

To: Joint Steering Committee for Development of RDA

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Subject: Removing lists of terms from the Medium of Performance (6.15) instructions

ACOC thanks the Music Working Group for this proposal.

ACOC agrees in general with the proposal and has some suggestions for further improvement.

Instead, or as well as including the current list of terms in the Tools Tab, we suggest referring users to the LC thesaurus freely available at <http://id.loc.gov/authorities/performanceMediums.html>.

The revised instruction about the term "continuo" following the Exception in 6.15.1.3 appears to consist of advice on how to select an appropriate term from a thesaurus. If the intention is simply no longer to mandate the term "continuo", but to allow the cataloguer to choose the appropriate term from whatever thesaurus they are using, we believe this paragraph and its example should be deleted.