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Introduction

By publishing the back issues of Soundboard in electronic form, the Guitar Foundation of America has taken a major step in making historic information easily available to the interested researcher.

The first 36 volumes of Soundboard are provided as PDF files on a DVD which is commercially available from the GFA (<https://guitarfoundation.site-ym.com/page/DVD>).

The freeware Acrobat Reader can be used to read the PDF files but it misses a few features that are considered essential for proper searching. One thing it misses is the reference to pictures and music examples. Also it does not always properly recognize the fonts used in the older issues of the magazine.

This document describes a computer program which in all respects is superior to the existing search capabilities of the Acrobat Reader. To use the program, the presence of the DVD files is not a prerequisite but highly recommended.

The Soundboard Index makes the collection of magazines the most complete guitar encyclopaedia in the world.

In addition to this User Guide there are tutorials on the internet at www.dekloe.be. Typically, the duration of a tutorial is less than 5 minutes.

Since this User Guide is quite voluminous, there is a one page ‘Survival Guide’ explaining the main functions.

Terminology, rules

A few notions are common in search programs and they are repeated here:

‘Name’ – a name of a person, institution, publisher, magazine &c. which has pointers to the pages where they occur in the PDF files.

‘Word’ – going sequentially through a database within a range of years.

Noise word – a word that has no significance. This is also called a stop word. These words cannot be searched for. For example when searching for ‘Joan of Arc’ this would be reduced to ‘Joan Arc’. There are about a hundred noise words in the program. Note that all punctuation and words of a single character are considered noise words.

Term – A single word that is used to sequentially search for.

Expression – one term or a combination of terms such as ‘Sor method’.

The panels have yellow and white fields. The contents of yellow fields are filled by the program. The white fields can be filled or selected by the user. Note that as of version 33, the background of the input files is coloured for city, picture and music searches.

Accented characters are represented as such but they are not influencing the sort order or the search. Some accents, such as the ones used in the Central European character set as i.e. Ě, č, ő, ș are shown without diacritical. The letters ‘š’ and ‘ž’ however are supported and come alphabetically after ‘z’.

Note that names of places and historic personalities are spelled as is common in English, i.e. München becomes Munich and Virgilius becomes Virgil.

Where both Catalan and Castilian spelling are used for the same person, this is reduced to a single form (Jaume-Jaime, Carles-Carlos, Emili-Emilio, Pau-Pablo)

Many objects on the panels when pointed to by the mouse provide additional information about their function.

A note on name articles

In principle, name articles (the, le, la, l’, il, el, o, a, de, het, hið, die, der, das, van, von...) and article combinations (del, dell’, dal, della, dello, ...) are put behind the main name. This practice is however not rigorously applied and the user would do well to verify on the main name as well as on the article.

A note on Cyrillic transliteration

Russian, Bulgarian etc. names are translated close to English pronunciation. That means that some Cyrillic letters are replaced by two characters as ‘x’ in Рахманинов becoming ‘kh’: Rakhmaninov (while his name frequently occurs as Rachmaninoff). While ‘й’ as in Сергей is sometimes written as ‘i’, ‘j’ or ‘y’ (Sergej, Sergey), we have a preference for ‘i’

(Sergei). The double ‘i’ ending in names like Василий is shown as ‘y’ (Vasily). By the way, many replace a single s-sound by a double in transliteration which we do not: Мусоргский becomes Musorgsky, not Mussorgsky. When pronunciation requires it, the letter ‘y’ is inserted: Тимофеев becomes Timofeyev, Ельцин becomes Yeltsin. In cases where the spelling of a name has become common such as Сыхра (Сихра), we refer with a ‘See’ reference to the entry with the spelling according to our rules (Sikhra). Authors of articles have their preference of spelling names but such names may need adaptation to our rules: when we encounter Voroniege and Makaroff these are adapted to Voronezh and Makarov.

System requirements

The Soundboard Index program runs on a Windows system (Vista, 7, 8, 10) or on a Mac with Windows emulation. While it is entirely possible to use the program with the collection of PDF’s on the DVD, it is considerably faster when the PDF’s are copied to a separate folder on a hard disk (some Windows systems require that the PDF folder is in the root directory). Ideally, the user has a licensed copy of the DVD supplied by the GFA with the entire PDF collection. The Setup procedure explains that you also need an Adobe Acrobat program for the viewing of the Soundboard PDF’s. It is possible to run the program without the PDF for those who only have the hardcopy collection of Soundboard.

