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# SONGS ALONG A STONY ROAD

A film by  
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Screening daily at the exhibition, *Between East and West—Folk Art Treasures of Romania*,  
at Mingei International Museum in San Diego, August 1, 2010–April 3, 2011  
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**SONGS ALONG A STONY ROAD** follows musicologist Zoltán Kallós on his visits to musicians in villages around Transylvania and Romanian Moldavia. He has collected music in these places for half a century.

Transylvania and Moldavia are lands where several ethnic groups have lived in adjacent villages for centuries. Their music reflects these proximities, and is unique because of the constant crossover between styles and cultures. For



musicologists and ethnographers, it is a treasure trove as rich and diverse as any in Europe.

The 71-minute film is the product of five expeditions undertaken between 1999 and 2006. Everyone in the film is from the Magyar-speaking villages of Transylvania and from two of the regions inhabited by Csángó people: the valleys of the Gyimes Mountains, and some Csángó villages sprinkled along the rolling foothills on the eastern slopes of the Carpathians in Romania's Moldavia.



The older singers, violinists, and flute players in Kallós's world are a thinning breed. *Songs Along A Stony Road* depicts a vanishing heritage. As Hungary and Romania are absorbed into the global economy, the people, music, and even the regional dialects in the film, are fast receding into the past.

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