Trumpet 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 85 – M 89  Music for solo trumpet (or cornet) (unaccompanied)
M 260 – M 261  Music for trumpet (cornet) and keyboard instrument
M 288 – M 289  Duets for two wind instruments (e.g. 2 trumpets; trumpet & horn)
M 357.4  Trios for brass instruments (original compositions)
M 358 – M 359  Trio arrangements for winds
M 457.4  Brass Quartets (any combination)
M 458 – M 459  Quartet arrangements for winds
M 557.4  Brass Quintets
M 558 – M 559  Quintet arrangements for winds
M 1030  Trumpet (Cornet) with orchestra
M 1031  Trumpet with orchestra – piano reduction
M 1131  Trumpet with string orchestra – piano reduction
M 1206  Solo instrument with band – piano reduction

Instruction, Study, & Teaching Materials for Brass (general):  MT 418

Instruction, Study, & Teaching Materials for Trumpet:  MT 440 – MT 448

Books about the Trumpet:  ML 960 – ML 963

Trumpet Bibliographies:  ML 128 .T78 (try the Reference shelves first!)

Current journal for trumpet:  ITG Journal (International Trumpet Guild): ML 1 .I87
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 trumpet music and works about the trumpet. Note that you can also substitute “cornet” for “trumpet” in many of these headings.

For unaccompanied solo music:

- Trumpet Music
- Sonatas (Trumpet)
- Suites (Trumpet)

For trumpet with piano:

- Trumpet and piano music
- Trumpet and piano music, Arranged
- Trumpet with band – Solo with piano
- Concertos (Trumpet) – Solo with piano
- Sonatas (Trumpet and piano)

For ensembles including trumpet:

- Trumpet music (Trumpets (2))
- Brass trios (Trumpets (3))
- Brass trios (Horn, trombone, trumpet)
- Brass quintets (Horn, trombone, trumpets (2), tuba)

For materials on the study & teaching of the trumpet:

- Trumpet – Methods
- Trumpet – Orchestral excerpts
- Trumpet – Studies and exercises

For books about the trumpet and its music:

- Trumpet
- Trumpet music – Bibliography

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 trumpet parts are in Pt. 6 of each volume.