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In 2018, the Czech National IAML Branch (ČNS IAML) has 27 institutional members from the Bohemia and Moravia regions, 12 of which are also international members.

Colleagues from other music libraries and music departments, as well as colleagues from the associated institutions, regularly participate in events administered or co-run by the Czech National Branch.

The most recent plenary session of the Czech National Branch took place on 19 and 20 September 2017 in The Krajská knihovna Františka Bartoše ve Zlíně / František Bartoš Regional Library in Zlín (East Moravia). The topic of the session was Music in East Moravia, its history and present. The programme of this event also included information on the proceedings from the International IAML Conference in Riga in 2017.

On 26 and 27 September 2017, Zoja Seyčková and Zuzana Petrášková attended the annual IAML session in Slovak Republic in Bratislava. This forum discussed the problems of Slovak and Czech music libraries.

On 22 and 23 May 2018, the music librarians had a meeting in Brno, where the Jiří Mahen's Library held a seminar on the theme Hudebně historické renomé aneb Od středověku po současnost / Music and historical renown or From the Middle Ages to the Present.

At the meeting, Zoja Seyčková presented information about plans for the upcoming activities of the Czech National IAML Branch. Zuzana Petrášková spoke about starting a project called "Nový fonograf" / "New phonograph". This is a joint project with the Czech Museum of Music, the National Library of the Czech Republic, the library of the Czech Academy of Sciences and the Masaryk University. The project focusses on the processing and accessibility of older formats such as shellac discs, housed in these institutions.

On 23 and 24 October 2018, the National Library in Prague and the Municipal Library, Prague, will host an annual IAML session. The topic of the session is 100 years of the foundation of Czechoslovakia, it will include a concert and an exhibition. The programme of this upcoming event will also include information on the proceedings from the 2018 International IAML Congress in Leipzig.

In 2018, the Music Department of the Municipal Library in Prague celebrates 125th anniversary of its foundation. In the period 2017-2018, the Music Department used the newly acquired space in the gallery for the first time to offer free-choice music. It focusses mainly on the younger generation, with two digital pianos placed at users' disposal.

Other activities

[Virtual National Phonotheque of the Czech Republic](#), with more than 450 000 records, this aims to provide information about the existence, location and content of audio documents published or located in the territory of the Czech Republic. The project is implemented by the Moravian Library in Brno.

Web Projects

ČNS IAML has its own [Facebook page](#), where we publish announcements of upcoming meetings and other information on our activities.

Website

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