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Summary

The New York Public Library respectfully submits this proposal to The Andrew W. Mellon Foundation requesting a grant of $150,000 for a one-year planning project that focuses on archiving electronic journals in the performing arts and related studies. This planning activity will lead to the formulation of a fully developed, four-year project that will establish secure repositories of archived electronic journals, ensuring the long-term availability of important national and international resources.

The New York Public Library is in an ideal position to take on the responsibility for coordinating these efforts, having earned a wide reputation for leadership in performing arts librarianship, in the preservation of library materials, and in the application of digital technology.

The Library’s collections in the performing arts are broadly recognized as among the largest anywhere. One of the Library’s four major research centers, The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts is located within Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts and houses the world’s most extensive combination of circulating, reference, and rare archival collections in its field.

The New York Public Library has maintained a long and distinguished tradition of working to ensure the preservation of all its collections. It hosts one of the largest library preservation programs in the country, one of the first such programs established, and works actively along with other leading institutions on addressing key issues of library preservation.

The Library has shown leadership in the application of digital technology through a highly sophisticated Digital Library Program now in development that will make hundreds of thousands of materials from its research collections available on the Internet. As part of this program, the Library has given special attention to the establishment of systems, policies, and procedures for archiving information in electronic form.
In the proposed planning project, the Library and project staff will elicit the participation of electronic journal publishers and develop agreements regarding archival rights and responsibilities that will serve as the basis for the development of electronic archives. Activities will include all those identified in the Foundation’s letter of invitation to participate in the Mellon Electronic Journal Archiving Program: the development of a technical implementation plan for the archive, an acquisitions and growth plan, an organizational model and staffing requirements, access policies, and long-term funding options. Special attention will be given to the development of methodologies that the archive would use to validate the archival processes and assure the user communities that the journals for which the archive is responsible will be accessible and readable into the future.

The New York Public Library and its research collections

Because of the extraordinary size and importance of its collections, the diverse services it offers to a broad public, and its long record of leadership within the community of libraries and scholarly institutions, The New York Public Library is regarded in practice if not designated in name, as a national institution. Founded in 1895, The New York Public Library is the only public library in the United States to offer an extensive system of 85 neighborhood circulating branch libraries—one of the largest in the nation—as well as research collections that approach the size and significance of the great national libraries of the world. Today, the Library’s research collections contain over 42 million items, in over 3,000 languages and dialects, preserving the essential records of every generation and answering the research needs of two million onsite visitors every year and many more who use the Library’s resources remotely, including millions who connect with the Library online through the Internet.

The research collections include the great primary works and important secondary literature documenting the breadth of human experience, and they serve as one of the most extensive publicly accessible resources for information and knowledge anywhere. For a vast range of subjects, investigation of the Library’s collections is essential in order for a research project to be considered complete, since an abundant amount of material in many subjects is found within the Library’s collections and
nowhere else. The research collections are contained within four centers that comprise The Research Libraries of The New York Public Library:

- The Humanities and Social Sciences Library, in the landmark building at Fifth Avenue and 42\textsuperscript{nd} Street;
- The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts, at Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts;
- The Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture, at Malcolm X Boulevard and 135\textsuperscript{th} Street; and
- The Science, Industry and Business Library at Madison Avenue and 34\textsuperscript{th} Street.

