

The Harlem Renaissance Mini Group Project
List of Musicians, Authors, Artists & Activists

Part I-Musicians

Slave Songs:

“Trouble So Hard”¹



RealAudio Exhibition

[28.8 kbps](#) [56 kbps](#)

Sung by Dock and Henry Reed and Vera Hall at Livingston, Alabama, 1937.
Recorded by John A. And Ruby T. Lomax & Ruby Dickens Tartt.

[Transcript and Notes](#)

“Arwhoolie” (Cornfield Holler)²



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Sung by Thomas J. Marshall at Edwards, Mississippi, 1939.
Recorded by Herbert Halpert.

[Transcript and Notes](#)

“Quittin’ Time Songs”²



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Sung by Samuel Brooks at Edwards, Mississippi, 1939.
Recorded by Herbert Halpert.

[Transcript and Notes](#)

Gospel:

“I’m a Soldier in the Army of the Lord”³



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Sung by the congregation of Silent Grove Baptist Church at Clarksdale, Mississippi,
1942. Recorded by Alan Lomax, Lewis Jones, and John W. Work.

[Transcript and Notes](#)

“Ain’t No Grave Can Hold My Body Down”⁴



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Sung by Bozie Sturdivant at Silent Grove Baptist Church, Clarksdale, Mississippi, 1942. Recorded by Alan Lomax and Lewis Jones.

[Transcript and Notes](#)

Blues:

“Mississippi Blues”⁵



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Sung by William Brown, with guitar, at Sadie Beck’s Plantation, Arkansas, 1942.

Recorded by Alan Lomax, Lewis Jones, and John W. Work.

[Transcript and Notes](#)

These selections were obtained from the Archive of Folk Culture at the Library of Congress [American Folklife Center](#).

Part 2- Musicians

Duke Ellington

http://www.schirmer.com/composers/ellington_bio.html

<http://www.pbs.org/ellingtonsdcdnoteMusicians.htm>

<http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/aa/ellington>

Louis Armstrong

<http://www.npg.si.edu/exh/armstrong/>

<http://www.time.com/time/time100/artists/profile/armstrong.html>

<http://tinpan.fortunecity.com/riff/11/>

Bessie Smith

<http://www.redhotjazz.com/bessie.html>

<http://www.netsrq.com/~dbois/smith.html>

<http://www.africana.com/>

Ma Rainey

<http://www.redhotjazz.com/Rainey.html>

<http://library.thinkquest.org/10320/Rainey.htm?tqskip1=1&tqtime=0416>

Marian Anderson

<http://www.afrovoices.com/anderson.html>
<http://www.netsrq.com/~dbois/anderson.html>
http://txtx.essortment.com/biographyofmar_rgtl.htm
<http://pathfinder.com/photo/week/0227.htm>

Paul Robeson

<http://www.rutgers.edu/robeson/main.html>
http://www.africana.com/Utilities/Content.html?&../cgi-bin/banner.pl?banner=Arts&../Articles/tt_154.htm
<http://www.npg.si.edu/exh/robeson/robes2.htm>
<http://www.anc.org.za/ancdocs/history/solidarity/robeson.html>

Fletcher Henderson

<http://www.redhotjazz.com/fletcher.html>
<http://www.si.umich.edu/CHICO/Harlem/text/fhenderson.html>
<http://www.jazzinstituteofchicago.org/index.asp?target=/jazzgram/articles/flhenderson.asp>

Jelly Roll Morton

<http://www.redhotjazz.com/jellyroll.html>
<http://www.duke.edu/~nbp/>
http://www.pbs.org/jazz/biography/artist_id_morton_jelly_roll.htm

Part 3-Entertainers and Artists of the Harlem Renaissance

Aaron Douglas

<http://www.si.umich.edu/CHICO/Harlem/text/adouglas.html>

http://www.ops.org/wal/douglasweb/ad_artist.html

<http://www.npg.si.edu/exh/harmon/dougharm.htm>

William H. Johnson

<http://nmaa-ryder.si.edu/johnson/intro3.html>

<http://www.iniva.org/harlem/william.html>

http://americanart.si.edu/deptdir/edusub/whj_bio.html

James VanDer Zee

<http://www.vpa.niu.edu/museum/vanderzee.html>

http://www.hearnefineart.com/html/van_der_zee.html

<http://teacher.scholastic.com/researchtools/articlearchives/honormlk/jamesvan.htm>