Page numbers

Internally, the index uses two numbers for each page reference: the physical page number in the PDF files and the actual page number used in the Soundboard issues. Only the latter is visible to the user. Note that a page zero can exist for a title page in the first issue of a year, i.e. the picture of “Webb, Bunyan” which is on an unnumbered page of volume 6. There is no restriction in viewing the entry. Some advertising pages can also have number zero as they are usually not numbered in Soundboard.

Distribution, installation

The DVD is distributed by the GFA. The Soundboard PDF files are bundled with the SoundboardIndex application on a single DVD. The installation procedure is also explained on http://www.dekloe.be/SoundboardIndex_Tutorial_0.html

Installing the program

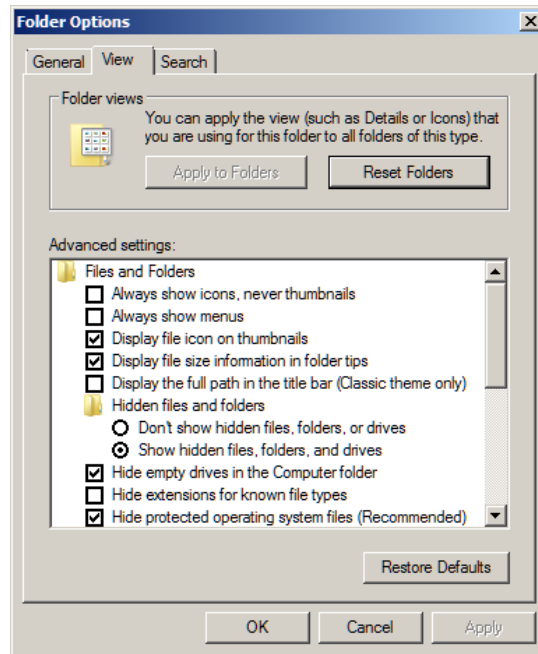
Run the installation program SoundboardIndex[.msi] from the distribution medium (DVD). It will suggest to install in folder C:\SoundboardIndex. When that folder does not exist, it will create one for you. Alternatively you can order the installation file from the author at jan.de.kloe@telenet.be. The license file SoundboardIndexKey.exe is then provided by the author.

The experienced Windows user might want to select a name other than C:\SoundboardIndex. Remember that in Windows 10 you cannot install the program in folders ‘Program Files’ or ‘Program Files (x86)’. This is because the program creates intermediate workfiles there and this area is administrator protected. Unfortunately, Windows 10 does not give a diagnostic message when you attempt this and the program will fail.

Once you completed the install, you should have nine files in folder C:\SoundboardIndex:

- SoundboardIndexDB1.bin
- SoundboardIndexDB2.bin
- SoundboardIndexDB3.bin
- SoundboardIndexDB4.bin
- SoundboardIndex.exe
- SoundboardIndexKey.exe
- SoundboardIndex.ico
- SoundboardIndexRemarks.txt
- Soundboard Index User Guide.pdf (this document)

When only '.bin' extensions are shown and you want to see the filename extensions of the other files you need to instruct Windows to do so. To set the display of the extensions, go to Settings, Control Panel, Folder Options, View tab, and reset the box labeled 'Hide extensions for known file type' as shown.



Setting the icon

The Soundboard Index application comes with an icon that you may want to use. By default it puts this on the desktop:



To assign the application's icon (Vista, Windows 7/8/10), do the following: (1) Right click the above icon; (2) select 'Properties'; (3) Push 'Change Icon...'; (4) Browse to the folder where Soundboard Index was installed; (5) click the icon. Now you have this icon connected to the application:



You can give it a short name such as SB Index.

Installing the digitized Soundboard files

While it is possible to run the program while leaving the Soundboard PDFs on a DVD or thumb drive, it slows down retrieval. We recommend creating the folder C:\SoundboardPDF with the File Explorer, then copy the Soundboard PDF files to this folder.

Execution

To run the program, click SoundboardIndex icon. Immediately, the program will show the main panel:



The first time the program is run, you need to define a few things via the 'Setup' button. All things you define in the setup phase are remembered. The setup is saved in the system registry and definition does not need to be repeated if the environment does not change.