Each one of the centers of The Research Libraries holds extensive collections in its designated or assigned disciplines. The collections span an extraordinary breadth in subject matter and formats of material and extend to an equally extraordinary depth of coverage. They include countless examples of unique and rare items that sit at the very core of scholarship. Among these are 700 cuneiform tablets; 160 medieval and Renaissance illuminated manuscripts; Christopher Columbus’s letter announcing the discovery of the New World; photographs and plate books from the personal and palace libraries of the Russian Imperial Family; the first wax cylinder sound recordings made at the Metropolitan Opera; and the personal papers of Charles Dickens, Walt Whitman, Percy Bysshe Shelley, Langston Hughes, and virtually every notable figure in English and American literature.
Built upon collections dating from The New York Public Library’s beginnings in the 19th century, the Library for the Performing Arts was established as a separate research center in 1965, when Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts was built. It has steadily continued a tradition of adding current materials in published form as well as major collections of personal papers and archives. Recent additions include the New York Shakespeare Festival archives and the personal collections of John Cage, Lillian Gish, and Jerome Robbins. It also has an active program of documenting on videotape live performances, especially for theatre and dance. In all, the performing arts collections include more than 8 million items, covering nearly every aspect of the performing arts, from Greek tragedy to Renaissance dance to contemporary pop music. The Library for the Performing Arts serves a broad constituency of hundreds of thousands of annual users—dancers, musicians, actors, playwrights, conductors, choreographers, stage directors, critics, historians, teachers, students, and people from all walks of life. An unparalleled resource for information about the field and an inspiration for the creation of new works, the Library for the Performing Arts is a vital center for all who wish to study and increase their appreciation of music, theatre, film, recorded sound, and dance.

Increasingly, all of the major centers of The Research Libraries have been expanding their collections with materials in digital form. This includes audio and video recordings in commercial digital formats, as well as electronic periodical indexes, full-text electronic resources and other information databases, a great many of which are made available on the Library’s website. The New York Public Library is also using digital technology as a tool to expand access to its own research collections worldwide, making available on the Internet digital reproductions of great treasures and other valuable materials from the collections. With the increasing production of information in electronic form, major research institutions such as The New York Public Library have the added responsibility of working together with electronic publishers to ensure that resources in this form will be available for future generations.
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The Library’s proposed project will result in the development of a detailed plan which will lead to the establishment of secure repositories of archived electronic journals, ensuring the long-term availability of important national and international resources. The plan would be carried out through a four-year implementation phase. During the proposed planning project, the Library will identify the publishers of electronic journals in the performing arts and related studies and begin working with them on a set of specific agreements covering respective rights and responsibilities of both parties in pursuing this venture. The subject focus of the project will encompass a range of electronic journals in the humanities, primarily centered on the performing arts, but will also include related academic disciplines such as media studies, literary criticism, and historical and social studies. These fields will offer a number of interesting opportunities for exploring digital archiving issues.

The New York Public Library is ideally positioned to take on the responsibility for coordinating these efforts, having earned a wide reputation for leadership in performing arts librarianship, in the preservation of library materials, and in the application of digital technology.

The Library’s performing arts collections, largely contained within The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts, are among the most extensive in the world. Existing collection policy on printed journals ensures that the Library already collects extensively in both North American and overseas journal literature across the disciplines and media of the performing arts: dance, music, and theatre, and recorded sound, film and television. In addition, the Library provides subject pathfinders to Internet-based materials in the performing arts field from its web site, leading researchers to a myriad of electronic resources, including substantial numbers of e-journals of various kinds. The development of an archive facility at The New York Public Library for such journals is a natural extension of both these activities, enabling the proven informational and curatorial skills of Library staff to be deployed in this new and developing area of research provision.
It is especially appropriate for the Library to take on a leadership role in archiving electronic performing arts resources, given the Library’s extraordinary holdings of non-print materials, its wide coverage of popular culture, and its pro-active work in documenting all aspects of the performing arts.

The New York Public Library has from its very beginnings placed a high priority on ensuring the long-term preservation of all its collections, establishing one of the first preservation programs in a research library. Today, the Library hosts one of the nation’s largest such programs and works actively together with other leading institutions on addressing important issues related to the preservation of library materials.

The Library has also shown strong leadership in the application of digital technology, through a highly sophisticated Digital Library Program now in development that will make hundreds of thousands of materials from its research collections available on the Internet. As part of this program, the Library has given special attention to the establishment of systems, policies, and procedures for archiving information in electronic form. (Background information on the digital program appears on page 12.)

The Library keeps abreast of the activity of the full range of publishers in the performing arts and related studies, from established companies with both electronic and print journals to small groups of researchers or individual scholars working alone establishing potentially fugitive websites.

