

INTERNATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MUSIC LIBRARIES, ARCHIVES, AND
DOCUMENTATION CENTRES (IAML)—United States Branch
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Annual Report to the Membership, 2008

Board of Directors:

President: Mary Wallace Davidson (to Feb), Judy Tsou (from Feb); Past President: Jane Gottlieb (to Feb), Mary Wallace Davidson (from Feb); Secretary: Robert Acker (to Feb), Manuel Erviti (from Feb); Treasurer: Carolyn Dow (Feb to Sep), Michael Colby, (from Sep); Web Manager: Manuel Erviti; Members at Large: Elizabeth Davis, Alan A. Green (to Feb), John Shepard (from Feb); *Ex officio*: James P. Cassaro (IAML Vice-President).

The Board met twice, in Newport in February and in Naples, Italy in July. Discussions focused on IAML-US's finances and increasing visibility of IAML-US.

Dues Increase: For years, IAML-US has been extremely prudent in its expenditures in order to avoid a dues increase. This was also made possible, in part, by the strong dollar. In 2008, the dollar plummeted in value to the lowest in decades. Although the dollar has recovered some since, the dues renewal occurred at a time when the dollar was at its lowest; as a result, IAML-US is operating at a deficit in the current year. The Board, therefore, unanimously voted to increase the 2009 dues to \$68 for personal members and \$100 for institutional members, partly to mitigate the losses and, more importantly, to ensure that we have enough money to cover our dues (in Euros) to the main IAML.

Lenore Coral Travel Grant: The first Lenore Coral Travel Grant was awarded to Steven Nordstrom (formerly of Vanderbilt University) to assist travel to the IAML annual conference in Naples. The members of the 2009 Coral Travel Fund Committee are Paula Matthews (chair) and Bonna Boettcher. The Board also discussed the future funding of Coral grants, and a committee has been appointed (Geraldine Ostrove, Linda Solow Blotner, and James P. Cassaro) to explore fundraising possibilities.

By-laws Revisions: A committee (Mary Wallace Davidson, chair, Geraldine Ostrove, and Linda Solow Blotner) has been appointed to update the US-Branch's by-laws, including examining the length of term for the past-president and including a new officer, president-elect. The by-laws will be ready for discussions at the next annual business meeting.

The **Next Annual Business Meeting** will be held on Friday, February 20, 3:30-5:00 pm, in Chicago, and a memorial tea reception in honor of Suki Sommer will be held at the end of the meeting, thanks to the generosity and support of the Wicker Foundation. This reception will also serve as an informational meeting for potential new members. The minutes of the Newport meeting will be distributed and approved at that time.

In another effort to **increase visibility**, former board members Barbara Dobbs Mackenzie and Jane Gottlieb submitted a proposal to MLA for a 90-minute session on the various projects sponsored by IAML at the MLA meeting in Chicago. The proposal has been accepted, and the session will be held on Saturday, February 21, 10:30am -12:00pm.

Membership – There is a slight increase in membership from 2007 with 137 institutional and 96 personal members as of November 13, 2008.

The **Donated Materials Program** continues under the able leadership of Marjorie Hassen. Naxos Digital extended its provision of access to the music library of the Jagiellonian University in Krakow through December 2008.

Election: There was no election in 2008.

Future IAML Meetings: Our next IAML meeting will be held in Amsterdam (Netherlands) on July 5-10, 2009 (<http://www.iamlconference2009.nl/>). There will be information at the MLA exhibit table in Chicago. In addition, Martie Severt, the current president of IAML and a member of the Dutch Branch, will be in Chicago as well. Other future meetings are as follows (see also <http://www.iaml.info/activities/conferences/>):

2010 Moscow, Russia

2011 Dublin, Ireland, July 24-29

2012 Montreal, Canada

2013 Arhus, Denmark

2014 Vienna, Austria

2015 New York, USA

Respectfully submitted,

Judy Tsou, *President*

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