiciens, nés et formés dans un espace géographique allant de la Picardie à Amsterdam. En d’autres termes, des hommes appartenant à un territoire allant de la Bourgogne actuelle aux limites septentrionales des Pays-Bas, constitué et gouverné par les ducs Valois de Bourgogne.


Reprenant l’ensemble du dossier grâce aux comptes généraux des hôtels ducaux de Jean sans Peur et Philippe le Bon (1404–1467), cette étude a l’ambition de mettre en lumière les musiciens au service du prince, à travers le prisme des dons.
Au-delà du portrait, elle entend aussi et surtout illustrer l’un des aspects de la communication politique et symbolique de ces deux princes de la maison Valois de Bourgogne.

**Baptiste Rameau**, Professeur agrégé d’Histoire depuis 2016 et doctorant à l’Université de Bourgogne-Franche-Comté depuis 2019, sous la direction de Mme Clouzot (Université de Bourgogne-Franche-Comté) et M. Mattéoni (Université Paris 1 – Panthéon-Sorbonne), mes recherches portent sur l’économie du don sous les ducs Valois de Bourgogne Jean sans Peur et Philippe le Bon (1404–1467), en lien avec les thématiques de la communication politique et symbolique ainsi que les pratiques de gouvernement au Moyen Âge. S’inscrivant dans le vaste renouvellement historiographique de l’histoire politique à travers l’analyse des réseaux, ou network analysis, ce projet possède deux objectifs majeurs: - appréhender les formes et les pratiques du don à la fin du Moyen Âge, à travers l’exemple d’une pratique princière; - mieux saisir le fonctionnement du gouvernement ducal bourguignon en nous appuyant sur la force et la puissance des réseaux qui irriguèrent et façonnèrent cette principauté plurielle et évolutive entre 1404 et 1467. En définitive, ce projet de recherche s’inscrit plus globalement dans la vaste réflexion sur les cultures politiques et les rythmes du lien social à la fin du Moyen Âge, liant intimement pratiques politiques et réseaux.

**Maximilian I and the Musical Experiences of Bianca Maria Sforza**

Helen Coffey

On 16 March 1494, the marriage of Maximilian I and Bianca Maria Sforza was celebrated in St. Jacob’s church, Innsbruck, with, according to one account, music performed by excellent singers and instrumentalists, including playing on a “fine organ”. The wedding had taken place by proxy in Milan on 30 November 1493, Maximilian represented by Margrave Christoph of Baden, and Bianca Maria had then left Italy on 5 December with a large entourage including members of her family. She finally arrived at Maximilian’s Innsbruck residence on 22 December, where, in the emperor’s absence, she was entertained over the Christmas period by the ageing Archduke of Austria, Sigmund, and his young wife Katharina. The celebrations continued in the weeks that followed, with the
newly-weds finally meeting on 9 March in the nearby town of Hall, soon returning to Innsbruck for what would be the culmination of the wedding festivities. This paper will explore the musical experiences of Bianca Maria Sforza following her arrival in Maximilian’s lands. It will consider the political significance of the Habsburg-Sforza union and how musicians were employed in the courtly rituals that welcomed and celebrated the new queen. In doing so, it will examine several aspects of the court ceremonial in which Bianca Maria was involved, not only in Innsbruck but also in other locations across the Habsburg territories.

Helen Coffey is Senior Lecturer in Music at the Open University, UK. Her DPhil (Oxford University, 2006) explored the patronage of civic instrumentalists in the Holy Roman Empire of Maximilian I. She has recently been working on a number of essays for “Musikleben des Spätmittelalters in der Region Österreich”, a project based at the University of Vienna, and began a Leverhulme Fellowship in January 2021 for the book project Music and Empire: Instrumental Sounds in the World of Maximilian I. Helen was previously awarded a British Academy grant to research music at the Electoral court of George I and is co-editor of the five volumes George Frideric Handel: Collected Documents (Cambridge University Press, 2013, forthcoming).

