

MUSIC

Lost Treasures: Record collector turned DJ Franklin Markowitz unearths great dance music you've never heard.

Looking forward to finding a new piece of music that gets your feet flying on the dance floor? Ever think there might be a cut or two you've missed? You can stop wondering—there is! So much music is released from alternative sources that you definitely have yet to discover an array of great dance grooves.

As a DJ I love presenting music that my audience has not heard, so I spend a lot of time searching, and occasionally I find a treasure or two. Spreading the word about these tunes helps our dance communities and also supports the musicians who've created them, so I'm sharing a few of my discoveries. Some are just a single piece and others are a full CD.

If you're new to mixing, an easy way to view a typical wave (the common term borrowed from the 5Rhythms map) is as a ten-step compilation. The Bookends (numbers one, two, nine, and ten) are usually laid back, building or ebbing slowly in energy. Transitions (three, four, seven, and eight) lead into or out of high energy, and five and six (Peaks) are full on. Seven and eight are similar to three and four but in reverse, and nine and ten are similar to one and two, also in reverse. Of course there's overlap on these placements, and individual tastes influence choices dramatically.

Here are 30 pieces from my collection, along with additional info I have to help you find them. If you have any obscure pieces to share, I'd love to hear about them. Happy hunting!

BOOKENDS

- SUVARNA:** Completion (*EthereanMusic.com*)
ADRIANA CASTELAZO: In Love With You (*rasamusic.com*)
SEOAN: Far From Paradise; Heaven Voices Mix (*droeastwest.com*)
ADRIAN ENESCU: Invisible Movies Pt.1 (*Published by Media Pro Music*)
CHOYING DROLMA & SINA VODJANI: Dancing Dakini (*choying.com*)
LA CROSS: Save Me (*Licensed from VMP International Publishing Ltd.*)
SPACE BROTHERS: Your Place In The World (*Licensed from Universal Music*)
CELLOMAN: Always (*celloman.co.uk*)
BASQUE: Let All Mortal Flesh Be Silent (*basque music.com*)
FLESH & BONE: Prayer For Home (*From Silver Wave Records 1993*)

TRANSITIONS

- RAFE PEARLMAN/GREG ELLIS:** Ascension (*download from bandcamp.com*)
MARYAM MURSAL-HAMAR: The Big City (*realworld.caroline.com*)
IZ & DIZ: Magnificent; Justin Martin's No Heart & Soul Remix (*dirtybirdrecords.com*)
MASSIVAN: Daydream (*pmusica.com*)
BUDDHA NATURE: Buddha Nature (*subatomic.com*)
BUGGE WESSELTFT: You Might Say (*sixdegreesrecords.com*)
AD FINEM: Angel; M.A.S. Collective Vocal Mix (*news.be*)
MELIH KIBAR: Mesaj (*On CD "Siddharta: Spirit Of Buddha Bar"*)
OUT OF PHASE: Orion Is Watching (*email: catherine@claudechalle.com*)
SUPERVIELLE: Leonel; El Feo (*bajofondo.net*)

PEAKS

- ABOVE & BEYOND:** Far From In Love (*On CD "Choice: John Digweed"*)
MADE BY MONKEYS: I Think Of You; Pablo Ceballos Timeless Mix (*On Kult Records*)
GALACTIC AGENTS: Afro Tech Suite: Far Away From Africa (*newearthrecords.com*)
LEXICON AVENUE: From Dusk Till Dawn (*On CD "Renaissance: Revelation"*)
KIKO NAVARRO: Perceptions; Richard Grey Remix (*swank recordings.com*)
JACO: Show Some Love; Original Dub (*On Warp Records, U.K.*)
LA ROCA: Drama Of Japan (*On CD "Buddha Bar II"*)
CANDAN EREETIN: Kaybettik Biz (*From Topkapi Music Ltd.*)
ASTRO BLACK STEREO: Zoom Wave (*shadorecords.com*)
HOUSE OF CHAOS: Oeh Lalalala (*Published by Fronttyk Music, Netherlands*) •