



An Antipodean banquet

Recordings of
Australasian music in
the collections of the
British Library
National Sound
Archive

SOUTH SEA ISLANDS

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? Scope of Australasia

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SOUTH SEA ISLANDS



Douglas Lilburn (composer)

Aotearoa overture

New Zealand Symphony Orchestra
conducted by John Hopkins

Recorded: 1968(?)

NSA: ILP0093000

Kiwi SLD 14



Roy Agnew (composer)

Sonata ballade
(Piano sonata no. 3)

Played by the composer

Recording date not available

NSA: ICL0046475

Columbia DOX 607



Nellie Melba (soprano)


From: **A century remembered:
1920-1930**

Original recorded: Covent Garden,
1926

BBC Radio 5, 14th February 1993

NSA: HI 185/2 1:10'50"

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Peter Dawson (bass-baritone)

**House of life. Silent noon
(Ralph Vaughan Williams)**

Accompanied by Mme Adami

Recorded: 26th April 1922

NSA: ICS0056957

HMV B 1355



Peter Dawson (bass-baritone)

**Excerpt from Daily Mail mystery
disc (16th November 1932 —
£1950 for naming the artists)**

Accompanied by Ambrose and his
Orchestra

NSA: 9CS0005894

Daily Mail RO 100



Rosina Buckman (soprano)

Tristan und Isolde. Liebestod
(Richard Wagner)

Sung in English, with orchestra
conducted by Albert W. Ketelbey

Recording date not available

NSA: ICL0050217

Columbia L 1122

Percy Grainger (speaker)

Speaking on William Byrd

From: Distant voices

BBC Radio 2, 2nd January 1995

NSA: H4489/3 3:23'48"





Percy Grainger (composer)

Free music experiments — brief explanation followed by a demonstration on a retuned butterfly piano

Recording date not available; copied from loaned tapes (of original acetate recordings?)

NSA: M4525WR



Percy Grainger (composer)

The lonely desert (Free music)

Recording date not available; copied from loaned tapes (of original acetate recordings?)

NSA:T449W



Graeme Bell (piano)

**I'm looking over a four leaf
clover (Woods)**

With Roger Bell (trumpet) and Sid
Phillips (clarinet)

Recorded: 6th July 1948 at the home of
the Marquis of Donegal, London

NSA: C65 I/76 C3

Graeme Bell (speaker)

On the history of the Australian jazz convention in its 50th year

From: Jazz notes

BBC Radio 2, 12th February 1996

NSA: H6485/2 3:09'14"

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LARDNER ISLAND
UNION ISLAND
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David Lumsdaine (recordist)


Lake Emu — sunrise

Recorded: November 1989

NSA: ICD0106998

Tall Poppies TP 092





David Lumsdaine (composer)

Temptations in the wilderness

John Noble (baritone), English Chamber
Orchestra conducted by John Carewe

Recorded: 1966

NSA: M863R



Dorothea Franchi (composer)

**Pioneer portraits. The
shearer's wife**

Corinne Bridge (contralto)
accompanied by the composer

Recording donated by NZBC,
December 1965

NSA: M629R



Colin Brumby (composer)

Suite for four double-basses

Rodney Slatford, Barry Guy, Erich
Hartmann, Klaus Stoll

First broadcast performance
(Aldeburgh Festival, 1976)

BBC Radio 3, 14th November 1977

NSA: PI226BW



David Ahern (composer)

After Mallarmé

BBC Scottish Symphony Orchestra
conducted by Patrick Thomas

First (UK?) broadcast

BBC Radio 3, 2nd September 1976

NSA: M5888BW

Anne Boyd (composer)

As I crossed a bridge of dreams

John Aldis Choir conducted by John
Aldis

First broadcast performance

BBC Radio 3, 5th June 1977

NSA: M7111BW

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LARDNER ISLAND
UNION ISLAND
EASTERN ISLAND

Aranda / Arunta aboriginal music

Recorded in Central Australia in 1902

Collected by Baldwin Spencer and
Francis Gillen

From the Frazer Collection
(Cambridge, UK)

NSA: NP6309





Torres Straits island music

Recorded in the Torres Straits islands in
1898

Collected by A.C. Haddon, C.S. Myers, S.H.
Ray, C.G. Seligmann, W.H.R. Rivers, A.
Wilkin, W. McDougall

From the Frazer Collection (Cambridge,
UK)

NSA: NP6852



Ana Hato (soprano)

Waiata poi (Alfred Hill)

Ana Hato with piano

Recorded, Rotorua, during a 1927 visit
by the Duke and Duchess of York to
New Zealand

NSA: ICS0075042

Parlophone R 3357

Rotorua Maori Choir

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NSA: T11780W



Waltzing Matilda (arranged by Gordon Langford)

Black Dyke Mills Band conducted by Roy Newsome

NSA: ICD0076078

Chandos CHAN 4533