A list of e-journals under consideration for inclusion in the project is included as Attachment B. The list includes peer-reviewed journals and magazines from more popular sources. It contains those born digital, those published in both print and electronic forms, and those published as an online supplement to print titles. It reflects the particular nature of electronic journal material in the performing arts:

- the publishers are very often small entities rather than well-established, major commercial outlets;
- the material is delivered to users in a variety of electronic formats and often makes great use of embedded multimedia functions (such as digital sound and video) as exemplars;
extensive use is made of hypertextuality, in particular links to other pages and presences elsewhere on the World Wide Web; and

the instant nature of much of the activity in the performing arts places a much higher premium, for future research purposes, on what might be described as ephemera, and a number of titles in the list fall into that category.

Archiving e-journals in the performing arts will need to address certain challenges in building usable collections for future researchers, including:

- the organizational and legal challenge of dealing with a number of smaller entities and individuals, many of whom are outside the mainstream publishing world;
- the technological challenge of handling embedded multimedia, prefiguring an outcome which is not yet fully developed amongst more traditional publications in electronic form; and
- the hypertextual challenge of examining the feasibility of, and solutions to, the maintenance of persistent links to other web presences within an archive environment.

These challenges together will give the project the opportunity, not yet so readily available in other spheres of information prevision, to examine in some depth how the changing nature of the public information space which is the World Wide Web will impact technologically and organizationally on the collection management and archival activities of research libraries in the 21st century.

Staff from the Digital Library Program together with staff from the Library for the Performing Arts will review the list of potential e-journals further, consider adding titles at the outset of the project, and prioritize potential publisher partners. (The list of performing arts e-journals and webzines linked from the Library’s website will be helpful in this regard—see the Library’s Performing Arts Internet Resources page, http://www.nypl.org/research/lpa/internet.) The Library has already begun contacting selected publishers of leading e-journals about possible participation and will continue these discussions before the project’s outset.

Once the project begins, the Library will work closely with publishers of electronic journals toward the goal of
establishing a working electronic archive, exploring the issues raised by the Council on Library and Information Resources (CLIR) and the Digital Library Federation (DLF) and detailed in the Federation’s April 2000 publication, *Minimum Criteria for an Archival Repository of Digital Scholarly Journals*.

Among the many areas that the Library will examine are: the viability of certain formats as archival forms (e.g., Acrobat PDF files or HTML with multi-media and embedded links), the level of commitment that can or should be made in the maintenance of the original presentation style, and the degree to which migration or emulation of particular technologies is appropriate.
Scope of activities

A Project Officer will be recruited to serve as the principal Library staff member responsible for coordinating activities in the one-year planning project. (The opening for the position will be announced to Library staff and also outside the Library.) The Project Officer will be assigned to the Library’s existing Digital Library Program and work under the Program’s Director, Michael F. Alexander, who will be responsible for overall project administration. Mr. Alexander has extensive experience in the digital arena, having served as the Manager of Digital Document Developments at the British Library, where he had worked for ten years before joining The New York Public Library in 2000. The Deputy Director of The Research Libraries, Heike Kordish, who has provided leadership in all aspects of the Library’s digital program, will also have a role in project oversight. (Copies of Mr. Alexander’s and Ms. Kordish’s curriculum vitae are included in Attachment A.)

Publishers’ participation and planning the growth of the archive

The first activities of the project will be to identify as comprehensively as possible performing arts journals available in electronic form, to prioritize the leading e-journals, and to contact appropriate publishers, inviting them to participate in a large-scale archiving project. The Library will work with publishers to draw up a template for a set of agreements covering the range of options in establishing an electronic archive that would be agreeable to the publisher participants and that could be supported by the Library. The Library’s General Counsel, Robert J. Vanni, will provide some assistance in this work. This process will be interactive, as much of the information on rights and permissions to inform such agreements will emerge continuously throughout the planning year, both from the continuing discussions with publishers and during explorations by the Library into the technical feasibility of what is being proposed. This process will incur costs for the legal services of outside counsel for the project and travel for publishers’ representatives to the Library. (Project travel costs may also cover travel by Library project staff to meet with other participants in the Mellon Electronic Journal Archiving Program.) Another important aspect of the discussions
will be to begin developing an acquisitions policy to plan for the growth of the archive and estimate the growth over the following four years in the project’s implementation phase.

