♫ Introduction ♫

This guide is designed to help you locate bassoon music and information about the bassoon. Click on a topic below.

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♫ Printed Music ♫

How do I find bassoon music?

If you have a specific piece in mind, you can search by title, author (person/organization/composer), or both in the online catalog. Below are general call number ranges for bassoon music.

*Some of the recommended call numbers below contain music that does not include bassoon. For example, M298 is a duet between a wind instrument and percussion. The wind instrument may be bassoon or another wind instrument.

Suggested Call Numbers for Bassoon Music

M75 – M79  bassoon alone
M75  miscellaneous collections
M76 – M77  original compositions
M78 – M79  arrangements

M253 – M254  bassoon with piano accompaniment
M288 – M289 duets – wind instrument with another wind instrument*
M290 – M291 duets – wind instrument with a string instrument*
M296 – M297 duets – wind instrument with guitar, harp*
M298 duets – wind instrument with percussion*

M317 trios – 2 wind instruments with piano*
M322 trios – 2 wind or string instruments with piano*
M357 trios – 3 wind instruments*
M357.2 trios – 3 woodwind instruments*

M417 quartets – 3 wind instruments with piano*
M422 quartets – 3 wind or string instruments with piano*
M457 quartets – 4 wind instruments*
M457.2 quartets – 4 woodwind instruments*

M517 quintets – 4 wind instruments with piano*
M522 quintets – 4 wind or string instruments with piano*
M557 quintets – 5 wind instruments*
M557.2 quintets – 5 woodwind instruments*
M562 quintets – wind instrument with string quartet*

M617 sextets – 5 wind instruments with piano*
M622 sextets – 5 wind or string instruments with piano*
M657 sextets – 6 wind instruments*
M657.2 sextets – 6 woodwind instruments*

M717 septets – 6 wind instruments with piano*
M722 septets – 6 wind or string instruments with piano*
M757 septets – 7 wind instruments*
M757.2 septets – 7 woodwind instruments*

M817 octets – 7 wind instruments with piano*
M822 octets – 7 wind or string instruments with piano*
M857 octets – 8 wind instruments*
M857.2 octets – 8 woodwind instruments*

M917 nonets – 8 wind instruments with piano*
M922 nonets – 8 wind or string instruments with piano*
M957 nonets – 9 wind instruments*
M957.2 nonets – 9 woodwind instruments*

M1026 concertos with orchestra
M1027 concertos with orchestra (arranged)
M1126 concertos with string orchestra
M1127 concertos with string orchestra (arranged)
M1470 ensembles of wind instruments*
♫ Online Music Scores ♫

How can I find online music scores for the bassoon?

A number of online music resources are available for free download and printing. Click below for a listing of resources.

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♫ Books ♫

How can I find books about the bassoon?

You can search by title, author, or both in the online catalog. Below are general call number ranges for information about the bassoon.

Suggested Call Numbers for Books about the Bassoon

ML128.B26   bibliographies of bassoon music
ML931        general books on woodwind instruments
ML950 – ML954  history of the bassoon
MT400 – MT408  studies and methods for bassoon
MT406        orchestral excerpts

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♫ Databases ♫

What music databases are available for research?

Hardin-Simmons offers the following music resources:

- **JSTOR**
  Full text journal articles.

- **Oxford Music Online**

- **Music Index**
  Citations for journal articles and dissertations.

- **RILM Abstracts of Music Literature**
  Citations and abstracts for journal articles, dissertations, and books.

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How can I find periodicals or journals about the bassoon or bassoon music?

The following are a few recommended journals available through the Smith Music Library.

**Chamber Music**
- 2000-present, available in bound volumes

**Early Music**
- 1973-1999, available through the JSTOR database
- 1998-2008, available as microfilm

**The Galpin Society**
- 1948-ca. 6 years behind present year, available through the JSTOR database

**The Instrumentalist**

**International Musician**
- 1989-2000, available as microfilm
- 2008-present, available in bound volumes

**Woodwind World-Brass & Percussion**

How do I find periodical and journal articles about the bassoon or bassoon music?

The following electronic resources can assist you in finding periodical and journal articles.

- **JSTOR**
  - Full text articles.

- **Music Index**
  - Citations for articles and dissertations.

- **RILM Abstracts of Music Literature**
  - Citations and abstracts for journal articles, dissertations, and books.

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How can I find dissertations about the bassoon or bassoon music?

The following electronic resources can assist you in finding dissertations.

- **Comprehensive Dissertation Index: 1861-1972**

- **Music Index**
  Citations for articles and dissertations.

- **RILM Abstracts of Music Literature**
  Citations and abstracts for journal articles, dissertations, and books.

- **WorldCat Dissertations**
  Citations for dissertations.

How can I find recordings, videos, and DVDs of bassoon music?

Search for "bassoon" as a subject in the online catalog. You can limit your search by library, format, location, etc. A few commonly used limits are:

library = Hardin-Simmons University Smith Music Library
format = Score
format = Sound Recording
format = Video Material

Also, substitute other terms for "bassoon," such as "musical instruments" or "woodwind." The results will be of a more general subject, but may include bassoon.
What are some useful subject headings to help locate materials relating to the bassoon?