Linking the display program to SoundboardIndex

For display of the Soundboard PDF files you either need to link the free Acrobat Reader or the licensed Distiller. Start the Soundboard Index program and select the 'Setup' button. Hit either Acrobat selection button – the program will try to find it on your system. When automatic linkage fails, the Acrobat program may be in an unexpected path and you can find it with the 'Manual button'.

Linking the PDF data to SoundboardIndex

Now that the PDF files are in folder C:\SoundboardPDF, hit the long white field in the Setup panel. Then a list of all folders on drive C: will be shown after you have selected C:. Select SoundboardPDF and press 'Select'. Now you are told how many PDF files it has located and you are ready for operation.

Other setup options

The option 'Immediate display' is used in name search. When it is set and there is only one reference to it, the display is immediate, meaning that there is no other selection to do from the list on the right.

There are a few other preferences which can be set in the 'Setup' tab which are self-explanatory and demonstrated in the online tutorials.

The option 'Show selection in big text' was provided in the name search for the visually challenged as sometimes an accent is hardly visible, particularly on the letter 'i' as in Garcia vs. García.

The option 'Do not show occurrences (...)' limits the display of the number of occurrences per page of a search item.

If for example the result of a search gives

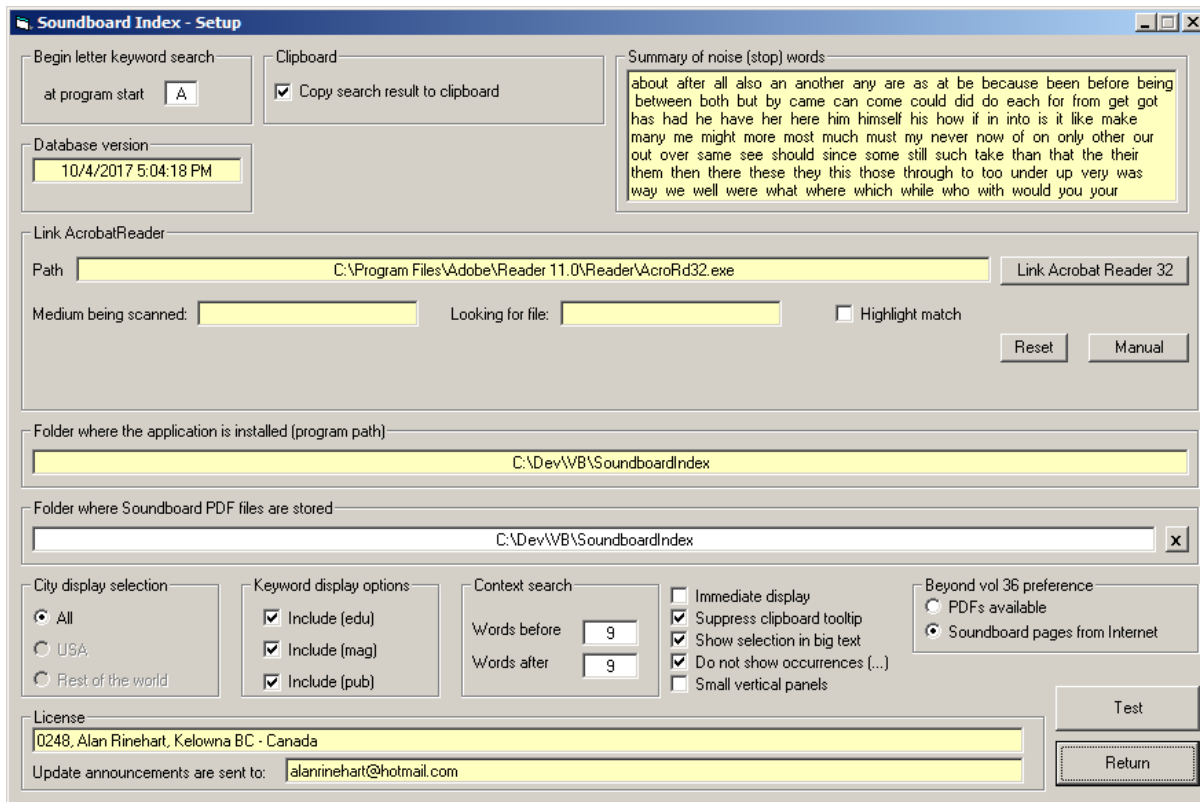
29(5),30(3),31(2),32(7),58(12)

then with option set this would be reduced to

29-32,58

The options in the 'Beyond vol 36 preference' sub-panel give you two possibilities. When you have PDFs above volume 36 then select the upper option. If not, then in many cases, the program will attempt to load the page from the internet as some volumes have been stored there. A 'not found' condition may be returned by internet when the indicated page could not be loaded.

