Vocabulary

Gagaku 雅楽
Bugaku 舞楽
Nara 奈良
Tōdaiji 東大寺

Nara period 710-794 奈良時代
Heian period 794-1185 平安時代

Uta-awase 歌合
Kōdō 香道
Biwa 琵琶

Yokobue (fue) 横笛（笛）Fue means “flute”; yokobue means “transverse flute” and includes several types of transverse flutes (shinobue, nohkan, ryūteki, etc.) which are used for different styles of music (folk, noh theater, gagaku, etc.) The physical construction of each specific type of flute is slightly different, and the music played may be greatly different.

Wagon 和琴

Tale of Genji (Genji Monogatari) 源氏物語

Suggested Resources


Museum of Fine Arts, Boston www.mfa.org

MFA for Educators http://educators.mfa.org/


Gagaku [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5OA8HFUnfIk](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5OA8HFUnfIk)

Bugaku [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTv4jUfnEUI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nTv4jUfnEUI)

Koto (20th century) [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xgs4qq_ZsfE](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Xgs4qq_ZsfE)

Koto (traditional) [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nXzivBR6MU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nXzivBR6MU)

Biwa (narrative tradition) [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1zsJNcKieg; http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5HGe_MI3akM](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=1zsJNcKieg; http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5HGe_MI3akM)

Fue [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ykehyiBjHnQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ykehyiBjHnQ) (This is specifically the shinobue)

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