Designing the technical and operational infrastructure

A major activity of the project will be designing the technical and operational infrastructure needed by the Library to support the archival activity. Barbara Taranto, the Digital Library Program’s Systems Coordinator will be responsible for facilitating technical aspects of the project. She will work together with the Project Officer and with staff in the Library’s Information Technology Group (see page 13), who work under the direction of David M. Sturm, the Library’s Vice President for Information Technology and Chief Information Officer. (Résumés for Ms. Taranto and Mr. Sturm are included in Attachment A.) A small server will be purchased to carry out a range of prototyping activities to test assumptions about the system design. The proposed design for the operation and management of the archive will be based on the Reference Model for an Open Archival Information System (OAIS), identified in the Foundation’s letter of invitation for the Electronic Journal Archiving Program. The design will benefit from information on work already done by other projects, such as the European Union-funded Networked European Deposit Library (NEDLIB), which have moved further from theory into practice with this approach. This activity will involve the following tasks:

A proposed method for assembling an OAIS Submission Information Package (SIP). This will identify the sources and methods of delivery for the e-journal object itself; for the range of metadata which will serve both to identify it, manage its life-cycle within the archive and retrieve it for access; and for the processes required to make this material suitable for placing in the managed environment of the archive as an OAIS Archival Information Package (AIP).

The identification, sizing and cost analysis of an appropriate hardware and software environment in which to manage the AIPs. An object-oriented approach will be adopted in both the design work and software implementation to ensure that the integrity and functionality of the AIP is maintained. In the interests
of inter-operability, the proposed metadata structure will draw heavily on work already developed by libraries internationally (such as NEDLIB and CEDARS in the United Kingdom) to define the key OAIS areas of preservation information: reference information, context information, provenance information, fixity information, and representation information. It is envisioned that the volume of material will be such that a significant storage facility in the form of a Storage Area Network (SAN) will be required, together with proven and robust database software capable of managing data in an object-oriented environment.

The identification of the range of technological challenges. These will include the persistence of names and hyperlinks, response to technology change, scalability of performance, which will be examined during the archiving project itself, and for which solutions will be attempted.

The development of a methodology for identifying and retrieving information from the archive. The methodology for identifying and retrieving information from the journals contained in the archive must be developed to maximize efficiency in terms of information systems and management and, at the same time, strive for cost-effectiveness.

Defining operational processes and the organizational model

Several other key activities will also be defined: all the operational processes required to support the archive, namely the receiving and accessioning of e-journal material, the on-going management of the archive, and the active intervention required to manage technology change over time. In addition, an organizational model of staff required to support these activities will be proposed, and the cost implications of this staffing resource will be identified.

Contingency planning

The project will also outline contingency planning in the event of the demise of either the publisher or the archive and investigate how the archive could assist in the development of a
network of national and international archives, through contacts with institutions undertaking similar work. Potential economic models that might support the continuing activity of the archive will be identified for consideration during the life-cycle of the full-scale project.

Developing a plan for implementation

The final work of the project will be to derive from all the above activities a set of proposals to implement a working archive of electronic journals over the succeeding four years, together with a set of costs and a project plan. The Project Officer will participate with the Director of the Digital Library Program in the two joint planning meetings proposed by the Foundation and would act as the main liaison with the Foundation, potential publisher partners, and potential archival partners for planning and decision matters. All the proposed subsequent activities developed during this planning year will be validated against the Minimum Criteria for an Archival Repository of Digital Scholarly Journals to ensure consistency with the Mellon Foundation’s program.
Background on the Library’s Digital Library Program

The Library is currently in the second year of developing a highly sophisticated Digital Library Program that will make 600,000 of its prints, photographs, maps and other graphical materials from its research collections available on the web. It also intends to embark on further digitization of full-text material in its collections and has begun to produce manuscript collection finding aids in Standard Generalized Markup Language (SGML) as a step towards this work.