Marian Devotion as Expression of Power. Aspects of Repertoire and Political Representation at the Court of Margaret of Austria

Daniel Tiemeyer

Margaret of Austria, governess of the Habsburg-Burgundian Low Countries from 1507 to 1515 and again from 1517 until her death in 1530, was one of the most important female rulers of her time. Her regency was not only characterized by shrewd politics and high diplomatic skills, but she also established the city of Mechelen as one of the major political and cultural centers in Northern Europe. Alongside her patronage of poetry, the arts and architecture, Margaret was a formidable sponsor and commissioner of music. Beyond her strong personal interest in music, Margaret’s musical patronage was religious in essence. In particular, the numerous musical pieces devoted to Marian topi functioned as acoustic reverberations of a publicly emphasized Marian devotion.
Indeed, when one looks at the repertoire that was written in the codices produced at her court in the Alamire workshops, a very pronounced focus on Marian topoi becomes immediately palpable. This trend culminates within the œuvre of her most important “court composer”, Pierre de la Rue (ca. 1452–1518), who spent almost his entire career in service of Habsburg rulers and whose rich array of more than 30 mass ordinaries numbers at least 13 entries that are based directly or indirectly on Marian chants. In spite of the preponderance of La Rue in the Alamire manuscripts, this phenomenon can also be tracked in the works of other composers who worked at the court of Margaret and that participated in her “Marian mission”. But the almost encyclopedic approach of La Rue towards these Marian topics clearly highlights the musical preferences that were distinguishing the court of Margaret and enables an insight into the ways of her musical patronage. Even if it can be stated that Marian devotion was very common and widespread in Europe around 1500, the deliberate cooperation of Margaret and La Rue mirrors the search for personal redemption on the one hand and the strong emphasis of political self-representation through the public exhibition of Marian devotion on the other hand. Thus, Margaret staged herself, mediated through sound and image, both as a confidant of the Virgin Mary and as pious “mother of her people” and was able to legitimize her right and claim to rule over the provinces that were entrusted to her.

In my paper, I intend to point out the connections between the biographically and salutary aspects of the personal Marian devotion of Margaret and her desire to publicly display her regency. To support my considerations on music and power, I will rely on the Alamire manuscripts that served not only as a media to transmit the music itself, but also as valuable diplomatic gifts and therefore played an essential part in political representation: The iconography within the codices deliberately transports the moral aspect of the claim of power and symbolizes this through “sounding images”. Furthermore, my paper will demonstrate how liturgical chant was used to enhance the Marian praise in polyphonic masses at the court of Margaret.

Daniel Tiemeyer received his Bachelor degree in Music/Musicology and History at the University of Osnabrück in 2007. Between 2007 and 2013 he studied both Musicology and History at the University of Vienna. He dedicated his master thesis, respectively, to the late style of Beethoven and to the cultural-historical discrimination of Jewish musicians in Germany in the 19th and early
20th century. From 2006 to 2010 he was awarded a grant by the Studienstiftung des deutschen Volkes and spent the winter term 2011/12 as research student at the University of Sheffield. His PhD dissertation with the title “Sound as dramatic expression in the operas of Franz Schreker” was supervised by Prof. Dr Birgit Lodes, and was defended in January 2018. His dissertation was supported by the DOC-stipend of the Austrian Academy of Science (2014–2016) and the graduation stipend of the University of Vienna (2017).

Daniel Tiemeyer was assistant at the chair of Historical Musicology (Prof. Dr Christiane Wiesenfeldt) at the Hochschule für Musik Franz Liszt in Weimar from October 2017 until March 2020. Since April 2020 he is the assistant of Christiane Wiesenfeldt at the Seminar of Musicology of the University of Heidelberg. He is currently working on his habilitation project which is entitled “Function of music as means of (self-) representation of Marian devotion at the Habsburg-Burgundian Court of Margaret of Austria”. He presented his first reflections at international conferences like the Pierre de La Rue conference in November 2018 in Mechelen and the Medieval and Renaissance Music Conference in July 2019 in Basel.

