

IMSA Information Resource Center  
**Music**  
*A Research Guide to get you started*

**Finding music materials**

**BROWSING:** *In the IRC, books, videos and DVDs all have Dewey numbers.*

*How Music Dewey numbers work:*

780	Music	780.9	history	786	Keyboard & percussion
781	Principles, forms			787	Strings
782-783	Vocal music			788	Winds
784-785	Ensembles				

In the IRC, all CDs are numbered A 780.266, on the carts by the Circulation Desk. Most CDs are arranged by composer.

Videos and DVDs are together in one section; most videos and CDs about music are in V 780.

**ILLINET ONLINE:** *How Music Subject headings work:*

Music in an Any Word Anywhere search gives hundreds of titles

Music in a Browse Subject search organizes the titles by subject

*Or use specific headings:*

Music acoustics	Music dictionaries	Opera	Jazz	Blues	Rock
Music Africa	Zydeco	Music and science	etc.		

**Some Reference background**

R 780.3 SADI NEW 1980	New Grove dictionary of music and musicians. 20 vols.
R 781.64092 BAKE 2004	Baker's biographical dictionary of pop musicians since 1990
R 781.6509 KIRC OXFO 2000	The Oxford companion to jazz
R 781.6603 BILL 2003	Billboard illustrated encyclopedia of rock
R. 920.7203 COMMWOME1999	Women in World History; a biographical Encyclopedia. 17 vols.

**Some circulating books**

780.89 DJED TURN 1999	Turn up the volume: celebration of African music/ DjeDje
780.82 BRIS NEW 2004	New historical anthology of music by women / Briscoe
781.773 CHAS AMER 1987	America's music, from the pilgrims to the present / Chase
784.1 GIL	The Book of the violin / edited by Dominic Gill

- 786.209 PARAPIAN1999 Piano roles : three hundred years of life with the piano / Parakilas
- 782.10269 LOCLYRI1991 Lyric Opera companion
- 780.9 BUEL HIST 2004 History of Baroque music / Buelow
- 780 SATI MAMM 1996 A mammal's notebook / Erik Satie
- 780.05 JAME MUSI 1995 The music of the spheres : music, science, and the natural order of the universe / Jamie James
- 782.12026 SULLCOMP1996 Complete annotated Gilbert and Sullivan

### **Biographies**

- 780.92 MOZASADI1983 New Grove Mozart / Stanley Sadie
- 780.92 BACHWOLF1983 New Grove Bach family / Christoph Wolff
- 782.421660922 KANETICK2003 Ticket to ride; inside the Beatles' 1964 tour...
- 781.643092 TOWNTOWN1999 Blues life / Henry Townsend

### **Some Fun Reads**

- 780.9 LYNC CLAS 1994 Classical music for beginners / Stacy Lynch
- 780.9 HART SONG 2003 Songcatchers; in search of the world's music/ Hart

### **IRC Online databases, through the IRC homepage**

<http://staff.imsa.edu/irc/reference/subscriptions.html>

JSTOR covers 33 music journals fulltext.  
InfoTrac, Electric Library and EBSCOhost also have full-text music journals