



**St John's College Library**

**SUBJECT GUIDE:**  
**MUSIC**

## Resources for Music

### 1. *Books*

Books on music can be found in the Chapel wing, First floor. All music books have classmarks beginning with M. The oversize sequence starts on the left hand side as you enter the Chapel wing and is followed by the normal sequence.

A broad outline of the arrangement of music follows:

M	Music
ML	Literature on music
ML 1-159	General works and reference works
ML 160-384	History and criticism of music
ML 385-429	Composers and performers
ML 430-455	Composition
ML 460-1354	Instruments and instrumental music
ML 1400-3275	Vocal music
ML 3300-3354	Programme music
ML 3400-3465	Dance music
ML 3545-3775	National music
ML 3800-3923	Philosophy and physics of music
MT	Musical instruction and study

New grove dictionary of music and musicians ML 100.G7

5th edition    REF.9.ARTS.MUSIC  
  (Ground floor)

### 2. *Journals*

All of the Library's journal holdings, listed by subject, are available via the website:

[www.joh.cam.ac.uk/journals](http://www.joh.cam.ac.uk/journals)

The Library takes one music journal: Music Analysis. Bound parts are on the First floor at M 5.A5 and unbound parts in the Current Periodicals Area on the Ground floor. The Library also takes the Musica Britannica series, which may be found in the oversize sequence at M i.M8.

Ejournals can be searched via [eresources@cambridge](mailto:eresources@cambridge) (see below for more information).

### **3. *Audiovisual materials***

The Library has a growing collection of Audiovisual materials. These may be found in the Audiovisual Room on the First floor, which is open during staffed hours for browsing the collection. Facilities are available in this room for viewing videos/DVDs and listening to CDs and cassettes for study purposes. AV materials may be borrowed for one week and renewed once.

All AV items are on the library catalogue and may be found using the standard author and title searches. Copies of a separate printed listing of AV items is located in the AV room and at the Issue Desk.

### **4. *Electronic Resources***

[The Library Gateway](#) provides a complete guide to electronic resources available across the University:

[www.lib.cam.ac.uk/eresources/index.php](http://www.lib.cam.ac.uk/eresources/index.php)

Select 'Music' from the drop-down menu.

Key resources include:

Concert Programmes database

Early Music Online

Oxford Music Online (formerly Grove)

RILM Abstracts of Music Literature

[The Pendlebury Library](#) also has a useful webpage listing links to online resources for music students, together with links to other recommended music sites:

<http://www.mus.cam.ac.uk/pendlebury/category/resources/>

*Note: A Raven password is required for online access off-campus*

## **Recommendations**

The College Library aims to provide all works necessary for Part One courses, and a selection of the most important works required for Part Two. We receive reading lists from the departmental libraries in advance of each academic year, and continually update the Library collections in response to requests from Directors of Studies, supervisors, and students. If texts you require for your course are not available in the College Library, please talk to a member of Library staff. Recommendation cards for new purchases can be found at the Issue Desk, and all reasonable requests will be considered.

## **Help**

If you have any difficulty in tracing the material you need, whether in printed or electronic format, please ask a member of Library staff for assistance.