Traces of Modern Ideas in the Music of the Ottoman Empire

Songül Karahasanoğlu & Süleyman Cabir Çiplak

In the late 17th and century and its prolongation, Ottoman Empire had entered a new period since the Ottoman elite got contacted and acquainted with modern ideas in the west. These people were bureaucratic elite and tied either directly to the court or to the first circle around them. The new ideas taken from the west first impacted the main forms of the art in the Ottoman Empire which are mainly music and literature. It also affected science and other areas as well. We will be tracing the footsteps of modernization in the Ottoman court by tracing its reflections in the music and other areas by looking at the theory of music. Music theory writing had been a continuous artistic, scientific and historical phenomenon and a tradition in the Ottoman Empire and there is a remarkable amount of written material from that time period. As the highest stage can be reached for any art and science of that time the Ottoman court was at the center of all the activities like art and science. As a science of an art, music theory is
heavily impacted by changes and movements in the art and the science and this fact makes it a perfect area to uncover the musical zeitgeist of the time around the court.

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**The Expression of Awe during the Early Modern Ottoman Carnivals of Animals**

Ido Ben-Ami

Traditionally, the Ottomans used to mark special political occasions—such as royal births, circumcision ceremonies, engagements, and marriages—by throwing lavish imperial festivals known as *Sûr-i Hümâyûn*. Regardless of their specific
theme, these festivals took place in the public sphere and thus were designated to amuse the courtiers and other classes within Turkish society. In addition, these celebrations served as a perfect setting to display Ottoman power. Especially in those periods in Ottoman history when the sultans preferred to seclude themselves from the public eye, these kinds of festivals were considered a rare opportunity to strengthen the link between the ruling and the ruled and to impress foreign rulers through their ambassadors who attended these celebrations.

This proposed paper will focus mostly on the performing animals, which played an indispensable part during these celebrations. Circus-like acts and other theatrical shows were planned by talented professional trainers who interacted with their animals and thus masterfully created different emotional atmospheres during the performances. One of the dominant emotions that were created in different is awe at the Ottoman sultans. The sounds and noises that the performing animals produced during their acts helped the trainers to convey this atmosphere. Whether it was the growl of a bear, the meow of a cat, the hiss of a snake, the bark of a dog or the roar of a lion, during these royal celebrations animals were introduced as submissive creatures that acknowledged the sultan’s authority.

Because these festivals manifested great political significance by demonstrating the continuity of the Ottoman dynasty as well as its grandeur and glory, considerable efforts were invested in recording such events in writing. Therefore, the historical sources I aim to examine for this paper are the royal festival books (Sûrnâme-i Hümâyûn) of the 1582 and 1720 celebrations. Within these books, different performing animals were mentioned and illustrated as wonderful creatures that used to elicit awe at the Ottoman sultans. Since the 1720 festival took place during a period in which the Ottoman elite has undergone remarkable changes as a social group, (“The Second Ottoman Empire”) I will demonstrate how these changes affected the way in which the performing animals were meant to generate awe amongst the new established Ottoman elite.

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The Soundscape of Ottoman-Habsburg Diplomacy in the Eighteenth Century

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This paper unearths the soundscape of the parades, diplomatic banquets, welcome and farewell audiences held between the Habsburg and Ottoman empires over the course of the eighteenth century. Relying on correspondence, ambassadorial reports and protocol registers from the Viennese and Ottoman archives, I aim not only to provide a description of the soundscape of Habsburg-Ottoman diplomacy, but also to analyze the meanings and interpretations that the diplomatic agents of these two empires attributed to this component of diplomatic events, a component that has long been neglected in conventional studies of diplomacy. The concept of “soundscape” includes musical sounds, non-musical sounds and also intentionally-staged interludes of silence. Soundscape as an analytical tool for transcultural diplomacy offers insight into perceptions of familiarity and foreignness, cross-cultural exchange, power relations and modes of self- and state-representation. In order to explore this argument, I turn first to the role of the musical and sound elements in the composition of the parades of diplomatic retinues, second to the performance of music accompanying diplomatic banquets and last to intentionally-staged silences occurring during the welcome and farewell audiences held in the presence of the Sultan and Kaiser. Through these selected occasions, I show how soundscape constituted an essential component of diplomatic performance and ritual.