This ambitious program has the principal aim of expanding globally public access to the Library’s outstanding research collections. A significant by-product of this activity is the establishment of an operational and technical infrastructure for maintaining access to this digital material into the future. The Library is therefore giving early attention to the establishment of such an infrastructure and to the development of policies and procedures for archiving this material. The system currently in place uses large-capacity server hardware to store image files together with a tape backup procedure that is run regularly and programmed to continually refresh the data files. The Library’s information technology specialists are already developing processes for migrating this data and assessing issues of data loss and digital object integrity.

With the volume of material that the Library plans to place in the digital arena over the next four years, the Library will be required to construct an archiving facility that will be comparable to the likely infrastructure required for any long-term archiving of electronic journals. It is the Library’s firm belief, therefore, that there will be great opportunities for synergy in the work to meet both of these two requirements. The Library will be well positioned through both its technical infrastructure and its digital collection management policies to offer one of the trusted, robust e-journal archives envisioned in the Mellon Electronic Journal Archiving Program.
The Information Technology Group of The New York Public Library

The Information Technology Group (ITG) of The New York Public Library is responsible for the planning, implementation and operation of institutional networking and telecommunications services, information systems, administrative systems and information technology infrastructure. The Library operates a sophisticated computing facility and wide area network and was the first major public library within New York State to create its own Internet gateway and provide menu-driven access to its online catalogs.

The Library uses a variety of technology and services for both public access and staff and administrative functions. Troubleshooting and on-site support of all network and end-user devices and their associated applications are provided by Library staff, with assistance from contracted maintenance services. The Library’s information technology equipment includes:

- 4,000 devices of which 3,000 are PCs and 1,000 are ASCII terminals;
- 100 local area networks supporting 90 locations;
- 94 routers, six ATM switches, six OC-12 connections, two OC-3 connections, one T3 connection, and 85 T1 connections;
- three data centers, five DEC Alpha systems (The Research Libraries’ catalog, the Library’s Information Management System, and the Science, Industry and Business Library database server), two DEC VAX systems (for the Human Resources, Finance, and Development Units, and for the Andrew Heiskell Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped), one Hewlett Packard 9000 Unix system (for the catalog of The Branch Libraries), and six Sun Systems (for the Internet, a digital library server, and the IT help desk);
- ten large telephone switches and 22 smaller systems supporting 2,600 phones and 200 fax machines, and automated call distribution systems at the Science, Industry and Business Library, and the Mid-Manhattan and Donnell Branch Libraries; and
- 750 outside lines and 650 voice mail accounts.

The Library uses a variety of software packages for staff and administrative functions. PC operating system software is Microsoft Windows (95, 98 and 2000), along with the Microsoft
Office Suite, Lotus cc:mail, and Netscape Navigator. The Library has installed PeopleSoft as its Information Management System. ITG supports the Library’s Web server, Intranet server, and all Internet related applications. The Library currently offers connectivity to the Internet at the following speeds:

- T3 connectivity from the Internet to the ITG technology center at Donnell;
- OC-12 connectivity to the four Research centers, Mid-Manhattan, and Donnell; and
- T1 connectivity to the Heiskell Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, the 8 West 40th Street administrative building, and to all Branch Libraries.
ITG has established minimum standards for all PC workstations installed in Branch, Research, and central administration facilities, for other new equipment and software, and periodically upgrades these standards as technology improves and changes. The Library uses a standard TCP/IP communication protocol as its Internet information exchange. The Library’s system is completely Web-compatible and its catalogs and databases are accessible via Web protocols or telnet. The Library currently offers Z39.50 inter-operability so that other Z39.50 catalogs may be searched using the same procedures.
Attachment A: Curriculum vitae of principal project staff
Attachment B: E-journals under consideration for the project
General Arts

