Chamber Music for Brass Reference Guide

This guide is designed to help you find information about, and music for ensembles that include brass instruments. Use this as a starting point or browsing tool. As always, consult library catalogs for complete holdings information, and when uncertain, ask for help at the desk! Related reference guides include Horn, Trombone, Trumpet and Tuba, as well as Performing Arts Careers and other Chamber Music guides for Piano, Strings and Winds.

Call Numbers for Shelf Browsing

Below are general call number ranges. More about call numbers @ http://goo.gl/2R556.

M177-179 Misc. collections of chamber music
M255-265 [horn, trumpet, etc.] with piano accompaniment
M288-289 duets -- two wind instruments
M290-291 duets -- wind and string instruments
M315-319 two winds and piano
M355-359 wind trios
M357.4 brass trios
M415-419 three winds and piano
M455-459 wind quartets
M457.4 brass quartets
M515-519 four winds and piano
M555-559 wind quintets
M557.4 brass quintets
M615-619 five winds and piano
M655-659 wind sextets
M657.4 brass sextets
M715-719 six winds and piano
M755-759 wind septets
M757.4 brass septets
M815-819 seven winds and piano
M855-859 wind octets
M857.4 brass octets
M915-919 eight winds and piano
M955-959 wind nonets
M957.4 brass nonets

Subject Headings for Searching Library Catalogs

To find material on a specific topic, type in one of these subject headings to get a list of relevant titles. Access KentLINK subject heading search @ http://kentlink.kent.edu/search/d.

Brass trios
Wind trios
Trios
Brass quartets
Wind quartets
Quartets
Brass quintets
Wind quintets
Quintets
Brass sextets
Wind sextets
Sextets
Brass septets
Wind septets
Septets
Brass octets
Wind octets
Octets
Brass nonets
Wind nonets
Nonets
Chamber music

Note: Use “wind” for a combination of brass and woodwind instruments, including the standard “wind quintet” combination of bassoon, clarinet, flute, horn, and oboe; use “brass” when no woodwind instruments are employed.

KentLINK Musical Instrumentation Search

Access this resource @ http://goo.gl/PsG6e

Find scores for specific instrument combinations (i.e. trumpet, trombone & horn; trumpet & piano; 2 trombones). The KentLINK Musical Instrumentation Search Reference Guide provides an overview of basic tips and search strategies.
Selected Print Titles (listed alphabetically)

**Brass Music Guide: Ensemble Music in Print**
List of works by instrumentation and composer.
ML128.W5 A57 1987

**Chamber Music: A Research and Information Guide**
List of sources about chamber music, covering basic reference sources, history of chamber music, analytic studies, performance practice, performers, and more.
Ref. ML128.C4 B37 2010

**Guide to Chamber Music**
List of 231 most frequently performed chamber music works representing 55 composers, with descriptions.
ML1100.B45 1985

**History and Literature of the Wind Band and Wind Ensemble**
Study of wind band and wind ensemble development and list of works from pre-1500 through classical literature.
ML1300.W56 1982, v. 1-8

**The Literature of Chamber Music**
List of works for 2-9 players of any instrumentation, arranged alphabetically by composer and then number of players.
Ref. ML1100.C63x 1997 v. 1-4

**New Grove Dictionary of Music & Musicians**
Contains articles on the horn, trumpet, trombone and tuba, as well as composers, forms, genres & time periods.
ML100 .N48 2001 (Ref. & Circulating)

**Trombone Chamber Music: An Annotated Bibliography**
List of works for up to 8 instruments, with trombone as the only brass instrument. Includes unusual instrumentations and unconventional techniques, as well as skill levels.
ML128.T76 A7 1983

**Twentieth Century Brass Musical Instruments in the United States**
Visual guide to the history and characteristics of brass instruments. Searchable by instrument type, components, or manufacturers/distributors.
ML933.D865 1989

**Woodwind, Brass, and Percussion Instruments of the Orchestra**
List of books, articles, and dissertations, covering historical discussions on everything from instruments to performance. Also includes a discussion of new techniques developed in contemporary music.
ML128.W5 S6 1985

**Note:** Reference titles (“Ref.”) are non-circulating and are located in the Performing Arts Library Reading Room.

Journal (listed alphabetically)

- Brass Bulletin
- Chamber Music
- Instrumentalist
- International Musician

Electronic Research Databases

Use this link for the following online music databases: [http://goo.gl/SKDPR](http://goo.gl/SKDPR)
- Find Articles - JSTOR, Music Index Online, and RILM Abstracts of Music Literature
- Encyclopedias & Dictionaries - Oxford Music Online (New Grove Dictionary of Music and Musicians)
- Online Listening - Classical Music Library, Contemporary World Music, Naxos Music Library, Smithsonian Global Sound

Internet Resources (All links below are live @ [http://goo.gl/8Sdto](http://goo.gl/8Sdto))

- Chamber Music America: [http://www.chamber-music.org](http://www.chamber-music.org)
- Chamber Musician Today: [http://www.chambermusiciantoday.com](http://www.chambermusiciantoday.com)
- FindChamberMusic Database: [http://www.findchambermusic.com](http://www.findchambermusic.com)
- The American Brass Chamber Music Association: [http://www.americanbrassquintet.org/ABCMA.html](http://www.americanbrassquintet.org/ABCMA.html)
- The Chamber Music Network: [http://www.acmp.net](http://www.acmp.net)