Search the online catalog for materials related to the subjects below:

Subject Headings for Books about the Bassoon and Bassoon Music

bassoon – history
bassoon – instruction and study
bassoon – methods
bassoon music – bibliography

Subject Headings for Scores, Recordings, and Videorecordings of Bassoon Music

bassoon music

bassoon and [clarinet, flute, etc.] music
  (browse subject = bassoon and)
bassoon with [instrumental ensemble, orchestra, etc.]
  (browse subject = bassoon with)
bassoon, clarinet, flute, horn, oboe with string orchestra
  (try other instrumental combinations)

concertos (bassoon)
rondos (bassoon)
sonatas (bassoon)
suites (bassoon)
variations (bassoon)

bassoon – studies and exercises
bassoon – instruction and study
bassoon – methods

woodwind instruments

woodwind trios; wind trios; trios
woodwind quartets; wind quartets; quartets
woodwind quintets; wind quintets; quintets
woodwind sextets; wind sextets; sextets
woodwind septets; wind septets; septets
wind octets; octets
nonets
How can I find books published about the bassoon? How can I find music published for bassoon? The following are a few recommended books available to Hardin-Simmons students.

_A♥♥ An Annotated Bibliography of Woodwind Instruction Books, 1600-1830 –_ Detroit: Information Coordinators, 1967. Call Number (Hardin-Simmons University, Ref. ML128.W5 W4)

Dated. Annotated bibliography of woodwind instruction books. The index on p. 133 will lead you to 37 instruction books for the bassoon.


Beginning on p. 65, bibliographies of 10 books and 28 journal articles, an annotated bibliography of 14 methods and teaching material, a classified bibliography by grades and instrumentation of 200 scores, and a discography of LP recordings.


Dated. Appendix III on p. 194 offers a bibliography of approximately 900 works classified into the following sections: (1) bassoon alone, (2) bassoon and keyboard, (3) bassoon and orchestra, (4) concertos for bassoon with other solo instruments and orchestra, and (5) chamber music for bassoon and strings. Lengthy discography of bassoonist performances.

_Bassoon Technique –_ by Archie Camden. London: Oxford University Press, 1962. Call Number (Hardin-Simmons University, MT400 .C3)

Dated. The appendix, beginning on p. 53, provides a listing of approximately 500 works for bassoon organized into the following classifications: (1) bassoon and orchestra, (2) solo instruments and orchestra, (3) bassoon and piano, (4) bassoons only, (5) chamber music for bassoon and strings, and (6) miscellaneous chamber music.

_The Index of Bassoon Music: Including the Index of Baroque Trio Sonatas –_ by Wayne Wilkins. Magnolia, Ark.: Music Register, 1976. Call Number (Abilene Christian University, Ref. 780.016 W685I)

Bibliography of more than 4,000 works for bassoon in the following categories: (1) bassoon methods, (2) bassoon studies, (3) bassoon solos (unaccompanied), (4) duets, (5) trios, (6) quartets, (7) quintets, (8) woodwind quintets, (9) sextets, (10) septets, (11) octets, (12) nonets, (13) ten or more instruments, (14) bassoon and piano, (15) bassoon and guitar, (16) flute, bassoon & piano, (17) quartets with piano, (18) quintets with piano, (19) woodwind quintet and piano, (20) six and more with...
piano, (21) books of interest, (22) vocal pieces, (23) bassoon and band, (25) bassoon and orchestra. Includes an index to baroque trio sonatas.


3 volume dictionary/encyclopedia of musical instruments. The entry on "bassoon" is approximately 15 pages and is divided into the following sections: (1) Construction, (2) The Reed, (3) Historical Predecessors, (4) The Early Bassoon (to 1800), (5) Development of the Modern Bassoon, (6) Repertory and Use, (7) Performers and Teachers, (8) The Double Bassoon, and (9) Small Bassoons. Photos and illustrations. Bibliography of approximately 45 books and articles.


Provides information about the Paris Conservatoire and offers an annotated bibliography of approximately 70 commissioned contest solos from 1824 to 1984. Index of bassoonists, composers, and directors.

**The Reed Trio: An Annotated Bibliography of Original Published Works** – by James E. Gillespie, Jr. Detroit: Information Coordinators, 1971. Call Number (Hardin-Simmons University, Ref. ML128.W5 G54)

An annotated bibliography of nearly 200 works for reed trio (oboe, clarinet, and bassoon).


Contains a bibliography of woodwind ensemble and chamber music.

What are some internet Websites related to the bassoon?

The following are only a few recommended Web sites:

- **Arias with Obbligato Bassoon**
  Listing of about 500 arias with obbligato bassoon from circa 1690-1850.
- **Bassoon.com**
  Bulletin board related to the bassoon.

- **Bassoon.org**
  Provides links related to reeds and tools, repair shops, orchestra and band, performers and teachers, festivals and master classes, sheet music, books and articles, and other topics.

- **British Double Reed Society**
  Forum related to the bassoon. Publishes *Double Reed News*.

- **Bruce Hammel's Bassoon Page**
  Information about reeds, practice techniques, and educational resources, along with MIDI files, links, music lists, and news related to the bassoon.

- **Eble Music**
  Publisher of bassoon music and music for other instruments.

- **Hickey's Music Online**
  Publisher of bassoon music and music for other instruments.

- **International Double Reed Society**
  The official website of the International Double Reed Society, the world-wide organization of double reed (oboe and bassoon family) players, instrument manufacturers and enthusiasts.

- **Midwest Double Reed Society**
  The society covers the areas of the states of Arkansas, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, Oklahoma, and Iowa. Offers links related to the bassoon. Home of the publication *The Double Reed Times*.

- **The Orchestra: A User's Manual: Bassoon**
  Information about bassoon construction, range, articulations, effects, extended techniques, player's tips and tricks, and links to bassoon-related sites.

- **TrevCo-Varner Music**
  Publisher of music for double reeds.

- **The Woodwind Fingering Guide: Bassoon Fingering Chart**
  Basic, alternate, trill, harmonic, pianissimo, tremolo, microtone, and multiphonic, fingerings for bassoon, contrabassoon, ophicleide, and sarrusophone.