

Notes and Links for Aug 26 2022 Facebook Live Kalimba Event p 1/2

Hi - welcome to Kalimba Magic's second FaceBook Live event! I am Mark Holdaway, and I am the guy talking and playing kalimba on the video. I will be playing a number of kalimbas, mostly KARIMBAS, and I am including links to the various instruments here, so if one resonates with you, you can get that karimba or one of the music books for it.

Coupon code: this is good ALL DAY Aug 26 only: **Wow40Percent** for 40% off anything today, except for Hokema instruments.

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop>

We have extended the coupon code for just Karimba - this is a story about where all kalimbas came from. Coupon code, good through September 1 2022, for 20% off any karimba: **Karimba20**

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/karimbas-and-saregama-karimbas>

<===== Performance Set List =====>

The THEME is "Non-traditional Karimbas" - people have taken the karimba and put all kinds of crazy tunings and modifications on them.

Pay attention: special tunings; using different modes within the tuning; right index finger technique

Background: Why is it named Mbira, Kalimba, or Karimba?

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/blog/item/kalimba-kalimba-or-mbira>

Before we get to Non-traditional Karimbas.... lets look at the traditional instruments!

Mbira Dzavadzimu

We do not sell mbira dzavadzimu... but you can get one at <https://www.mbira.org>

Student Karimba playing trad. song *Bungu Utete*

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/hugh-tracey-9-note-student-karimba>

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/kalimba-books/student-karimba-book>

Hwawa on 15-Note Karimba - same notes as the Kwanongoma Karimba or Mbira Nyunga Nyunga

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/hugh-tracey-15-note-box-karimba-in-f>

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/nyunga-f-karimba-download>

Ndo Wombera on Hugh Tracey African-tuned Karimba

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/hugh-tracey-african-tuned-karimba>

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/about-30-trad-karimba-download>

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/kalimba-books/playing-the-hugh-tracey-karimba>

LEARN: Traditional Karimba Modes = Same as western music: Major, Minor, and Mixo...

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/blog/item/three-modes-in-traditional-karimba-music>

Bustu M'Tandari - Trad Karimba music on Non-traditional 17/C Kalimba (33 Intermediate Songs)

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/kalimba-books/33-intermediate-songs-book-for-the-17-note-kalimba-in-c>

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/most-popular-kalimbas/kalimba-magic-17-note-bamboo-kalimba>

Pay attention to this (1): Look at the tablature. A simple form of improvisation is to play the same notes as in the tablature... but in a different order or rhythm.

Pay attention to this (2): The mbira and the karimba both have a technique using two thumbs and the right index finger. This can be brought on board any kalimba.

Finally, we are up to the Non-traditional Karimbas

If you are suspecting this is cultural appropriation, let's say you are right.

My perspective: I seek to understand and honor the African cultures that created the traditional karimbas... and I also embrace and run with the non-traditional karimbas... they are fun!

First: an interesting case: trad. Karimbas are tuned between Major and Minor. What if we tuned the African Karimba all the way to the minor?

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/hugh-tracey-african-tuned-karimba>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/a-minor-karimba-download>

I-Ching Karimba: one of the earliest non-traditional Karimbas: Gert Mortensen / Per Norgaard

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/i-ching-kalimba-13-note-special-ty-kalimba>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/new-compositions-for-the-i-ching-kalimba>

The Sansula - a newfangled instrument based on the Karimba (available in different tunings)

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/sansula>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/playing-the-sansula-2-download>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/kalimba-books/the-beautiful-e-sansula-music-book>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/the-c-major-sansula-download>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/20-songs-for-sansula-in-heavenly-a-tuning>

The B11 Kalimba - even more power from Hokema

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/b11>

SaReGaMa Karimbas: Lotus

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/most-popular-kalimbas/saregama-s-lotus-tuned-karimba>

SaReGaMa Karimbas: Freygish

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/saregama-s-freygish-tuned-karimba>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/download-of-freygish-karimba-book>

SaReGaMa Karimbas: Air

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/saregama-s-air-tuned-karimba>
The Air Karimba does not have a full length book, but comes with this 12-page PDF download.

Celtic-D Karimba

<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/hugh-tracey-kalimbas/celtic-d-karimba>
<https://www.kalimbamagic.com/shop/instructional-downloads/celtic-d-karimba-download-method-exercises-and-songs>