

Association internationale des bibliothèques, archives et centres de documentation musicaux (AIBM) International Association of Music Libraries, Archives and Documentation Centres (IAML) Internationale Vereinigung der Musikbibliotheken, Musikarchive und Musikdokumentationszentren (IVMB)

# Norway, report 2013

## **Board Members**

Board members serving until 18 April 2012 were:

- Siren Steen (Bergen Off. Bibliotek), leader
- Frida Røsand (NTNU), secretary
- Randi Hansen (Tønsberg og Nøtterøy bibliotek), treasurer

Board Members:

- Ann Kunish (Deichmanske bibliotek)
- Ingrid Marie Undheim (Stavanger bibliotek)
- Stian Stakset (Trondheim folkebibliotek)
- Bjørnar Bruket (Rockheim)
- Ingrid Romarheim Haugen (Nasjonalbiblioteket)

Following the elections on 18 April, the new board is:

- Frida Røsand (NTNU), leader
- Randi Hansen (Tønsberg og Nøtterøy bibliotek), treasurer
- Ann Kunish (Deichmanske bibliotek), secretary

Board Members:

- Bjørnar Bruket (Rockheim)
- Ingrid Romarheim Haugen (Nasjonalbiblioteket)
- Signe Marie Steensland (NRK)
- Olav Nilsen (Stavanger bibliotek)

The association has 75 members, 28 of whom are individual members. The board has had four meetings during the year. The main activities of the association over the year are listed below.

#### Seminar: Analogue and Digital Presentation and Communication of Music

The seminar was held at "The 73rd Norwegian Library Meeting" in Stavanger 21-23 March. There was a panel discussion between Ann Kunish (Deichmanske bibliotek/NMBF), Sveinung Rindal (WIMP), and Arnt Maasø (Institutt for medier og kommunikasjon, UIO). Richard Gjems (Nasjonalbiblioteket) was chairman. The meeting gathered about 40 participants. Some of the themes in the discussion were:



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- By streaming based music services like WIMP and Spotify, one has easy access to large amounts of content and this has changed the way people search for music.
- What happens when we lose the metadata through streaming?
- What will the library's role in communication of music be in the future?

## **Annual Meeting**

The annual meeting was held on 18th April in connection with the course lead by IAML (UK and Ireland) discussed below. First, there was a guided tour at the Pop Centre.

## Course: Virtuoso Skills for Music Enquiries

Course leaders were Geoff Thomason and Graeme Lockheart from IAML (UK and Ireland) L. The course was held twice at the Pop Centre in Oslo. Both days were fully subscribed with 15 participants per day. The two course leaders held presentations on printed and electronic reference tools with emphasis on classical music.

#### **40th Anniversary**

The association's 40th anniversary was celebrated at Deichmanske bibliotek on 24 November 2012. Professor Jon-Roar Bjørkvold held an engaging lecture about the meaning of children songs and how important this is for our culture heritage. Ann Kunish put together an interesting and funny film with YouTube clips based on film, newspapers and TV from 1972. Siren Steen was key speaker and gave an interesting summary of the association's 40-year-long history. Kjetil Støa (tenor) and Ivar Anton Waagaard (piano) performed highlights from the tenor repertoire.

## Projects

The revision of the document *Emneord for musikkdokument i EDB-kataloger* (Keywords in Music Documents in EDB catalogues) is now finished and the revised lists are preliminary stored on the Bergen Offentlige Biblioteks server: http://bergenbibliotek.no/musikk/emneord-for-musikk. The work has been organized by Siren Steen. The annual meeting decided to grant money for continuation of the work. The first goal is to publish the subject words as open linked data. Siren Steen is NMBF's contact person for the project.

The outreach project (in collaboration with the choir conductor Per Oddvar Hildre) mentioned in last year's annual report continues.

Eline Moe Melgalvis from Norsk musikkråd (The Council for Music Organisations in Norway), visited the board 27 August and discussed possible cooperative projects .

#### **Inquiries and requests**

The board has sent several inquiries during the period:



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- A letter to the Ministry of Culture concerning changes in organization of the Norwegian music centre (MIC).
- A letter to the National Library regarding 1) the database Sangindex which was terminated 31th December 2011, and 2) the new database Biblioteksøk which does not satisfy the requirements for retrieval of data.
- A comment to the Norwegian Library Association regarding the revision of the Norwegian Library law.

#### Representation

Siren Steen participated at the IAML conference in Montreal in July, and Signe Marie Steensland participated at the Norwegian Library Association's meeting at Randsvangen in November.

#### Scholarship

The board offered 23 scholarships to members to participate at the seminar in Stavanger, the course in Oslo, and the IAML conference in Montreal.

Frida Røsand Leader, IAML (Norway)