

[Recording of the Week: Flamenco runs in the blood](#)

Dr Alejandro Martínez was a London-based GP with a passion for flamenco. An amateur guitarist himself, he was well connected within the professional scene and counted among his friends some of the greatest singers (cantaos), guitarists (tocaos) and dancers (bailaos) of the 1950s and 1960s. Many of these flamenco stars...

[Recording of the week: 'Who goes down Euston Road?' 50 years of British Library memories](#)

Aerial view of the British Library, St Pancras. Photo by Sam Lane Photography. This month, the British Library celebrates its 50th anniversary. Brought into being by the British Library Act 1972, the Library was established on the 1 July 1973. Ten years later, the British Institute of Recorded Sound was...

[Recording of the week: Don McCullin on war photography](#)

I chose this interview with the war photographer Don McCullin to gain a deeper understanding of photography as a profession and, more specifically, photojournalism. From Finsbury Park, London, Don McCullin has collaborated with many national and international newspapers covering major world conflicts. He has won several awards including the prestigious...

Recording of the week: Death's-head hawk-moth (Acherontia Atropos)

Lifecycle of the Death's-head hawk-moth in Elizabeth Anne Kemp, Drawings and watercolours of English insects. 1803–25. Add Ms 17696-17698. On Monday 22 May, I was listening to BBC Radio 4's Start the Week. It was on 'birds and moths' and featured the British Library's very own Wildlife and Environmental Sound...

Recording of the week: Windrush Voices

For this week's 'Recording of the Week' the Library's Schools Team celebrates Windrush Day. Windrush Day is this week on June 22nd, the date in 1948 when the Empire Windrush docked at Tilbury. This week, and all year round, the British Library Schools Team run a session that looks at...