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**Roundtable: Between Ottoman, Habsburg and Burgundy**

Markus Koller, Cristina Urchueguía, Karolina Zgraja

The media strategies of the courts of the Burgundian-Habsburg and Ottoman spheres will be discussed. From an interdisciplinary perspective, the interplay of sound and various media shall be essayed as well as methodological approaches in the sense of transculturality.


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Setúbal Soundscapes: Performing the Power of the House of Aveiro during Early Modern Portugal

Ana Cláudia Silveira

This study focuses on the port city of Setúbal, in Portugal, and its connection to the House of Aveiro, linked to D. Jorge de Lencastre, son of the king John II (1481–1495), who was also Master of the Military Order of Santiago, institution that hold both the secular and the ecclesiastical jurisdiction over the city and the surrounding territory.

In the beginning of the sixteenth century he started a rebuilding project of his Palace at Setúbal as recorded in unpublished accounts of this institution, allowing to reconstruct the spatial organisation of the residence and the interior decoration of several rooms, and also providing information about the building materials, decoration elements as well as the presence of luxury goods like a library, an organ and several pieces of furniture.

At the same time, monumental interventions in the built environment of the city were promoted by the Order of Santiago, by the Crown and by local government: an enlargement of the churches, the opening of new city gates and new streets, the construction of a new city hall and a monumental aqueduct and the organisation of a modern plaza bordered by the Palace of Aveiro, the buildings belonging to the Order of Santiago, one of the most important churches of the urban area and the new civic palace. This plaza became a topographical centrepiece not only of commercial activity, but also of social and political ceremonial, a focal point of the urban space where the spectacle of power took place, where the civic festivals staged, where ceremonial processions that proclaimed the prestige of the represented institutions and of the city itself arrived.

The propagandistic character of these ceremonials, which included royal visits, religious festivities, meetings of the Chapter of the Military Order of Santiago, visits promoted by the authorities of the institution, processional ceremonies, presents Jorge de Lencastre – and after his heirs – as a learned man with wide cultural interests, and gives him political legitimacy as Master of Santiago.

A wide range of displays convened in order to create such an atmosphere: ritual clothes, ephemeral triumphal arches, protocol, hierarchy, garlands and tapestries, magnificent food and pastry, lights, fires and torches, bullfights, fisheries, theatre, dance and music. The crowd was involved by an overwhelming ambience where emotions arose through all the senses, including the creation of a soundscape
with trumpets and bells, chanted litanies, acclamations, music, speeches and sermons, and even the artillery was used to impress and perform the power.

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“Ein solcher Lärm ...” Der Klang auf den Hochzeiten des Spätmittelalters

Christof Paulus


Manches wurde von den Zeitgenossen als Lärm empfunden, manches nicht. Die Geräuschkulisse während jener Landshuter Festtage muss gewaltig gewesen sein, wie allein schon die große Anzahl der Besucher belegt: Gensbein schätzt 18 000, Hungerstein 10 000; meist floss via Seibolt und Arneck die Zahl von 9163 Pferden (die gewiss auch gewaltigen Lärm verursachten), was einer Vielzahl an Gästen entspricht, in die Darstellungen ein. Gewiss zählte Landshut in jenen Novembertagen mehr als doppelt so viele Menschen wie sonst, was die logistische Herausforderung jener Tage unterstreicht. Spielleute waren auf den Straßen, Herolde riefen die Namen der Gäste aus, welche sich auch durch aufgestellte Wappenschilder präsentierten. Gerade der Rheinländer Gensbein gibt Hinweise auf das Unterhaltungsprogramm: Ein Possenreiher verkleidete sich als Bauer zur Präsentation einer “Gegenwelt” und überraschte die Adligen an ihren Tafeln. Höfisches kam zur Aufführung: *Item wass sonder zall manche fyne kostliche spielman dae, allerley man haben wolde, dan ych ynß verstunde vor frauwe Venüs bergh.* Derbes wurde neben Feinerem präsentiert und (lautstark intoniert). Landshut war noch keine Renaissancehochzeit wie die nahezu zeitgleiche Eheschließung zwischen Costanzo Sforza und Camilla da Marzano im Mai 1475 zu Pesaro mit ihren gelehrt-mythologischen Reminiszenzen und Inszenierungen.

