

## Open House 2018 – Alexandra Road Estate, Camden

This weekend is Open House and one of the highlights is the Alexandra Road Estate, which features heavily in the British Library oral history collections.

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## Seeing sound: What is a spectrogram?

Greg Green, Audio Project Cataloguer for Unlocking our Sound Heritage writes: In this digital age, most of us are familiar with audio waveforms, the 'wavy' images that represent the dynamic course of a particular sound recording. Waveforms are in fact a type of graph, with time on the X axis...

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## Recording of the week: Whistling to the bujok – Batek fishing techniques

Coleridge Research Fellow Dr Alice Rudge writes: The Batek are a hunting and gathering people who dwell in the lowland rainforests of Peninsular Malaysia. When visiting recently, I accompanied Batek friends on a fishing trip and was taught some new techniques. We left early in the morning, as the river...

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## Mary Jane Long

MJ Long, who died recently, was one of the key architects of the British Library. She was interviewed by Jill Lever for Architects' Lives in 1997-98.

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# Listening to mammals with the Batek

Coleridge Research Fellow Dr Alice Rudge writes: The Batek are hunting and gathering people who dwell in the lowland rainforests of Peninsular Malaysia. During my fieldwork with them, I played some recordings of mammal sounds which are held at the Library. Batek people have extremely detailed ecological knowledge of the...