

International Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres

New Zealand / Aotearoa

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Paul Emsley (Victoria University, Wellington) – Committee member

Board meetings held during the year

Annual branch meetings

Friday 10 November 2017, from 9 am to 10.30 am. Held at Auckland City Libraries. 14 members in attendance.

Branch membership figures

Membership of IAML (NZ) Branch for 2017 was slightly increased to 21 international members (institutional and individual) + 15 local members. 8 new members signed up.

Deaths of prominent members

Prof Peter Godfrey, MBE, original founding member of IAML NZ. d. 28.11.17

Branch constitutional matters

At the AGM the only change of officer was the confirmation of Elizabeth Smith as Secretary to replace Paul Emsley.

Branch activities

2017 Conference

Our annual conference began at Auckland University on Thursday 9th Nov 2017 with sessions ranging from Music Literacy teaching and a virtual tour of local Jazz venues in the early 20th century, to a study of Disney Theme Park music.

The first afternoon finished with tours of the University's Archive of Maori and Pacific Music and the new premises of New Zealand Opera in Parnell, followed by the conference dinner.

On the second day we moved to Auckland City Libraries for the AGM followed by reports about overseas congresses and a presentation on the creation of a NZ rock music exhibit at the Auckland Museum. Again the afternoon finished with visits to Auckland City's Special Collections and to the Auckland Philharmonia Orchestra music library.

Phillippa McKeown-Green and Rhys Thorn were both in attendance at the IAML Congress in Riga in July. Phillippa was appointed to the Liesbeth Hoedemaeker-Cohen Fund for IAML Congress Travel committee as the Australasian/Asian representative. Roger Flury was also there in his new role as IAML historian.

Branch projects

IAML NZ is discussing running another RDA Music Cataloguing course with the National library in 2019.

2018 Conference

The 2018 NZ Conference will return to Wellington in 2018, and will coincide happily with the annual Liburn Lecture at the National Library.

Branch publications

The delay in publishing our journal Crescendo, is being dealt with, and we hope to get Issue no 100 out in 2018, as a special commemorative edition. Keith McEwing (National Library) as editor is being assisted by Helena Besenski (Auckland University) with Roland Brownlee (Blind Foundation) continuing as publisher.

Social media activity

https://www.facebook.com/IAML-New-Zealand-192374624176200/

Advocacy and recruitment

IAML NZ has been involved in several reviews of music library services in the past year – in 2017 we submitted on the removal of a specialist music position at Christchurch City Libraries, and then in 2018 the committee has been involved with lengthy submissions to Auckland University about proposals to remove the music librarian position and to close the Music and Dance Library. We were very grateful for the help of the IAML Advocacy Committee in this process.

National copyright issues

IAML NZ has been contacted by the government to take part in a review of NZ copyright law to commence in July 2018.

RILM and RISM contributions

Elizabeth Smith remains as chair of the small RILM committee. Most of the entries are now for monographs and theses.

Phillippa McKeown-Green (President)

30 June 2018