Der Vortrag unternimmt es, die “Soundscape Landshut” zu profilieren, also die Klangwelten der Hochzeit einer differenzierten Betrachtung zu unterziehen. Es soll hierbei nicht nur der Klang des Höfischen im Rahmen der symbolischen Kommunikation konturiert werden – die zahlreichen bedeutenden Anwesenden eröffnen hier Möglichkeiten einer methodischen Differenzierung –, sondern es soll der Blick auch auf die Rezeption der Klänge gelenkt werden. Um die Ergebnisse auf ihre Tragfähigkeit zu überprüfen, zugleich aber in europäischer Dimension zu betrachten, ist im Schlussteil des Vortrags ein Vergleich mit anderen berühmten Hochzeitsfeierlichkeiten des Spätmittelalters (Amberg, Brügge, Urach, Pesaro etc.) vorgesehen.

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The Multi-Layered Soundscape of Charles V Entries in Spanish Cities

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The entries of monarchs into cities (commemorating exceptional occasions such as coronations, engagements, and weddings) are one of the most widespread royal this type of pageantries involved individuals from all strata of society, and a variety of urban locations. Beyond their use as means of propaganda and power display, royal entries also regulated the relationship between rulers and cities, and, in doing so, they engendered a conversation between the intervening parts, one in which the city and its dwellers could have active roles. The participation of these different actors shows clearly in the wide range of sonic events generated by the accompanying festive activities (such as parades, jousts, dances, religious celebrations and the like). Broadly speaking, they fall into two groups: sonic events carefully planned and staged by both royals and cities (cannons blasts, bell ringing, official music making…) and events of spontaneous nature by individuals or groups (chatter, clapping, shouting, impromptu singing and playing...).

This paper will look at the soundscape of the entries of Emperor Charles V in Iberian cities (1517–58). They offer fertile ground for the study of the aforementioned sonic conversation across social strata that creates a multi-layered urban soundscape. Given the “otherness” of Emperor Charles V in the early years of his Spanish reign (a foreign king in a country that he barely knew), they also offer a glimpse at cross-cultural dynamics that would help blending Burgundian and Spanish traditions.
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Die leisen Klänge der Macht – Das Rebecchino im Kunsthistorischen Museum in Wien

Thilo Hirsch & Marina Haiduk

Auch wenn man bei der musikalischen Repräsentation höfischer Macht im ersten Moment vielleicht eher an laute Instrumente wie Trompeten, Schalmeien und Perkussionsinstrumente denkt, spielten auch die leiseren Streich- und Zupfinstrumente an den Höfen des 15. und 16. eine wichtige Rolle. Einer dritten Kategorie gehörten vielleicht jene Instrumente an, bei welchen die äußeren Gestalt den Vorrang vor der akustischen Funktion hatte.

Rebec”-Projekts an der Hochschule der Künste in Bern war die Voraussetzung für seine weitergehende organologische und kunstgeschichtliche Einordnung. Dabei kam den geschnitzten Elementen auf den Seitenwänden des Korpus eine besondere Rolle zu, da sie konkrete Hinweise auf die Originalgestalt des Instruments lieferten.


