

## Special Issue

# Researching with Spirituality and Music

### Message from the Guest Editors

This will be a cross-disciplinary issue exploring music set in various contexts that can be seen to include a spiritual dimension, however this is defined. It will include educational, performance, ritual and healing contexts. It will examine how music has been used in various cultures for spiritual purposes in religious and outside religious contexts. These will potentially include education, therapy, ritual, performance, composition, theology and religious studies, using an academics from various disciplines. It will examine the interface between culture, religion and spirituality and wellbeing, music and spirituality exploring the social, spiritual and political aspects of wellbeing and spirituality.

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