The 'Setup' panel



Highlight match

When you link the display program you can either select AcroRd32.exe or the professional Acrobat.exe. When you have a license for the latter, that one is preferable. Use the Test button to see if both links to the display program and the PDFs are correct. It should show Soundboard Vol 1 #1.

The advantage of this feature is that the name which one is looking for is **highlighted** when encountered. This is a strong feature of the PDF Reader which the Soundboard Index program instructs it to do. Since it will show the PDF and a list of occurrences in that PDF, this feature is most useful when you have two display units.

There are however two disadvantages – setting the option is therefore discouraged:

- if the name was not correctly scanned, no highlighting will occur. This is applicable for the older versions of Soundboard which used old-fashioned fonts;
- it will position to the first name in the selected issue and not necessarily the one on the page selected by the user. It will give a list of all occurrences of names in the selected issue.

An example would be the search for 'Ophee' which gives as first reference pages 5 and 8 in volume 3, issue 1. With the highlight feature, the name on page 8 will not be found due to the poor quality of that text 'Ophee' which was scanned as 'Cphoe'.

It should be noted that a scan of the conversion to Word by means of the Acrobat Distiller may surprisingly not give the same result as a search in a PDF document. A case in point is 'Arcas' in volume 5 issue 3 page 67 which the converter sees as 'Areas' but the search with Acrobat Reader sees as 'Arcas'.

Another reason why the highlight feature is discouraged is that the indexed name in many cases is complete in the database. For example, when the Soundboard search name simply has 'Wolf', the name in the index is completed to 'Wolf, Hugo' and would thus not be highlighted. Another example would be 'Vienna' where the Soundboard text has 'Wien'.

It is easy to highlight a searched term on any page of Soundboard that is displayed on your screen (in response to a specific search) by simply typing ctrl-F (find) and the term itself.

Note: while we have suggested here to define two folders with proposed names, the experienced Windows user may want to choose any other folder names, or combine the two folders in a single folder. We have encountered two problems with different selections: (1) folder paths with embedded spaces; and (2) folders not in the root directory C:\ on some platforms.

Re-installing the program

When you install a new version of the program or attempt to reinstall, the installation procedure will tell you that there is a version existing on the system which you can remove, repair, or modify. It is good practice to un-install the previous version via the feature 'Programs and Features' of the Control Page before a re-install.

Program interfacing

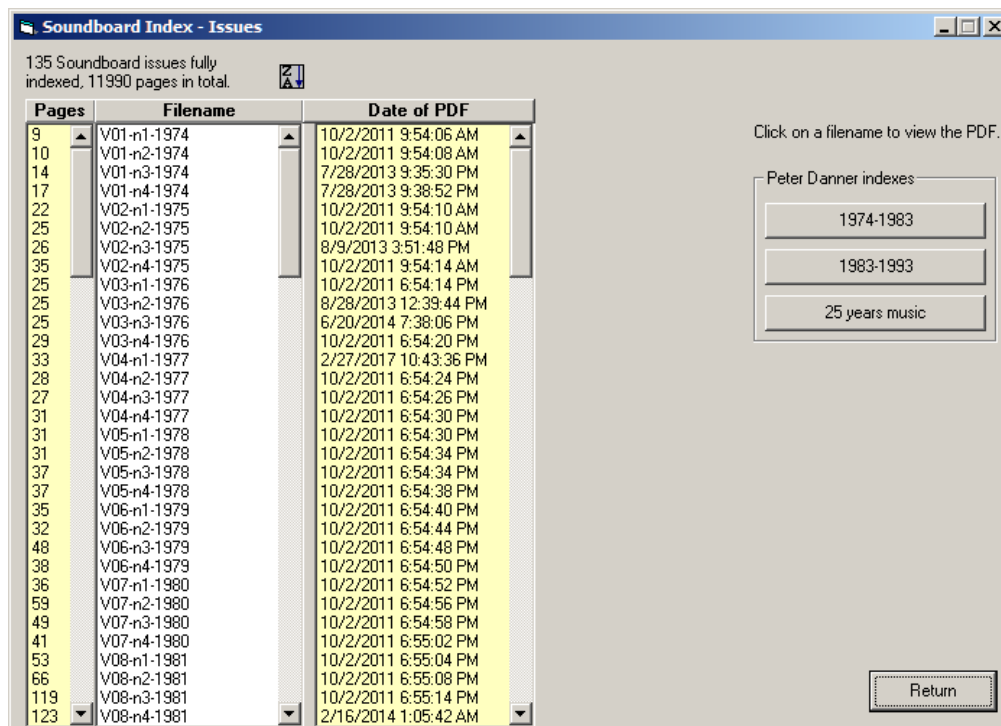
When the Index program receives a user request to display a page from a PDF file, it gives control to the selected Acrobat viewer. Before you can ask the Soundboard Index program for another page to be displayed, the previous page **must** be closed. In a single monitor configuration this is not much of an issue but when you have more than one monitor you can have this situation – without closing the previous display, the cursor of the Index program will remain an hourglass because the viewer has not terminated.

