

MIT LEWIS MUSIC LIBRARY



WRITING A PAPER

MUSIC MATERIALS

The Lewis Music Library collection includes:

- Over 15,000 books
- 75 print journal subscriptions
- 35,000 scores
- 20,000 recordings

USING BARTON

Barton, the MIT Libraries' online catalog: <http://libraries.mit.edu/barton>

- Basic search tips: <http://libraries.mit.edu/tutorials/barton/>
- Locating music recordings and scores: <http://libraries.mit.edu/tutorials/barton/music.html>

ONLINE RESOURCES

Listening to music:

- *DRAM (Database of Recorded American Music)* contains over 9,800 compositions (1,500 CDs) by American composers and artists from the New World, CRI, and other important labels. Instructions for accessing DRAM: <http://libraries.mit.edu/music/dram.html>
- The *Naxos Music Library* contains over 240,000 tracks of music (mostly classical). Instructions for accessing Naxos: <http://libraries.mit.edu/music/naxos.html>
- *Naxos Jazz* offers nearly 20,000 tracks from over 2,000 albums, representing over 500 jazz artists. Instructions for accessing Naxos Jazz: <http://libraries.mit.edu/music/naxos.html#jazz>

Researching a topic:

- Music Subject Guides for specific topics (jazz, world music, piano music, songs, etc.): <http://libraries.mit.edu/guides/subjects/music/index.html>
- Barton does not list individual articles in journals. These can be found through indexes:
 - *Music Index Online* covers writings from 1975 to present and includes a wide range of topics, especially popular music: <http://libraries.mit.edu/get/musicindex>

- *RILM Abstracts Online* (Répertoire International de Littérature Musicale) covers writings on music from 1967 to the present and contains an abstract about each citation:
<http://libraries.mit.edu/get/rilm>
- E-Journals: the library subscribes to approximately 75 online music journals:
<http://libraries.mit.edu/ej/music>
- Encyclopedia: *New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians* at
<http://libraries.mit.edu/get/grove-music>

WRITING TIPS

MIT Libraries' Information Navigator: <http://libraries.mit.edu/tutorials/general/index.html>

ORGANIZING YOUR REFERENCES

Suggestions for keeping track of your references:
<http://news-libraries.mit.edu/blog/organizing-references/574/>

LIBRARY UPDATES (also available as RSS)

- MIT Libraries news blog: <http://libraries.mit.edu/news>
- Recent additions to the collection: <http://libraries.mit.edu/help/rss/barton/>
- Help for RSS: <http://libraries.mit.edu/help/rss/>

LIBRARY MATERIALS NOT AT MIT

- InterLibrary Borrowing may be able to get an article (usually within a week) or book (can take up to two weeks) not owned by the MIT Libraries: <http://libraries.mit.edu/ilb>
- Boston Library Consortium (BLC): <http://libraries.mit.edu/blc>
The Boston Library Consortium is a cooperative association of academic and research libraries in the greater Boston area. If your research requires materials not available at MIT, you may qualify for a BLC borrowing card. Ask the reference staff in Hayden, Barker, Dewey, or Rotch Library.

QUESTIONS?

- Visit the Lewis Music Library in Bldg. 14E-109. Library hours: <http://libraries.mit.edu/hours>
- Call the library at 617-253-5689. Reference help is available Monday-Friday, 8:30am-5:00pm.
- Ask a question online through the MIT Libraries' Ask Us!: <http://libraries.mit.edu/ask>
- More information: Lewis Music Library home page, <http://libraries.mit.edu/music>