

Middle East PhoNographic Mornings #11/15  
Each Morning of the World #10  
**Dubai** ~ United Arabs Emirates  
Location: 25.212789110932704, 55.262067108247045  
**"Dubai urban street"**  
**Simon Charles**

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I recently moved to a villa on a residential street in Dubai, very close to the downtown area. Outside there is a quiet street with trees and lot's of bird activity in the mornings. As I'm in the middle east there is of course the call to prayer 5 times per day the the first one of the day, Fajr, was at 04:05am on the day I recorded. I wanted to record this and the relative quietness after it ended including the morning chorus and the start of some activity on the street.

I recorded for about 2 hours and there was quite a lot of activity, garbage trucks etc which I didn't want to include so excluded most of the traffic and any talking. Gardeners tend to be watering etc at that time as well and I decided to remove that. The final edit is what it sounds like much of the time in the morning.

I will add that it was already 34°C at that time in the morning so there is AC hum throughout the recording, unfortunately that's just something you get used to living here.

Recorder: Sound Devices MixPre6-I  
Microphone: Pearl Microphones MSH-10 (MS Stereo)  
Recorded in MS and widened slightly in post

Processed and edited in Nuendo with a small amount of mastering in Wavelab.

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*"I'm Simon Charles. I have over 20 years of experience working in many aspects of sound, including short films and features, television series, reality, documentaries, commercials, corporate, audio post production, sound design and even theatre productions in London's West End and aboard luxury cruise ships. I also have a passion for recording sounds around me. Having lived in the UAE for the past 9 years I've recorded all over the country, from the mountains & deserts to the beaches & the cities this has produced quite a unique collection."*

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