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extent suspends language and is thus often prematurely considered ineffable. The book proposes a broader understanding of how the

performing arts give rise to a sense of meaningfulness whose feltbodily affectivity is pivotal to music-making and lived realities. Music Worlding thus seeks to draw the reader closer to the holistic complexity of music-making both in Palau and more generally.