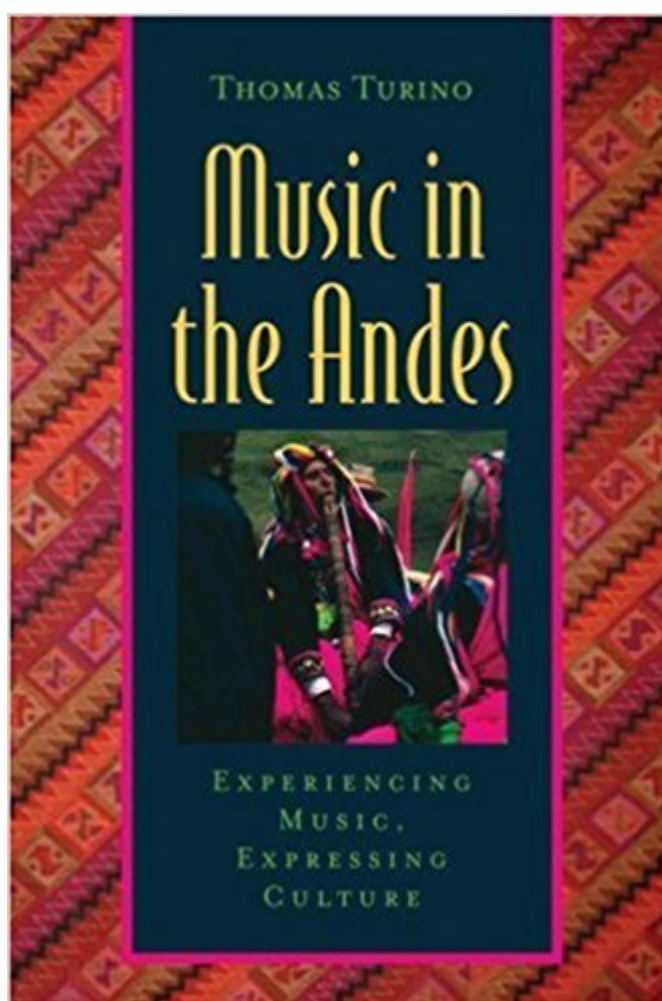


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A new book by Thomas Turino is almost certain to be very good news, and *Music in the Andes* is no exception ... *Music in the Andes* is a gem

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How authentic are the Andean folkloric panpipe bands heard in streets and subway stations of the world's cities? This book, *Music in the Andes*, answers that question and more. Examining the music of Peru, the social functions of such music, and the musicians themselves from a cultural anthropological perspective, Thomas Turino's excellent discussion helps us fully appreciate this form of indigenous music. We learn the history, the complexity, and the distinctions of the music. Panpipes are not the only woodwinds; there are transverse flutes (pitu), end-blown flutes with notched ends (e.g., kena), those with ducts (like recorders and whistles) of two types (tarkas and pinkillu). Interestingly, bands do not mix these instruments; all the musicians play one type or another flute plus drums. There are also string bands. String instruments did not exist before the Spanish invasions, but the harp, violin, guitar, and its adapted junior cousin, the charango, gained favor quickly. Indeed, the charango became the instrument for young men to woo mates. Women do not play instruments, but sing and dance. We also learn that the upper register is much favored by Peruvian natives. Also, dance dramas associated with Catholic saints and festivals are presented in detail. We learn the musical styles of criolla, mestizo, and native communities and how the influx of peoples into the cities beginning in the 1920s and the influence of radio and recordings blurred the separations. With the shrinking world via mass communication, Colombian cumbia and Caribbean sounds along with electronic instruments entered the mix. Even though professional folkloric musicians and their recordings and concerts present stylized composites and radical

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