The Index program optionally also interfaces with the user's private applications in that each search result can be copied to the clipboard. This can then be used to display it with Notepad, Word, &c.

The Index program also interfaces with Google, provided the Internet Explorer is installed: any name can be clicked with the Alt-key to search the World Wide Web for that particular expression.

'Soundboard issues' button

Pressing this button shows the PDF files that have been linked to the program:



Use this function to open any PDF on the title page.

This panel will take the full available space of the monitor but it can be shortened vertically. Open a PDF by clicking in the white table. The 'Danner' indexes can be called immediately. When made smaller, the vertical size can again be maximized by double-click in the gray area. In Windows 10 the vertical panel size is shorter as not to overlap with the task bar.

There is a sort button to invert the table.

'Name search' button

This is the function that you will use most often. It provides a sorted list per first letter or attribute (city, music, pic, edu, mag, pub). Normally, this panel will show names with 'A' but you can set it up for any letter on start-up.

The field 'First letter(s)' is a quick way to go to a name by its first letters. You can also paste a copied name in here. Hit the Enter key to position the table at the desired (partial) name.

This panel takes the entire vertical space available. You can adapt the vertical size by moving the bottom boundary up. Set the maximum vertical size by double-click in the gray area.

After selecting a white letter button and a name entry, the right column gives the references by issues and and pages.

When there is a single page as reference, click it to show that page with Acrobat.

When you click a name with a "See" reference, it will automatically go to that letter table.

A strong feature is that when you have installed Microsoft Windows Internet Explorer, you can click a name with the Alt-key pressed and it will look that up with Google.

Soundboard Index - Name search

A B C D E F G H I J K L M N O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z Number of entries 938

city music pic edu mag pub

A.B.C. TV
 A.G.I.F.C.
 Aandahl, Vaughan
 Aarestrup, Emil
 Aaron, Bernard A.
 Aaron, Wylie
 Abaca String Band
 Abate, Sylvie
 Abbado, Marcello
 Abbatessa, Giovanni Batista
 Abbey, Henry
 ABC (mag)
 Abd ar-Rahman II
 Abdul Al-Khabyyr, Sayyd
 Abdula, Konstantin
 Abe, Yasuo
 Abe, Yasushi
 Abel, Carl Friedrich
 Abelard
 Aber, A. L.
 Abercrombie, John
 Aberle, Dennis
 Abernathy, Mark
 Abisheganaden, Alex
 Abiton, Gérard
 Åbjörnsson, Johan
 Abken, Peter
 Ablóniz, Miguel
 Abondance, Florence & Pierre
 Abondance, Pierre
 Abraham Goodman House
 Abrahamsen, Hans
 Abrams (pub)
 Abrams, Richard
 Abrams, Roy
 Abramson, Robert
 Abreu brothers
 Abreu, Antonio
 Abreu, Eduardo
 Abreu, Meliset
 Abreu, Sergio
 Abreu, Sergio (interview)
 Abreu, Zequinha de
 Abril, Mario

Year	Vol	#	Pages
			-

Return Suppress edu, mag, pub = OFF First letter(s) x See context Return

When there is more than one page on a reference line as in this example:

Soundboard Index - Name search

Number of entries 1165

city music pic edu mag pub

Heck, Thomas F.