Sonorous Spaces of Splendour: Utilization of Sound in the Courtly Culture of the Safavid Empire in the 17th Century Isfahan

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Throughout Islamic history, a lasting impact of power is imagined, constructed and presented through the depiction of sonorous spaces. This can be explained with the idea of bazm u razm (feast and fight), and its centrality in representing royalty in the Islamic lands. It is quite common to see the depictions of the feast scenes or hunting parties alongside with the significant wars in the illuminated histories of a sovereign’s reign, drawings on the album folios or on the palace walls. Early modern states of Islam provide exquisite artistic examples of these sorts as a result of the increasing illuminated manuscript production, the accessibility of various sources through mobility, and the geographical appropriation.

This creates the necessity of looking at the visual sources of these events, which both have musicality and sound in their procession, in terms of the meaning they might convey. In this research, it is my intention to understand the centrality of sound for the 17th century Safavid rulers in the occasions of imperial self-fashioning and representation, such as Nowruz celebrations, circumcision festivals, majlis organizations for ambassadors’ visits and private audiences.

After his ascension to the throne, Abbas I (r. 1587–1629) moved the state capital to his newly planned city, Isfahan. This project included the construction of palaces, mosques, bazaars, and a huge square. It was later extended with the additions of his great grandchild Shah Abbas II (r. 1642–1666). Conceptions of these rulers we find in the contemporary sources make it possible to grasp the theatrical program of planned designs of the ceremonial and congregational spaces.

Specifically, the function of naksh-e jahan (image of the world) square, the design of talar-e mosiki (the music hall) in the imperial palace ‘Ali Kapu, the gatherings at the gardens of hesht behest (eight heavens) palace, and the centrality of the sound on the wall paintings in the chehel sotoun (forty columns) palace will be examined in contextualizing manner. The miniatures and drawings composed respectively
by the Safavid artists and the European visitors will be the main sources.
To conclude, I will be trying to derive the reciprocal meaning, both attributed
and received by the participants. For the Safavid side, I will be using the detailed
accounts of above-mentioned occasions in the Safavid chronicles of the time:
Tarikh-e‘Abbāsi (a.k.a. Roznama-e Mulla Jalal) by Jalaluddin Munajjim Yazdi;
Tarikh-e‘Ālamārā-ye‘Abbāsi by Iskandar Beg Munshī; and
Tarikh-eShah ‘Abbās-e Dovvum (a.k.a. ‘Abbās-nāma) by Mohammad Taher Vahid Qazvini. To understand
their impact on the minds of the beholders, I will be using the European accounts:
Viaggi di Pietro Della Valle, il Pellegrino by the musicologist Pietro Della Valle; and
Relation d’un voyage fait au Levant by the botanist Jean de Thévenot; and Journal du
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Koreanische Hofmusik der Joseon-Dynastie zur Zeit von König Sejong
(1418–1450)

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Die über 500-jährige Joseon-Dynastie war ein pro-konfuzianisches
Herrschergeschlecht, das Korea von 1392 bis 1910 regierte. Das politische
Ideal der Joseon-Dynastie war das Gleichgewicht von Ye-Ak, dessen Bestandteile
“Funktion zur Ordnung und Unterscheidung” (Ye) und “Funktion zur
Harmonie und Einheit” (Ak) bedeuten. Um die Idee des Ye-Ak sichtbar zum
Ausdruck zu bringen, wurden am königlichen Hof die fünffältigen Zeremonien
veranstaltet, darunter Zeremonien zur Erinnerung an die Ahnen, fröhliche
Feiern, diplomatische Empfänge, militärische Paraden und Begräbnisfeiern. Bei
diesen königlichen Zeremonien spielten Hofkünstler musikalische Instrumente,


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Imperial and Far-reaching: State Processional Music of 16th century China

