Publishing in MLA's Index and Bibliography series





What does one DO as the editor in an MLA series?

- Recruitment
- Idea development
- Project development
- -No "editing" as I imagine it to be



Where would I begin? Where do I get an idea?

- 1. Look at published titles in the series
- 2. Ideas born of your research
- 3. Ideas stemming from your presentations
- 4. Ideas spawned by dissertations
- 5. Suggested topics





Published titles in the series

- Music inspired by art: a guide to recordings / Evans, Gary 2002
- Opera performances in video format : a checklist of commercially released recordings / Croissant, Charles R. 1991
- A checklist of music bibliographies and indexes in progress and unpublished, 4th ed. / comp. by Dee Bailey 1982
- Popular secular music in America through 1800 : a preliminary checklist of manuscripts in North American collections / Keller, Kate Van Winkle 1981
- Literature for voices in combination with electronic and tape music: an annotated bibliography / Edwards, J. Michele 1977



Take an existing title and expand it

- A checklist of music bibliographies and indexes in progress and unpublished, 4th ed. / comp. by Dee Bailey 1982
- Analyses of nineteenth and twentieth-century music, 1940-2000 / Hoek,
 D. J. 2007
 - Analyses of nineteenth- and twentieth century music, 1940-1985 / Wenk, Arthur
 1987
- Writings on contemporary music notation : an annotated bibliography / Warfield, Gerald 1976
- An annotated bibliography of writings about music in Puerto Rico / Thompson, Annie Figueroa 1974



Ideas born of your research / presentations

- Metaldata: a bibliography of heavy metal resources / Archer-Capuzzo, Sonia, compiler. 2021
- Eugene Bozza: a thematic index / Kuyper-Rushing, Lois 2020
- The Life and music of Teresa Carreño (1853–1917): a guide to research / Anna Kijas 2019
- Spirituals: a multidisciplinary bibliography for research and performance / Abromeit, Kathleen A. 2015
- Writings on contemporary music notation : an annotated bibliography / Warfield, Gerald 1976



Ideas spawned by dissertations

- A Catalogue of Choral Music for the Liturgical Year
- Memories of Home: Taiwanese Solo Piano Music of the 20th
 Century
- A Survey of American Solo Piano Ballades Since 1950
- The Solo Organ Music of Sr. Theophane Hytrek
- An Annotated Bibliography of Peruvian Oboe Music



Do YOU want to be an author?

- -Do you have an idea you find interesting?
- -Can you imagine a guide to research (index) or a complete list of something musical (bibliography)?
- -I'd love to talk to you about your ideas
- -Be brave! It will change your life, I promise!



Final word of encouragement

With the Index & Bibliography series, authors have room to be thorough and opportunities to be creative! That should be encouraging to potential authors.