Year	Vol	#	Pages
1974	1	1	2-4 (2), 5-6, 9
1974	1	2	9-10 (2), 12-3 (2), 17
1974	1	3	19-22, 25-6, 30 (2)
1974	1	4	31-2, 34 (2), 35-6, 42, 46 (2)
1975	2	1	4 (2), 6, 11, 17
1975	2	2	16 (2), 20-1 (2), 22, 24, 33-4
1975	2	3	35, 41-2, 44-6, 50-1, 57
1975	2	4	56, 58, 60, 62, 80 (2), 82, 87
1976	3	1	6-7, 18, 21
1976	3	2	21, 23, 32-5, 41
1976	3	3	45-6, 50, 52, 54-5
1976	3	4	67-8, 72-3, 81, 83, 85
1977	4	1	2 (2), 12, 16 (2), 21, 27
1977	4	2	32, 35, 39, 41-2, 47, 51-2 (2)
1977	4	3	59-61, 63, 67, 70, 73-6, 79
1977	4	4	81, 92-3 (2), 94, 101, 103, 107
1978	5	1	18-9, 22, 25-7
1978	5	2	52 (2), 56, 58-9
1978	5	3	73, 75, 80-1, 84, 86, 96
1978	5	4	104, 130, 134
1979	6	1	10-2, 17, 28-9
1979	6	2	45-6, 58
1979	6	3	70, 75, 81, 100-1, 110, 113
1979	6	4	117, 133, 149 (2)
1980	7	1	2-3, 15, 33 (3)

Return Suppress edu, mag, pub = OFF First letter(s) heck, t See context Return

then click the entire line and another table opens giving the possibility to select a particular page:

Soundboard Index - Name search

Number of entries 1165

city music pic edu mag pub

Heck, Thomas F.

Soundboard reference selection

Display item Heck, Thomas F.

Year 1975 Volume 2 Issue 4

Page(s) Cancel Back to results

Select one reference from this list to display page

56
58
60
62
80 (2)
82
87

Return Suppress edu, mag, pub = OFF See context Return

All index items on a page

When a single page number is clicked with the ALT key pressed, a sorted summary is provided of all index entries that are defined for that page.

'Word search' button

Not all items which you might be looking for are expressed in a name. Also, you might want to look for specific combinations of terms. To do this, there is a database which basically has all the text from the covered Soundboard magazines minus the noise words.

The panel will take the entire vertical space of the monitor but can be shortened by dragging the bottom up. Restore to the maximum size by double-click in the gray area.

The simplest form is shown here:

The screenshot shows the 'Soundboard Index - Word search' window. The 'Date limits' section shows 'From 1974' and 'To 1998'. The 'Search options' section has 'Distance' set to 'Same page, within 10 words'. The 'Search commands' section has 'All these words' selected with the search term 'vihuela'. The 'Search result per word' table shows results for 'vihuela', 'Vihuela', and 'VIHUELA'. The main results table shows 382 matches across 4 volumes from 1974 to 1977.

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1974	1	1	7
1974	1	2	11, 14
1974	1	3	24, 28
1975	2	1	13-4
1975	2	2	23 (3), 25, 29 (4)
1975	2	4	74 (2)
1976	3	1	1, 5, 12 (3), 13 (2)
1976	3	2	25, 36, 38
1976	3	3	45, 55
1976	3	4	88
1977	4	2	34-5 (7), 52 (3)

Here the word 'vihuela' was searched in the range 1974-1998 coming up with 382 matches. You can limit the year range by clicking years in the left two columns.

Point to the question mark to see a summary of the search possibilities.

Search for close words this way:

The screenshot shows the 'Soundboard Index - Word search' window. The 'Date limits' section shows 'From 1974' and 'To 1998'. The 'Search options' section has 'Distance' set to 'Same page, within 5 words'. The 'Search commands' section has 'All these words' selected with the search term 'sor method'. The 'Search result per word' table shows results for 'Sor', 'method', 'Method', 'SOR', 'METHOD', 'sor', and 'sOR'. The main results table shows 30 matches across 15 volumes from 1976 to 1988.

