Music

WVC Library’s Music Subject Page :
http://commons.wvc.edu/library/Subject_Music/Home.aspx

Complementary Resources on Music:

Related print and electronic periodicals held by WVC library:

- Rollingstone—in Print
- Music Theory Online:
  http://mto.societymusictheory.org/
- Andante—Online Magazine
  http://www.andante.com/magazine/index.cfm
- Journal of Seventeenth-Century Music: online
  http://sscm-jscm.press.illinois.edu/
- New Music Box—online magazine
  http://www.newmusicbox.org/

Examples of available Print Reference and other material in the stacks
Reference:

- Dictionary of Music and Musicians
  Call # R780.3 NEW GRO
- The Encyclopedia of Popular Music
  Call # R781.6403
  From the stacks:
  - The World of Twentieth Century Music
    Call # 780.922 E94W
  - Who’s Who in Rock
    Call # 784.54 E215W
  - Musical Instruments
    Call # 781.9103

Find Books & E-Books

Click on Search all WVC books on the library’s homepage to find all books owned by WVC.
Your results will give you both electronic and print sources.

Sample keyword search terms:

- Musicians
- Music Composition
- Music History
- Acoustic Music
- Baroque Composer

One stop shopping for current information and articles utilizing the following sources:

- Academic OneFile
- CQ Researcher
- Opposing Viewpoints Resource Center
- Proquest Research Library
- Ebrary

Facts and Figures

Top Music sources from CREDO reference books:

- The Harvard Biographical Dictionary of Music
- The New Penguin Dictionary of Music
- The Faber Companion to 20th Century Popular Music
- Continuum Encyclopedia of Popular Music of the World: Performance and Production

2 Clicks to Find a Book

We have done some of the work for you! Simply select either one of the terms (Music, Composers, Music History, Popular Music, Musicians.) under Books in WVC collection. Here is a sample list of what you will find:

- Complete Book of Classical Music
  By David Ewen
- America’s Music, From the Pilgrims to the Present
  By Gilbert Chase
- Billboard Book of Number One Hits
  By Fred Bronson
- Acoustics of Music
  By Wilmer Bartholomew
Selecting Search Terms:
When selecting terms to search, you usually want to come up with a list of related terms, some that are broader and some that are narrower and more focused for those terms. For example – If I were looking for resources about how the composer Beethoven created his music:

Write out the topic of interest:
Let’s say that I was interested learning about how to how the composer Beethoven created his music. I would simplify the topic and get it down to, how Beethoven composed music. I would only be interested in the key words of the phrase, which are, in this case, all of the words in the phrase: Beethoven, compose, music. You should leave out common words like the, and, how, if, and so on. If you are having a difficult time coming up with related terms for your key-words, try using a thesaurus. You can also try typing your keywords in a Word document and using the thesaurus feature (Shift + F7).

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When typing your keywords into the search box, only enter the key terms you are searching for. For example, do not enter: Something about…

If you are still stuck, feel free to ask a librarian for help!

Controlling Your Search:
You can use the words AND, OR and NOT to help you control the material that your key word searches pull up.

Classicism OR Romanticism
This search would find documents that discuss either classicism or romanticism. OR broadens a search. OR should be used when you have very few search results, making your search more general.

Classicism AND Romanticism
This search would find documents that compare classicism and romanticism. AND narrows a search. AND should be used when you have too many search results, making your results more specific.

Classicism NOT Romanticism
This search would find documents that are only about classicism, not romanticism. NOT always leaves out records with the specified term.