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Conferences and Meetings

The 12th National Conference of Polish Music Librarians. took place on 4 to 6 November 2009 at the Stanisław Moniuszko Music Academy in Gdańsk, Poland. It was organised with the Sound Archives Section of the Polish Librarians Association, which had its 3rd National Conference of Sound Archives. The conference was attended by 60 participants from 31 libraries. 23 reports and papers delivered at the conference sessions fell into three main subject categories: 1) digitalization of musical documents – achievements and perspectives, 2) music sources and collections and 3) music sound archives.

The Congress was accompanied by the exhibition of the history of Music Academy Library and the remarkable carillon concert played by Monika Kaźmierczak on carillon with the Hevelius Brass Quintet.

The new Executive Board of Music Libraries Section – Polish National Branch of IAML was elected: Stanisław Hrabia as the Chair, Jolanta Byczkowska-Sztaba and Piotr Maculewicz as the vice-Chairs, and Karolina Skalska as the Secretary. Andrzej Spóz, who has been a member of the Music Libraries Section from the very beginning, became the Honorary Board Member. Other Board members are: Iwona Bias, Ewa Hauptman-Fischer, Andrzej Jazdon, Ewa Kozłowska, Anna Michalska and Magdalena Wiącek.

The 4nd Annual Working Meeting of Librarians Cataloguing Music was organized in cooperation with National Union Catalogue Centre (NUKAT) with Sound Archives Section of Polish Librarians Association. It took place in the NUKAT Centre in Warsaw on 24 to 25 May 2010. 50 music librarians form the main Polish libraries took part in this meeting. The main topic of the meeting was focused on cataloguing sound recordings. Music librarians from the Division of Sound and Audiovisual Documents of the National Library in Warsaw presented the main aspects of cataloguing sound documents giving many examples and moderating the sessions. The results of the discussion will be implemented by National Union Catalogue Centre as a new cataloguing rules and practice.

Publication

The new volume of the periodical *Biblioteka Muzyczna/Music Library* is being prepared and it will be published by the Polish Librarians Association [SBP] Edition. The volume will contain the papers form the 12th National Conference of Music Librarians in Gdańsk and bibliography of music librarianship in Poland from the year 2007 to 2009.

Polish Libraries and Music Collections in Poland



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The *Polish Libraries and Music Collections in Poland* project started in March 2009 is still on its way. The results are going to be published on the website at the end of this year. Each record will cover contact information and also characteristics of the collection or music archive. The goal of the project is to gather detailed information about all type of documents related to composers, musicians, music societies, local music life, etc.

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