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Stories From The Anne Grimes Collection Of American Folk Music



Synopsis

Stories from the Anne Grimes Collection of American Folk Music is a treasury of American traditional music and Ohio's folklife heritage. Traveling along the highways and byways of Ohio in the 1950s as a folksinger and collector of traditional music, Anne Grimes encountered people from many different backgrounds who opened up their homes to her to share their most precious family heirlooms—their songs. She recorded these treasures for posterity and further preserved them through her lectures and recitals. After years of performance and research on her material, Anne Grimes decided to write about it all. This beautiful book presents her lively portraits of the major contributors with photographs taken by her husband, James W. Grimes; lyrics and extensive notes on the songs; and a CD sampler that includes performances by her contributors, most of whom had not been previously recorded. It also contains selections from Bob Gibson, Carl Sandburg, Pete Seeger, Jenny Wells Vincent, as well as Grimes herself. The Anne Grimes Collection is preserved in the Library of Congress. Besides songs, Anne Grimes also collected dulcimers, and portraits of these folk instruments and their players—including Anne Grimes herself—are featured throughout the book and on the CD. Photographs include some of the forty-two rare vintage dulcimers and other instruments collected by Anne Grimes that are now preserved at the National Museum of American History at the Smithsonian Institution.

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I was excited to get this product to give to my dad for his birthday. I grew up in the hills of Appalachia. I bought this because I found out my great grandfather, Charles Ralston, is not only

mentioned in this book but there was also a photo of him. My dad was happy to get this since it was his grandpa that he has many memories of. Very cool indeed! :)

i was a friend of anne grimes and learned so much more about her from this book and accompanying cd;

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