Televi Shaker





Please don't ask where the name comes from – it has nothing to do with television. Probably it is some African word.

Now, there are two small pumpkin balls connected with a cord. One ball you hold between middle and ring finger; the other ball hangs down over the hand's back. Then you shake the ball skillfully towards your palm so that it strikes the other ball: Clak! In that way you move it to and fro. As the balls are filled with seeds you can also shake them; the best time is between the claks. There are many interesting rhythms. If you get used to it use both hands. If you cannot figure it out yourself ask an African musician to show you. It is an amazing little thing!