Augusta Savage

<http://www.si.umich.edu/CHICO/Harlem/text/asavage.html>

<http://www.greencovesprings.com/savage.htm>

http://www.myflorida.com/myflorida/governorsoffice/black_history/bios/augusta_savage.html

http://www.artcyclopedia.com/artists/savage_augusta.html

Josephine Baker

http://www.things.org/music/al_stewart/history/josephine_baker.html

<http://www.stlouiswalkoffame.org/inductees/josephine-baker.html>

<http://www.donegal.k12.pa.us/dms/kif/josbaker.htm>

http://www.galegroup.com/free_resources/bhm/bio/baker_j.htm

Ethel Waters

<http://www.si.umich.edu/CHICO/Harlem/text/ewaters.html>

http://www.mrlucky.com/songbirds/html/oct99/9910_waters.html

http://www.viewtime.net/format_22.html

Clayton Peg Leg Bates

http://www.scafam-hist.org/search_detail.asp?FeatureMonth=12&FeatureYear=1991
<http://www.africanpubs.com/Apps/bios/0457BatesPeg.asp?pic=none>
<http://www.lindyhopensemble.com/blackspeak/clayton.htm>

Bill Boganles Robinson

<http://www.kathleenacademy.com/funzone/bojangls.html>
<http://www.bojanglesmuseum.com/>
<http://www.tapdance.org/tap/people/bojangle.htm>

Part 4- Writers of the Harlem Renaissance

Countee Cullen

<http://www.nku.edu/~diesmanj/cullen.html>
<http://www.kirjasto.sci.fi/ccullen.htm>
<http://www.poetrytodayonline.com/NOVcp.html>
<http://authors.aalbc.com/countee.htm>

Zora Neale Hurston

<http://voices.cla.umn.edu/authors/ZoraNealeHurston.html>
<http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramseyil/hurston.htm>
http://www.americanwriters.org/classroom/resources/tr_hurston.asp
<http://www.cas.usf.edu/anthropology/women/hurston/Zora.html>

Langston Hughes

<http://www.poets.org/poets/poets.cfm?prmID=84>
<http://falcon.jmu.edu/~ramseyil/hughes.htm>
http://www.english.uiuc.edu/maps/poets/g_l/hughes/hughes.htm
<http://www.americaslibrary.gov/cgi-bin/page.cgi/aa/hughes>

Jean Toomer

<http://www.poets.org/poets/jtoom>
http://www.english.uiuc.edu/maps/poets/s_z/toomer/toomer.htm
<http://www.aalbc.com/authors/jean.htm>

Claude McKay

http://www.english.uiuc.edu/maps/poets/m_r/mckay/mckay.htm
<http://www.poets.org/poets/cmcka>
<http://www.nku.edu/~diesmanj/mckay.html>

Activists of the Harlem Renaissance

W.E.B. DuBois

<http://www.duboisl.org/html/DuBoisBio.html>

<http://www.dc.peachnet.edu/~shale/humanities/composition/assignments/dubois.html>

<http://www.lucidcafe.com/library/96feb/dubois.html>

<http://blackhistory.eb.com/micro/179/2.html>

Marcus Garvey

<http://www.boomshaka.com/garvey.html>

<http://www.pbs.org/wgbh/amex/garvey/>

<http://www.bobartsinstitute.edu/Garvey.htm>

Philip Randolph

<http://www.aprihq.org/Bio-Rand1.htm>

<http://www.pbs.org/weta/apr/aprbio.html>

<http://www.georgemeany.org/apr.html>

Walter White

<http://www.npg.si.edu/exh/harmon/whitharm.htm>

<http://www.triadr.net/~rdavis/white.htm>

<http://womhist.binghamton.edu/nwp/doc1.htm>

http://www.africana.com/Utilities/Content.html?&../cgi-bin/banner.pl?banner=Blackworld&../articles/tt_530.htm

James Weldon Johnson

<http://www.poets.org/poets/poets.cfm?prmID=73&CFID=8038689&CFTOKEN=46903173>

<http://www.nku.edu/~diesmanj/johnson.html>

http://www.english.uiuc.edu/maps/poets/g_l/johnson/johnson.htm

<http://www.sc.edu/library/spcoll/amlit/johnson/johnson.html>