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FSU College of Medicine and School of Music Team up for Music, Medicine, & Culture Symposium

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TALLAHASSEE, Fla. - Florida State University is exploring the intersection of arts and medicine in a research symposium titled "Music, Medicine, & Culture: Medical Ethnomusicology and Global Perspectives on Health and Healing."

Saturday, Oct. 9, 8:15 a.m. – 4:15 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10, 8:30 a.m. – 12:45 p.m. at the FSU School of Music

Registration and check-in will be Saturday, Oct. 9, 7:30 a.m., in the Beth Moore Lounge, Longmire Building. The opening and keychord presentations will be in Opperman Music Hall, Kuersteiner Music Building.

Attendees will learn about current and future research methodologies used to investigate interrelationships between culture, music, health/healing, spirituality/religiosity and aging. The symposium will also help create new interdisciplinary networks of scholars for future integrative research.

Presenters include medical and music experts from FSU faculty and from around the country. Medical and health professionals, ethnomusicologists, music therapists, and others with an interest in the intersection of arts and medicine are all welcome.

Select workshops will be interactive, with an opportunity to experience the healing aspect of music firsthand. One such workshop, entitled "Sonic Holograms and Aural Mandalas: Experiencing the Enlivening, Protective and Healing Dimensions of Balinese Gamelan Music," will allow attendees to perform on hand-crafted gamelan instruments from Bali, India.