What it is! Music Genre/Form and Medium of Performance Terms in the Future of Music “Subject” Access
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Genre/Form Projects
Coding for genre/form terms in bibliographic records (in LCGFT so far: terms for moving images and radio programs, cartographic, and law materials):
- 655 #7 [Term]. $2 lcgt

Medium of Performance Status
Field 382
- MARBI proposal at ALA Midwinter was approved; the 382 field will be expanded to add new elements, including the number of performers and a designation of soloist.

How to Use Music Vocabulary Now
The same as always!
- Until music genre/form terms are in LCGFT and the medium of performance thesaurus is available, continue to construct music subject headings in 650s.

Implementing Genre and Medium Terms in Library Systems
Indexing
- The genre/form (655) and medium of performance (382) fields should be included in any index where genre and medium terms will be used to retrieve results.

Search interfaces
- Determine if your institution includes a genre search in the public catalog.

What to do now
- Communicate to other technical service and systems librarians at your institution how important genre and medium access is for music.

Genre Sites and Contact Information
LC site for music genre/form and medium
- http://www.loc.gov/catdir/cpso/genremusic.html

BCC Genre/Form/Medium project public wiki
- http://musicgenrepublicforum.pbworks.com/w/page/21942009/FrontPage

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