ArtsWire
A weekly online digest of Arts news from the New York Foundation for the Arts

http://www.artswire.org

Artsjournal.com
A daily online digest of Arts news in the USA

http://www.arstjournal.com

Oideion
An online journal dedicated to the Performing Arts issued by the University of Leiden, Netherlands

http://iias.leidenuniv.nl/oideion

Absolutearts.com
An online digest of general arts information from World Wide Arts Resources Corporation

http://www.absolutearts.com

Artery: the AIDS arts forum
An online journal dedicated to artistic endeavors from artists associated with the struggle against AIDS

http://www.artistswithaids.org/artery/index1.html

ICulture
An online magazine of Canadian performing arts maintained by CBC television

http://www.infoculture.cbc.ca

The Flying Inkpot
An online performing arts review magazine based in Singapore and concentrating on Asia

http://inkpot.com/

Eve’s Magazine
An online multimedia magazine of the arts produced by Eve Berliner

http://www.evesmag.com

The Celebrity Café
An online entertainment magazine covering musicians, actors, models, writers and artists

http://www.thecelebritycafe.com
Cultural Studies

*Consciousness, Literature and the Arts*
A peer-reviewed journal produced at The University of Wales, Aberystwyth

*Europa*
A journal covering aspects of European culture, art civilization and ways of living, for formal study and the informed lay person. Produced by Intellect Ltd. of Exeter, UK

*Early Modern Literary Studies*
A refereed journal serving as formal arena for scholarly discussion and as an academic resource for literary studies, including drama and music, with references to wider Internet resources

*Women and Performance*
An online journal assessing the role of women in the performing arts

*The Journal of Multimedia History*
From Volume 2, 1999 onwards a journal assessing the impact of multimedia arts, including film, video and web presences

*RENAISSANCE forum*
An electronic journal of early-modern literary and historical studies, based at the University of Hull, UK

*to.the.quick*
An academic journal magazine examining media arts

*Echo*
An online journal examine multimedia cultural activity

*ReSoundings*
A peer-reviewed interactive
hypermedia periodical dealing with print, graphics, and music
**JAC Online**  
A peer-reviewed journal from Georgia State University, publishing theoretical articles on rhetoric, writing etc.  
**LIMEN**  
An online journal dedicated to the performance paradigm  
**Critical Inquiry**  
A print and online cultural studies journal from the University of Chicago  
**The Nunc Sumus Journal**  
An online journal devoted to the continued expansion of thought relating to the humanities  
**Applied Semiotics**  
An international review of research literature on the Internet  

**Music**  
**Sound Journal**  
A peer-reviewed electronic journal examining the role of sound across boundaries  
**Skene**  
An online journal examining the role of theatre in Mexico  
**Journal of Seventeenth-Century Music**  
A refereed forum for scholarly studies of the musical culture of the Seventeenth Century  
**Journal of New Music Research: Electronic Appendix**  
The Electronic Appendix contains multimedia documents relating to articles in the print edition of the
journal
*Guitar and Lute Issues*
The on-line magazine of Editions Orphee

*European Music Journal*
An online review in four languages of musical activities within the European Union

*Ethnomusicology OnLine*
A peer-review multimedia web journal of ethnomusicology

*Essays in Sound*
An online representation of sound in contemporary arts

*Electronic Musicological Review*
An online journal of electronic music studies from the University of Parana, Brazil

*Classical Digital*
Reviews of classical music performances in digital form from Spain

*STM-Online*
The Internet publication of the Swedish musicology Society, in Swedish and English

*Online Trombone Journal*
An internet resource for, and by, trombonists

*neue musikzeitung*
An online discussion forum in German for new musical forms

http://www.orphee.com/pluck.html

http://www.music-journal.com/english

http://www.research.umbc.edu/efhm

http://automnrous.org/soundsite/csa/essays_in_sound/index.html

http://www.cce.ufpr.br/~rem/remi.html

http://www.bmf_introweb.com/classiccd??

