

To find electronic resources for music research, follow this path:

**Cook Library Homepage:** <http://cooklibrary.towson.edu>

**When accessing from campus,** open **Subject Gateways – Music**

**When accessing from off campus:**

- ♪ on Cook Library Homepage go to **Quick Tools – Off Campus Log in** – scroll down and select **Research Port**
- ♪ choose **Towson University** as your institution
- ♪ input **14 digit ID number from TU OneCard and last name** to log in
- ♪ from **Databases by Subject** list scroll to **Music** and select **ALL databases**

#### **Journal Article Indexing/Abstracting Databases**

- provide indexing to journals on a variety of subjects
- provide some full text document delivery
- can be accessed from on or off campus

#### **Major Music Related Databases Indexing Journal Articles**

**RILM (Repertoire International de Litterature Musicale)** - Provides indexing to journal articles, books, dissertations, conference proceedings and more. Limited full text is offered, with additional full text available through the **Find It** button. Result list and citations can be emailed, saved to a disc, or printed. **Note – only four simultaneous users. Be considerate and exit the database as soon as you have finished.**

**Music Index Online** – Provides more full text than *RILM*, but has same interface. Search for dissertations using WorldCat. Full text available through **Find It** button.

**International Index to Music Periodicals** – Provides indexing to music journals and a good bit of full text document delivery. Articles can be emailed or printed. Some graphics and PDF's are included. **Note – only four simultaneous users. Be considerate and exit the database as soon as you have finished.**

**International Index to the Performing Arts** – Provides indexing and some full text delivery of articles in journals covering dance, musical theatre, and film music. Articles can be emailed or printed. Some graphics and PDF's are included. **Note – only four simultaneous users. Be considerate and exit the database as soon as you have finished.**

#### **Multidisciplinary Journal Article Databases that Include Some Music Topics**

**Humanities Abstracts** – provides indexing and good amount of full text document delivery of journal articles. **Find It** button opens additional electronic access and ILL options. Results can be emailed, saved to a disc, or printed.

**JSTOR** – Full text database with complete runs of many historic music journals. Search engine is not as fine tuned and results are not as targeted as above databases. Always use **Advanced Search** and limit to “Articles” if necessary. You can also search a specific journal title.



**Arts and Humanities Citation Index** – indexes journals – no full text. To see full text, open Find It button for options. In many cases, you will need to use the Find It link for ILLiad to request a copy of an article through Interlibrary Loan (ILLiad). **Note – only five simultaneous users. Be considerate and exit the database as soon as you have finished.**

### Special Content Databases for Music Research

**Oxford Music Online (includes Grove Music Online)** – full text articles in an encyclopedic format for a variety of topics in music. Includes *Grove's Dictionary of Opera* and *Grove's Dictionary of Jazz in GMO*, as well as separate entries in *Oxford Dictionary of Music* and *Oxford Companion to Music*. Articles can be printed or emailed. **Note: Only four simultaneous users are allowed. Be considerate and exit as soon as you have finished.**

**Biography Resource Center** – full text reference book entries and magazine articles about personalities alive and deceased from a wide range of disciplines. Articles can be printed or emailed. **Note: Only four simultaneous users are allowed. Be considerate and exit as soon as you have finished.**

**Opera in Video** – full length opera performances on film for streaming on your desktop

**Naxos Music Library** – Sound library of streamed audio recordings from the Naxos and affiliated recording labels. Search by composer, work title or genre. Mainly classical recordings but database includes world music, Celtic, New Age, and Film scores.

**Smithsonian Global Sound** – Sound library of streamed audio recordings from the recording labels and archives of the Smithsonian Institution

### Electronic Book Databases which Include Books about Music



**Academic Complete (ebrary)** – database of full text electronic books on a variety of music titles. Use Advanced Search to be able to search by topic or author/title. Viewing of e-books in ebrary requires the download of an online viewer for access. See system requirements for details.

**NetLibrary** – similar to above database but not as wide in scope of music texts offered.

**Early English Books Online (EEBO)** – full text documents, broadsides, books, and treatises published in United Kingdom and the US from 1473-1700. Includes some scores, but mainly text documents.

### To See Articles in Journals Subscribed to by Cook Library

Follow direct full text link in citation to see electronic full text subscriptions AND always open the **Find It** box when available to see other options. Some journals are carried in electronic format, but there are some titles that are only available in print at Cook Library. If the journal you want is a print journal subscription, you will need to check the call number of the bound journal and visit the STACKS area of the library to find the journal and make a photocopy of the article that you need.

Here is a list of the Find It tag results that are shown in article databases:

**Find It tags and their meanings:**

- **Full text** – click directly on the **GO** link to another database which will provide the electronic version of the article
- **Print may be available at Towson's Cook Library** – TU most likely owns a print subscription to this journal - open this link to see that catalog record and verify that the year you need is included in our subscription
- **Print may be available at another University of Maryland library** – a USMAI library owns title –you can either visit that library to get a copy or request a copy of the article through Interlibrary Loan (ILLiad)
- **Request Document via Interlibrary Loan** – USMAI does not own the journal in any format – click on this link to open **ILLiad**, and fill out the form for an **Article Copy Request**

**To Obtain Journal Articles not Subscribed to by Cook Library**

You can request a copy of an article to be made and sent to you for your research. If your database does not have **Find It** button, open **ILLiad (Services – Interlibrary Loan/ILLiad)**. First time users must create an account in ILLiad to request books and articles.

Once you have created an ILLiad account, log in and select **Request a Photocopy** and complete form. Click on submit button to send request.



**Note:** Databases with limited simultaneous users may need to be searched in off-peak times. Be sure to save/email data or print as you search.

**Report database access problems to the Cook Library Reference Desk at 410 704-2462.**

**Need more help? *Wozworld Quick Guides to Research* to the rescue!**

If you need further help in conducting basic research for this class, check out the ***Wozworld Quick Guides to Research*** links on my website and blog. These guides have screen shots and illustrations to walk you through ten different research tasks introduced in this class.

You are always welcome to make an appointment with me for individual help. Please phone or email ahead for an appointment. If you need immediate help, visit the library where a librarian is on duty most evenings until 10 PM. You can also phone the reference desk for help at 410 704-2498.

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