

Croatia / Hrvatska

2016 REPORT

Hrvatska udruga muzičkih knjižnica, arhiva i dokumentacijskih centara (The Croatian Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres, HUMKAD or CAML), which is the Croatian National Branch of IAML still has a modest number of members: 11 individual and 5 institutional - all from music libraries. Our administration consists of President, Željka Radovinović (University of Zagreb Academy of Music Library), Secretary, Aleksandra Mežnarić Karafin (University of Zagreb Academy of Music Library) and Treasurer, Nada Bezić (Croatian Music Institute in Zagreb).

We hold an annual general assembly and four quarterly meetings. In addition, we maintain regular contact through the exchange of numerous e-mail messages throughout the year.

The Croatian Government has yet to fund our activities. All of the plans for new web-projects were shelved due to lack of finances – we have decided to postpone them until next year (funds allowing).

In the meantime, we have begun the introduction of the idea of creating a virtual exhibition on the great Croatian composer - Boris Papandopulo - his work and reception in the Croatian capital – Zagreb. During December, we opened three “material” public exhibitions in libraries spread through the town centre: at The Croatian Academy of Arts and Sciences Library, at The Municipal Library, and at The Academy of Music Library. The opening ceremonies were reported by the media and the exhibition became a part of the manifestation “Night at the Museum”, organized by the Croatian Museum Association. Members of HUMKAD agreed to store pictures of the exhibition displays in their institutional repositories, planning to link them in one joint virtual exhibition, as soon as circumstances allow. The plan is to add to the exhibition repository items from the Music Information Centre’s database of autographs, the biography and bibliography of Boris Papandopulo.

Motivated by a great public response to last years “The Night at the Library” manifestation, we once again organized an open fair at the Croatian Music Institute. This time we gave away about 1.000 items from all music libraries (members of HUMKAD). Many music-students and music-lovers went home pleased with the armfuls of scores and books on music, marked with the sign “not for sale.”

We continued to update our website on the composer and musicologist [Franjo Ksaver Kuhač](#).

Željka Radovinović attended the Annual IAML Meeting in Rome in 2016. The journey to the Italian capital city was also used for achieving a collaboration with a colleague, Tiziana Morsanuto – a librarian at The Conservatorio di Santa Cecilia, through the Erasmus+ Program. The experience of a visit to a similar institution and getting acquainted with its collections was shared with colleagues in Croatia.

Our members are active in the IAML bibliographical projects RILM and RISM, and were contributors to the IAML journal *Fontes Artis Musicae*'s column ‘Recent Publications in Music’.

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