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## United States, report 2008

*Board of Directors:* Judy Tsou (president 2008-2011), Mary Wallace Davidson (past president); Manuel Erviti (secretary); Carolyn Dow (treasurer); Elizabeth Davis (2007-2010) and John Shepard (2008-2011) (members-at-large); James Cassaro (IAML Board).

Elections were held early in 2008 for president, secretary, and one Member-at-Large. Judy Tsou (University of Washington) was elected president, succeeding Mary Wallace Davidson, Manuel Erviti (University of California, Berkeley) succeeded Bob Acker as secretary, and John Shepard (Rutgers University) succeeded Alan Green as the new member-at-large. The Nominating Committee was chaired by Ruth Henderson; Dan Zager and Bob Acker were the other two members of the committee.

As in the previous year, the IAML-US Branch requested and received an exhibit table gratis at the annual Music Library Association meeting in an attempt to increase visibility of IAML-US within MLA. We also held a raffle at the exhibit table for a free one-year membership in IAML-US. The winner of this year's raffle was Gerald Heroux.

This year, membership has held steady with 89 individual members and 129 institutional members. There is much work to do to increase our membership, considering that there are over 900 personal members in the Music Library Association in the United States. One initiative that we have planned is to hold a program session at the next Music Library Association Meeting to highlight some of the IAML projects. This 90-minute session will include short descriptions and demonstrations of the various projects. The conference will take place in Chicago in February.

Our webmaster and now secretary Manuel Erviti redesigned the Branch's website, <http://www.iamlus.org> (link is external), last summer and unveiled it to the public in October 2007. The governing principles for the new design were simplicity (use of fewer images and tables, for example) and increased content (addition of information about the branch and membership). Unrelated to the new design, the website moved to a new hosting service in January 2008 due to technical problems with the previous host.

As reported last year, the US Branch established a travel grant in memory of Lenore Coral. The grant is to support travel to attend IAML meetings and is open to IAML-US members, especially to those who are new conference attendees. I am pleased to announce that Steven Nordstrom, music cataloger at the Anne Potter Wilson Music Library of Vanderbilt University, is the first recipient of the Lenore Coral Travel Grant.

Our long-standing Donated Music Materials Program, single-handedly managed by Marjorie Hassen, has sent approximately 500 books and scores and 250 journal volumes to 29 libraries this year. The IAML Outreach Fund supported the shipping costs (\$700.65) for one major gift from Prof. Leeman Perkins, and IAML-US's Neil Ratliff Fund covered shipping costs (\$107.20) for two other donations. All other shipping costs were paid by the donor institutions. In this



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coming year, Marjorie will change to an exclusively electronic mail system to disseminate the donated materials list, which will save both costs and time. And lastly, Naxos Digital Services has once again extended a gratis subscription of its audio streaming database to Jagiellonian University, Krakow, through September 2008.

*Judy Tsou*

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