

A GUIDE TO FINDING FIDDLE MUSIC

Does the Lewis Music Library have music scores of traditional fiddle music?

- Yes! Many will be found with folk music collections in M1678 (USA) through M1746 (Scotland).
- A few are classified with the violin method books in MT279.
- Also see the list of recommended scores below.

How do I find these materials in the online catalog?

- For scores, set Barton's Advanced Search to format "Scores" and use Subject Words "fiddle" (26 results)
- Also try these subjects terms:

Fiddle tunes	Fiddle tunes -- Nova Scotia -- Cape Breton Island
Fiddle music - Ireland	Folk dance music -- United States
Folk dance music	Folk music -- Appalachian Region, Southern
Folk dance music -- Ireland	Celtic music
Folk dance music -- Norway	Reels (Music)
Folk music -- Scotland	Strathspeys
- For compact discs, search for format "CDs" and Subject Words "fiddle" (84 results); also try fiddlers; fiddling; fiddle tunes; bluegrass music.
- A DVD of Alan Jabbour: MT279.5.O44 2003 [DVD]

A Selection of Recommended Scores:

The Fiddler's fakebook / [compiled] by David Brody. M1627.F45 1983

The Gow collection of Scottish dance music / compiled & edited by Richard Carlin. M1746.G715 1986

Masters of old-time fiddling / [compiled] by Miles Krassen. M1629.6.A6.M38 1983

Mel Bay presents Fiddling around the world / [compiled] by Mary An Harbar. M40.F5 2002 [score & audio CD]

The Old-time fiddler's repertory / compiled and edited by R.P. Christeson. M1629.6.S75.O4 1973 v.1-2

O'Neill's music of Ireland: eighteen hundred and fifty melodies: airs, jigs, reels, hornpipes, long dances, marches, etc., many of which are now published for the first time / collected from all available sources, and edited by Francis O'Neill; arranged by James O'Neill. M1744.O6 1996

Ryan's mammoth collection: 1050 reels and jigs: hornpipes, clogs, walk-arounds, essences, strathspeys, highland flings and contra dances, with figures: and how to play them / by Patrick Sky. M1627.R97 1995

The Skye collection of the best reels & strathspeys extant: embracing over four hundred tunes / collected from all the best sources, compiled & arranged for violin & piano by Keith Norman MacDonald. M1746.S617 1986

Winston Fitzgerald: a collection of fiddle tunes: melodies arranged from performances by the legendary Cape Breton fiddler / arranged and edited by Paul Stewart Cranford. M1678.W56 1997

The library subscribes to these journals covering fiddle and string music:

- *Fiddler magazine*, v.6 (1999/2000)-present
- *Sing out*, v.26(1977/1978) incomplete-present
- *The Strad*, v.83 (1972/1973)-present; Latest 5 years in Music; earlier in Library Storage Annex
- *Strings*, v.13 (1998/1999)-present

The library also subscribes to two music audio online services:

- Naxos: <http://libraries.mit.edu/get/naxos> (MIT certificates required from off campus)
- DRAM (American music): <http://libraries.mit.edu/get/dram> (MIT certificates required from off campus)

Some fiddle web sites:

- Links from fiddlers.org: <http://www.fiddlers.org/links.html>
- New Hampshire Library of Traditional Music and Dance: <http://www.izaak.unh.edu/nhltmd/links.htm>
- Roots of American Fiddle Music: <http://www.1001tunes.com/LINKS.htm>
- For the beginning fiddler: <http://www.helpsite.ca/music/#music>

Can I recommend some music for the library?

Please do! A suggested purchase form (MIT only) is online at <http://libraries.mit.edu/suggest-purchase>

What can I check out of the library?

- Books and scores circulate for 28 days.
- Bound print journals circulate for 1 week.
- CDs and DVDs circulate for 3 days (limit of 5, no renewals).
- iPods circulate for 1 day (no renewal).

When are you open?

- IAP hours are Monday-Friday, 10:00am-6:00pm; Saturday & Sunday, 1:00pm-4:00pm
- Fall/Spring Semester hours are: Monday-Thursday, 8:30am-10:00pm; Friday, 8:30am-6:00pm; Saturday, 1:00pm-6:00pm; Sunday, 1:00pm-10:00pm.

What if I have other questions?

- Call us: 617-253-5689
- E-mail us: <http://libraries.mit.edu/music/ask-music.html>
- Come in and talk to us!