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Implementing the assumption that ritual, music, penalties, and policies (liyue xingzheng) constituted four pillars of governance, Confucian and imperial Ming China (1368–1644) practiced a comprehensive system of state sacrifices, state banquets, and state processions. Modeled after historical exemplars, all the ritual-musical-political activities were authoritatively officiated by emperors or their delegates, meticulously executed by a large number of court officers, eunuchs, and staff/soldiers, and critically observed and reported by official and unofficial participants. As multi-media, affective, and symbolic projections of imperial presence and power, the activities unfolded according to scripted liturgies of lyrics and speeches, human and bodily movements, distinctive sounds/music, and a large variety of material and iconic paraphernalia. That the sacrifices, banquets, and processions constituted multi-media and affective spectacles on imperial presence and power is undeniable. That music played a unique role in the spectacles is, however, also undeniable –without music, the imperial performances would become mute and less intelligible, and if affective
and far-reaching at all. How does music make Ming Chinese imperial rituals efficacious? How does court and ritual music sound Ming emperors’ imperial and far-reaching power and presence?

To attempt to answer the question with a case study, this paper examines two narrative painting scrolls from the Ming court, which depict Emperor Shenzong’s (reigned 1572–1620) trips, during the years of 1584 through 1586, from the Forbidden City to and back from the imperial tombs in a northern suburb of Beijing. Entitled Mingren chujing rubitu (The emperor’s militarily guarded processions departing from and returning to the palace by an anonymous Ming court painter), the two paintings offer a wealth of detailed and visual data about Ming state processions. More importantly, the paintings visually suggest the ways wind and percussion music played by soldiers riding on horses or eunuchs traveling by boat projected a moving soundscape of emperorship.

To probe the soundscape, this paper will systematically trace the painting’s visual presentation of musical instruments, musicians, and their ritualized bodies and performance gestures. To heuristically investigate the sounds they played, this paper will reference traditional Chinese wind and drum music (guochui; chuida) with historical roots from Ming China. Iconographic, verbal, and musical data thus assembled will be interpreted with reference to Chinese and international theories on sound as performance and discourse of imperial power and governance agendas. This paper argues that Ming state processions evince imperial presence and governance with sound/music that move with the emperors, vibrating eardrums of obedient or resisting subjects within the empire.

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The Sound of Habsburg Power in Colonial Mexico: Ritual and Projection of Identity through Music in Exequias and other Viceregal Events

Grayson Wagstaff

There was a specific “sound of power” in Mexico City on Nov 30 – 31, 1559, when the Viceregal capital and most important city in Spain’s New World colonies commemorated Emperor Charles V who had died the previous year: during these rituals, the sound projecting Habsburg power and symbolizing Charles’ iconic Catholic “good death” was polyphony by Cristóbal de Morales. His music was central to Spain’s emergence as a world cultural power alongside its growing political and economic strength derived from colonial wealth and Charles’ political and military strategies. Morales’ music, which may have been heard during those days in Mexico by its largest ever “audience”, is also central to understanding the attempted creation of a Spanish colonial identity through rituals of court in sixteenth-century New Spain. Such exequias were a system of sacred rituals including the Requiem Mass and the Office of Matins with elaborate processions. Exequias embodied the structure of Spanish and Colonial society with the power of the Church displayed alongside the stratified society. Those participating in Mexico and expected to demonstrate the proper reactions and dignity included leaders of pre-Colombian ethnic groups. These native peoples, as did the Spanish born leaders, honored Charles’ sanctified death and celebrated him as a model and defender of the true Catholic faith. Exequias in Mexico are well documented. Unfortunately, events in which each Viceroy would have served as a substitute for the King are not described in extant documents. I will discuss several possibilities such as Viceregal entries in which polyphonic music likely honored the Viceroy much as the King was treated in Spain. No Habsburg monarch would ever travel to Mexico, but ritual and music “broadcast” royal power in New Spain much as the young Elizabeth Windsor would learn to use radio and television to project her prestige.

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Roundtable: Sound of Power, Sound of Cultures

François Picard, Wolfgang Behr, Britta Sweers

The concluding roundtable broadens the perspective on court cultures from different continents. Anthropological perspectives on the phenomenon of the sound of power and related problems of comparability, tradition and transfer will be discussed.

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