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How to Locate Music Scores at U.W. Libraries

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Books about music are cataloged in the M-MT call number area of the library.

M=Music scores

ML= books about music (music literature) MT=books about the study or teaching of music

There are some folios (oversized) music books shelved separately—folio is indicated in the catalog in front of the call number.

Classical Music

A. Using the UW Catalog to search for scores

Choose the Keyword search in the catalog. An effective way to search is to type the composer's name and a distinct part of the piece's title to see if the UW Libraries own the specific score you need.

Ex. Beethoven Op. 125

You may also combine your search term(s) with the word scores to conduct a wider search.

Ex. Bach cantatas scores

Use the truncation symbol ? to search for various word endings and plurals.

Ex. Mozart sonata? violin

Other Ex. Concertos scores parts; piano music bibliography

Additional limiting: Clicking the "Set Limits" button at the bottom right of the screen provides the option to limit item type to music score. This limit will remain in place until the "Clear Limits" button is clicked.

World Cat (scores limiter available) and **Prospector** are two additional databases to search. If UW Libraries doesn't have a score you need, you can request it through one of these databases and it will be sent to you for borrowing.

B. Reference Books

Classical scores are not always cataloged individually but are also available in collected editions or complete works. Consult one or more of the following reference books to determine in which volume of collected works the score appears. Then, search for that title in the UW Library catalog. (Ex. *Oeuvres Completes de Claude Debussy*)

The New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians, 2nd ed. (29 vols.) **ALSO ONLINE**
Coe Ref ML 100.N48 2001

Lists composers' works with volume and page location in collected editions.

After finding the title of the collected edition or complete works, search for it by title in the UW Catalog.

Collected Editions, Historical Series & Sets & Monuments of Music: A Bibliography

Coe Ref ML 113. H55 1997

Organized by composer name, each entry lists collected works and editions. An updated supplement to the below work.

Historical Sets, Collected Editions, and Monuments of Music: A Guide to Their Contents

Coe Ref ML 113. H52 1980

Consists of two volumes. Volume 1 is the text volume which lists the collections alphabetically by composer or by title of the collection. Each entry includes publication information and the contents of each volume in the set.

Volume 2 is the index volume and is searchable by composer name, which in turn lists titles of individual works. The name of the collection containing the individual work is listed right beneath it. Refer to Volume 1 for additional information about the set.

Music in Print Series

The MIP Master Composer and Master Title Indexes are a single place to look in order to locate any composer or title listed in this series, which has 28 volumes and over 400,000 individual entries. When looking for a specific piece of music, the master index directs the user to the specific volume of the MIP series where the complete information about the piece is located. Each title entry includes the composer, year, published title of the edition in which the composition appears, publisher and price of the edition.

Music in Print Master Composer Index

Coe Ref ML 113. M8825

Music in Print Master Title Index

Coe Ref ML 113. M8827

Sacred Choral Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. V7 S2 (indexes); Coe Ref ML 128. V7 E78 (supplements)

Secular Choral Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128.V7. D3 (index and supplements)

Organ Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. O6 F 72 (index); Coe Ref ML 128. O6 F7 (supplement)

Classical Vocal Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. V7 N3355 (index); Coe Ref ML 128. V7 N335 (supplements)

Orchestral Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. O5 F3336 (indexes); Coe Ref ML 128. O5 F33 (supplement)

String Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. S7 F4 (indexes and supplements)

Classical Guitar Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. G8 J 36 (index and supplement)

Woodwind Music in Print

Coe Ref ML 128. W5 P48 (index)

C. Classical Music Distributors on the Web

There are several classical sheet music publishers and distributors on the web including Kalmus, J.W. Pepper, Norton, Schirmer, and University Music Editions.

II. Popular Music

A. Using the UW Catalog to search for scores

Popular songs are published almost exclusively in collections. Check these print indexes to find in which collection the song appears. Next, do a title search in the catalog to see if the Libraries own that particular collected works edition.

B. Reference Books

Children's Song Index

Coe Ref ML 128. S3 C55 1996

An index to juvenile songs in American songbooks published between 1977-1994. Includes a subject index.

The Great Song Thesaurus

Coe Ref ML 128. S3 L4 1989

The 10,000 best known popular songs from English speaking countries.

The Green Book of Songs by Subject : the Thematic Guide to Popular Music

Coe Ref ML156.4.P6G73 1995

Over 21,000 popular songs are classified into over 800 subjects and subcategories. All genres of music in the entire twentieth century are included. Subject words are located at the top of each page to assist browsing. Songs appear under subject headings. The song title appears in bold, the artist and album and record label complete the entry.

Index to Song Books

Coe Ref ML 128. S3 L45

A title index to songs in 111 song books published between 1933 and 1962.

Literature for Voice

ML 128.S3 G64 1984

For music teachers of beginning voice students, an index of class voice anthologies. Each entry has a brief annotation and illustrates the song's range in musical notation.

National Anthems of the World

Coe Ref M 1627.N 269 1993

National anthems of 185 countries.

Popular Song Index

Coe Ref ML 128. S3 H4

Indexes folk songs, popular tunes, spirituals, hymnals, children's songs, sea chanteys and blues. Several volumes, the first covers 1940-1972. Subsequent volumes cover through 1989.

Song Finder: A Title Index to 32,000 Popular Songs in Collections, 1854-1992

Coe Ref ML 128. S3 F47 1995

Coverage of songbooks ranging from 1854-1992. More of a folk music emphasis.

The Song Index of the Enid Pratt Free Library (2 vols.)

Coe Ref ML 128. S3 L665 1998

A finding guide for all types of songs including school songs, novelty songs, folk, popular, show tunes, advertisement songs and more. Indexed by song title and composer. Compiled from the extensive collection of song books and fake books held by Enid Pratt Library in Baltimore.

SongCite: An Index to Popular Songs

Coe Ref ML 128. P63 G65 1995

An index to recently published collections of popular songs. The usual structure, with the bibliography of titles first followed by the index of titles/first lines and composers. Has a supplemental volume from 1999.

State Songs: Anthems and their Origins

Coe Ref ML 3551. H 58 2000

Brief histories of each state song accompany the lyrics and sheet music.

The Ultimate Fakebook (2 vols.)

Coe Ref M 1630.18 T 526

Fake books provide melodies, lyrics and chords. The one line music notation guides the musician but allows him or her to improvise an arrangement. Song titles are indexed by title, composer/lyricist, and arranged into popular categories like country, special occasion, big band and patriotic.

Where's That Tune? An Index to Songs in Fakebooks

Coe Ref ML 128.P63 G66 1990

An index to 64 fake books. Arranged in three parts, first is the bibliography of book title with its numerical code, second is the title index and third is the composer index.

C. Popular Music Distributors on the Web

Large commercial bookstores online, like Amazon, sell many popular songbooks and popular sheet music--new and used (some classical music scores are also available).

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