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At the beginning of 2008 the sad news came about the death of Agnieszka Mietelska-Ciepierska who passed away on 14 January. She was Head of the Music Collection Department at the Jagiellonian Library in Kraków for more than 30 years. Her obituary, by Sylwia Heinrich, appears in this issue of *Fontes Artis Musicae*.

Conferences and Meetings

On 17-19 September 2007 the 2nd edition of the Conference *Music in European Culture* took place in Łańcut near Rzeszów. The Conference was organized together with the Institute of Musicology of the Jagiellonian University and the Łańcut Castle Museum. The conference included more than 70 musicologists, music librarians, and students, coming from 26 institutions in 14 cities. The main topic was “Collections of European Music in Libraries and Archives in Poland”. The venue, Łańcut Castle – one of the most beautiful aristocratic residences in Poland, famous for its excellent interiors – was a wonderful place not only for presenting papers but also for two concerts entitled “Newly Recovered Compositions from Archives and Libraries” and “250th Anniversary of the Birth of Ignaz Joseph Pleyel”. Many pieces performed during the concerts came from the Łańcut Castle Library. The post-conference publication is being prepared and it will be published at the beginning of 2009.

The 2nd Working Meeting of Librarians Cataloguing Music was organized at National Union Catalogue Centre (NUKAT) in Warsaw on 5-6 May 2008. Fifty-eight music librarians from the 18 main Polish libraries took part in this meeting. Papers were presented about recent solutions in NUKAT functionality, music subject headings, and uniform titles for music. On the second day a special panel was held to discuss cataloguing problems and to present non typical examples of music publications in relation to MARC21 format. As a result of the meeting a lot of problems have been solved and new rules of interpretation for cataloguing and creating uniform titles were discussed and prepared for approval by NUKAT Centre.

Publications

The new volume of *Biblioteka Muzyczna – Music Library 2000-2006*, edited by Stanisław Hrabia and Andrzej Spóz, has been published (Warszawa: Wydawnictwo SBP, 2008). It contains 25 papers from conferences of Polish Music Librarians held in Katowice (2001), Warsaw (2002), Gniezno (2003) and Ciężen (2006). The papers are gathered according to four main topics: 1) music collections in relation to musical life of various centers, 2) composers, musicians, music lovers, and music collectors, 3) sound archives, and 4) tributes to music librarians who have died in recent years (Maria Prokopowicz, Wanda Bogdany-Popielowa, Marek Stachyra). The volume contains also a bibliography of music librarianship in Poland from year 2000 to 2006.

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The newly established Polish RILM Committee had its first working meeting in Warsaw University Library on 7 March 2008. The meeting included not only Committee members but also other librarians interested in the Project. Stanisław Hrabia, co-ordinator of the RILM National Committee of Poland, presented an overview of the iBis database. He prepared a Polish translation of iBis instruction for Committee members. Other texts which has been also translated: the summary text of RILM website (trans. by Stanisław Hrabia) and “How to write an abstract?” (transl. by Czesława Zawrotniak). The texts are available on the RILM website.

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