http://www.musik.uu.se/ssm/stmonline/index_eng.html

http://www.trombone.org

http://www.nmz.de
Music Theory Online  
The Online Journal of the Society for Music Theory  
Music Research Digest  
An electronic distribution list dealing with issues of music and computing  
Music & Vision  
A daily Intent music magazine  
Music Analysis  
An international forum for new writing on musical works and repertoires issued in print and electronic form  
Critical Musicology  
Online house journal for the Department of Music, University of Leeds, UK  
Trumpet Player Online  
An internet resource for, and by, trumpeters  
Delta Snake Blues News  
An online news and views magazine for blues aficionados  
AMP, Alternate Music Press  
The multimedia journal of New Music  
Min-Ad Israel Studies in Musicality Online  
A refereed scholarly journal published on the World Wide Web aimed at a diverse community of music scholars  
Research Perspectives in Music Education  
Online journal from the University of South Florida School of Music
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musical forms

*DownBeat.com*
An online magazine of jazz and swing music

*CBMR Discussion*
An online discussion forum for black music in scholarly and educational environments

*Music Education Research*
A peer-reviewed journal issued by Taylor & Francis in print and electronic forms

*Cisum*
An independent music magazine issued free of charge on the World Wide Web

*Access to the Music Zone*
Reviews of contemporary [popular music

*Christian Music Newsletter*
A subscription newsletter discussing Christian music worldwide

*Chester*
An online journal discussing Indie popular music in the UK

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**Theatre**

*International Journal of Scottish Theatre*
A peer reviewed journal published by the Department of Drama, Queen Margaret University College

*DIDASKALIA*
A website supporting the journal

*Didaskalia: ancient theater today*

*CyberStage*
An arts magazine examining the uses of technology by new and
traditional artists
*Theatrales*
An expanding collection of hypertexts in French on the nature of Theatre

*The Stage*
Online version of the UK theatrical newspaper

*The Drama Review*
A journal of performance studies published by MIT Press in print and electronic form

*Backstage.com*
An online performing arts resource

*ACTR/ARTC*
Online newsletter of the Association for Canadian Theatre Research

*ASTR-L*
The email discussion group of the American Society for Theatre Research

*Theatre Perspectives International*
An online peer reviewed forum for theater scholars and practitioners

*MRDS*
Online newsletter of the Medieval Renaissance Drama Society

*Playbill Online*
World wide web source of Broadway theater information

*Drama Online*
Online journal of National Drama for teachers and Educators in the UK

*Research in Drama Education*
A peer reviewed journal published by Taylor & Francis in print and electronic form

http://www.er.uqam.ca/nobel/c2545/

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http://mitpress.mit.edu/journals/DRAM/tdr-index.html

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http://www.byu.edu/~hurlbut/mrds/mrds.html

http://www1.playbill.com/playbill

http://www.dokumenta.co.uk/dramaonline.html

http://www.catchword.co.uk
Theatre Management Journal
A journal of Theatre Management provided by the Center for Arts Management and Technology at Carnegie Mellon University

http://www.artsnet.org/ATHEEJ

Dance

Dance Online
Online journal reviewing contemporary dance and the performing arts

DANCER’S DELIGHT
Online review of contemporary dance styles

The Letters of Dance
Online version of the newsletter for Renaissance and SCA Dance

Film & Television

Continuum
An online journal of film and television from an Australian/Asian perspective, produced by Murdoch University, Western Australia

Scene4
Online journal of the Stage & Screen Forum

Scenography International
A forum for the discussion and dissemination of research and practice of scenography

KINEMA
An online and print journal of Film and Audiovisual Media
Das ist taktlos
The magazine of Bayerischen Rundfunks and new music, in German

Film Score Monthly
Online version of the magazine devoted to discussion of film music

Eye
An online news magazine of international film and music

http://www.nmz.de/taktlos
http://www.filmscoremonthly.com
http://www.eye.net