Oboe Materials in the Music Library: A Selective Guide

Browsing by Call Number (Classification number)

Browsing the shelves by the appropriate “LC” call number can be an effective way to explore our printed music collections and our books about music and musical instruments. Here are some classification numbers you will want to know about.

Printed Music

M 65 – M 69  Music for solo oboe (unaccompanied)
M 245 – M 247  Music for oboe and keyboard instrument
M 288 – M 289  Duets for two wind instruments (e.g. 2 oboes; oboe & clarinet)
M 315 – M 319  Trios for two wind instruments with keyboard (e.g. trio sonatas)
M 357.2  Trios for woodwind instruments (original compositions)
M 358 – M 359  Trio arrangements for winds
M 457.2  Woodwind Quartets (any combination)
M 458 – M 459  Quartet arrangements for winds
M 557  Woodwind quintets (incl. flute, oboe, clarinet, horn, bassoon)
M 558 – M 559  Quintet arrangements for winds
M 1022  Oboe with orchestra
M 1023  Oboe with orchestra – piano reduction
M 1122  Oboe with string orchestra
M 1123  Oboe with string orchestra – piano reduction

Instruction, Study, & Teaching Materials for Woodwinds (general): MT 339

Instruction, Study, & Teaching Materials for Oboe:  MT 360 – MT 368

Books about the oboe and oboe music:  ML 940 – ML 943

Oboe Bibliographies:  ML 128 .O2

Current journal for oboe:  *The Double Reed*: ML 931 .D68
Searching the Catalogue by Subject Heading

Another good way to explore is to search the library catalogue by subject. Here are a few examples of useful subject headings for oboe music and works about the oboe.

For unaccompanied solo music:
- Oboe Music
- Sonatas (Oboe)
- Suites (Oboe)

For oboe with piano:
- Oboe and piano music
- Oboe and piano music, Arranged
- Concertos (Oboe) – Solo with piano
- Sonatas (Oboe and piano)

For ensembles including oboe:
- Oboe music (Oboes (2))
- Woodwind trios (Oboes (3))
- Woodwind trios (Clarinet, flute, oboe)
- Wind quintets (Bassoon, clarinet, flute, horn, oboe)

For materials on the study & teaching of the oboe:
- Oboe – Methods
- Oboe – Orchestral excerpts
- Oboe – Studies and exercises

For books about the oboe and its music:
- Oboe
- Oboe – Construction
- Oboe – History

Something else worth knowing about:

The music library has an extensive set of orchestral parts in a collection called *The Orchestra Musician’s CD-ROM Library*. Ask for this at the desk. The call number is M 1000 .O65. The Oboe and English horn parts are in Pt. 2 of each volume.

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