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Submitted by Marko Niemelä – President

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- Deputy Board Member – Tiina Tolonen – University of Oulu

Board meetings held during the year

- 23.1.2024
- 12.3.2024
- 10.4.2024
- 29.10.2024
- January 23, 2024 (remote meeting)
- March 12, 2024 (remote meeting)
- April 10, 2024 (remote meeting)
- October 29, 2024 (remote meeting)

Annual branch meetings

The branch spring meeting was held online on April 29, 2024 and was attended by 13 members. The branch autumn meeting was held online on December 17, 2024 and was attended by 13 members

Branch membership figures

Total number of members: 69 (previous year 66)

Total number of individual members 24 (20)

National individual members 18 (14)

International individual members 6 (6)

Total number of institutional members 45 (46)

National institutional members 19 (20)

International institutional members 26 (26)

Branch activities

The association's spring seminar was held in Tampere Main Library Metso on April 26. There were 29 participants at the event. The programme included 4 presentations:

Former Chairpersons of the Association

Jaska Järvilehto, Tuomas Pelttari, Heikki Poroila

Working Group Updates

The working group of music school librarians, *Muska*, and *Intervalli* magazine's editor-in-chief *Tiina Tolonen* share the latest news.

Manse Rock

Teemu Ahola, Head of Collections at Vapriikki Museum, and *Juha Torvinen*, guitarist of Eppu Normaali, present the background of the exhibition.

The Dazzling Roar of Sounds

Marko Niemelä presents his doctoral dissertation on the soundscape of the Rovaniemi market 1881–1930.

Branch projects

The Muska Group (Libraries in Music Teaching Institutions)

The Muska Group continued the development of the Musiikintiedonhaku.fi website.

The group received a €600 grant from the Finnish Library Foundation, which was used to improve the visual design of the Musiikintiedonhaku.fi website in summer 2024. The site is built on the Webnode platform, which is publicly accessible but requires a paid subscription. With the help of the grant, Maria Hannelin from the company Digimuija, a specialist in the Webnode platform, was hired to design the site's layout and usability.

In autumn 2024, following the redesign, the Musiikintiedonhaku.fi website was integrated into the national Library of Open Educational Resources (aoe.fi) and can now also be accessed through the Finna.fi service.

Members of the Muska Group:

- Maaria Harviainen, University of the Arts Helsinki Library
- Heikki Kokko, Tampere Conservatoire Library
- Maarit Koskela, Metropolia University of Applied Sciences Library
- Tapani Lehtonen, JAMK University of Applied Sciences Library
- Ilkka Mikkola, Helsinki Conservatory Library
- Tiina Tolonen, University of Oulu Library
- Jaakko Tuohiniemi, University of Helsinki Library

The chairman of the association has a place in the Kirjastot.fi coordination group. Marko Niemelä (president) was unable to attend the coordination group meetings due to scheduling reasons.

IAML institutions included Ilona Heinonen (Public Libraries Service, vice chairman).

Branch publications

Two PDF issues of the branch journal *Intervalli* were published online. Editor-in-chief: Tiina Tolonen. In addition, the articles were published individually in the blog *Musiikki kuuluu kaikille*.

Administrator: Tuomas Pelttari

Two new titles were added to the branch publications series:

Heikki Poroila: Yhtenäistetty Leevi Madetoja 2024 (75 sivua). Elektroninen julkaisu.

Heikki Poroila: Pohjalainen rapsodia. Leevi Madetojan temaattis-bibliografinen teosluettelo (Honkakirja, 712 sivua).

Branch website

<https://www.musiikkikirjastot.fi/musiikkipalvelut/suomen-musiikkikirjastoyhdistys/>

Editor-in-chief: Tuomas Pelttari

Social media activity

Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn, Twitter. Administrator: Tuomas Pelttari

