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What is the British Music Collection?

- Formally the British Music Information Centre collection

- Unique collection of British Music from 1900 onwards
  - Mostly post-1960

- British composers/composers working in Britain
  - Contemporary music
What does the BMC contain?

- Scores
  - Published & unpublished

- Sound recordings
  - CDs, cassettes, Betamax, cassettes, LPs
  - Commercial recordings
  - Promotional recordings
  - Broadcasts
  - Informal unpublished recordings

- Background material
  - Composer files
  - Contemporary music festivals brochures
  - Information about the BMIC organisation
Why is it in Huddersfield?

- Widening access to music collections
  - Relocation of Music Library
  - IAML Excellence Award

- Open access policy
  - Long opening hours
  - Public access

- Teaching & learning

- Music Department research
  - CeReNeM

- Huddersfield Contemporary Music Festival
How do you access it?

- Web catalogue
  http://www.soundandmusic.org/thecollection/

- University of Huddersfield Music Library
  ◦ Tel: 01484 472009
  ◦ Email: bmc@hud.ac.uk

- New website coming soon
  http://www.britishmusiccollection.org.uk/
Thank you for listening

Any questions?