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Music Listening Room Mission Statement

The Music Listening Room exists to support the educational mission of Sam Houston State University. It fulfills this mission by serving as a resource for all SHSU faculty and students who wish to make use of the phonographs, compact disks, DVD disks, and videotapes that comprise the collection.

Location and Hours of Operation

The Music Listening Room is located on the 1st floor of the Newton Gresham Library in room 121 and is accessible via elevator. The hours of operation, during regular Fall and Spring Terms, are listed below:

Operating Hours:

Monday thru Thursday from 8:30 am to 11:00 pm
 Friday from 8:30 am to 6:00 pm
 Saturday from 1:00 pm to 7:00 pm
 Sunday from 2:00 pm to 11:00 pm

Under special circumstances, additional access to the Music Listening Room may be made available by scheduling an appointment with the Music Librarian at 936-294-4800 or by contacting the Circulation Desk at 936-294-1618. Appointments must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Under no circumstances will students be allowed access to the Music Listening Room outside of scheduled operating hours without an appointment or without supervision.

Useful Internet Sites:

[Classical Music Resources](#)
[Operabase](#)
[Worldwide Internet Music Resources](#)
[Citing Music Sources in your Essay and Bibliography](#)

Finding Music Materials in the Online Catalog:

The online catalog at SHSU offers several ways to search for music materials. If you are looking at broad topics, you may want to do a subject search. Some of the subject terms that you may search include:

Music theory
Music therapy
Choral music
Folk music
Sacred music
Popular music

Combining search terms using the "AND" operator, will allow you to search for items such as "sacred AND choral music."

When looking for recordings, you may search the catalog by title or author (composer). You can combine keywords to narrow your search. For example, if you want to find recordings of the Beethoven Violin Concerto you could combine the search terms "Beethoven" and "Concerto" as the keyword search "Beethoven AND Concerto." You may also limit your search by type of material by selecting "music recording" or "musical score."

If there are any questions, you can contact [Bruce Hall](#) (the head of the department) at (936) 294-4800 or e-mail him at the provided link.