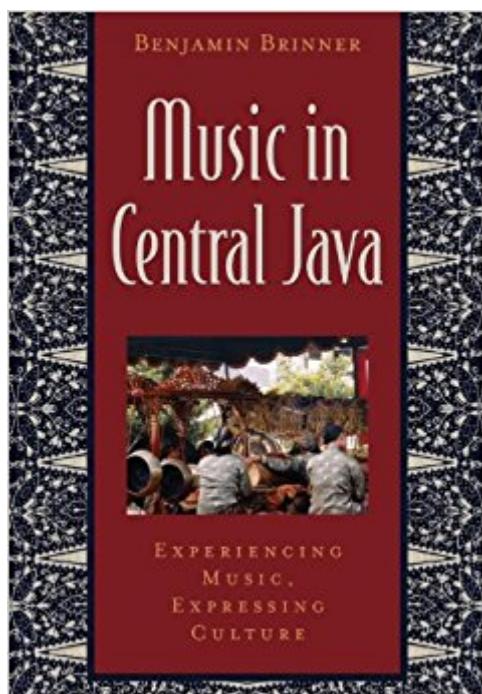


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# Music In Central Java: Experiencing Music, Expressing Culture (Global Music Series)



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