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1976	3	3	42
1977	4	4	81, 92, 94
1979	6	4	138
1980	7	2	63, 65
1980	7	3	129
1981	8	2	76
1981	8	4	272, 276
1982	9	1	29
1982	9	4	364, 392
1983	10	1	71
1983	10	3	250-1
1985	12	3	295
1986	13	1	29-30
1987	14	1	43
1988	15	3	195

The minimum value of “within words” is one and this will also find “Sor’s method” as the apostrophe (considered punctuation) is ignored in the search as well as the single character “s”. The maximum value is 100.

The search time is always given. Searching is considerably faster than with Acrobat.

The search options in the second box are self explanatory. A few features for searching are explained here:

Partial search - Use the letter “p” in front of a word for partial matches, as shown here in a not so realistic situation:

The screenshot shows the 'Soundboard Index - Word search' window. The search command is 'p sor'. The search options are set to 'Same page' and 'Same page, within 5 words'. The search result per word table shows the following results:

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1974	1	1	9
1974	1	2	9, 12 (2), 13, 15, 17
1974	1	3	19-20 (4), 21 (2), 23, 26, 28, 30
1974	1	4	31-2, 42, 46
1975	2	1	1-2, 4-5, 10 (2), 15, 17
1975	2	2	16, 18, 20 (4), 23 (8), 24-5 (2), 29, 33 (2), 37
1975	2	3	35, 37, 45-6 (2), 47, 49, 51-3, 55, 57
1975	2	4	56, 58-61 (2), 62 (4), 63, 65, 70-1 (2), 72 (4), 73 (2), 74 (2)
1976	3	1	3 (4), 4 (2), 5 (2), 6 (5), 8, 12, 21
1976	3	2	21, 25 (4), 26, 32 (3), 34-5 (4), 37 (4), 38, 41
1976	3	3	42 (2), 45 (4), 50-1, 55-6 (4), 57 (3), 58 (2)
1976	3	4	65-7 (5), 68 (2), 69-70, 73 (16), 74 (6), 85 (2), 87 (3), 88
1977	4	1	1 (2), 2 (2), 3 (3), 4 (9), 5 (3), 6-7 (4), 9 (2), 11 (2), 17 (2)
1977	4	2	30 (17), 32 (2), 33 (2), 34 (2), 40, 44 (29), 45 (5), 46-7 (2)
1977	4	3	57 (2), 59-60 (5), 61 (3), 62 (2), 65, 70-1 (4), 72 (4), 73 (2)

The partial word search result table is sorted by number of occurrences.

Another feature is called “exact match”. By default, the search is case insensitive but you can force exact matching by preceding the search term by an apostrophe:

The screenshot shows the 'Soundboard Index - Word search' window. The search command is 'Sor'. The search options are set to 'Same page' and 'Same page, within 5 words'. The search result per word table shows the following results:

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1974	1	2	13, 15
1974	1	3	20 (2), 21, 26
1974	1	4	32, 42
1975	2	1	5, 10 (2), 17
1975	2	2	23 (5), 29, 33, 37
1975	2	3	46, 57
1975	2	4	59, 62 (3), 63, 70-2 (2), 80 (3), 87
1976	3	1	5 (2), 6 (4), 21
1976	3	2	32 (3), 35 (2), 41
1976	3	3	42 (2), 55

Wild cards are “?” for a single character and “*” for any number of consecutive characters. Combinations are of course possible. The first example combines exact match and wildcard:

Soundboard Index - Word search

Date limits: 1974 - 1998

Search options: Distance: Same page, Same and both adjacent pages, Same page, within 10 words

Search commands: All these words, Any of these words. Search term: 'S?'

Search result per word:

1694	Sor
67	Sir
53	Sur
20	Str
3	Sar
2	Sgr
1	Ser
1	Snr
1	Spr

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1974	1	2	13, 15
1974	1	3	20 (2), 21, 26
1974	1	4	32, 42
1975	2	1	5, 10 (2), 17
1975	2	2	23 (5), 24, 29, 33, 37
1975	2	3	46, 57
1975	2	4	59, 62 (3), 63, 70-2 (2), 80 (3), 87
1976	3	1	5 (2), 6 (4), 21
1976	3	2	32 (3), 35 (2), 41
1976	3	3	42 (2), 45, 55, 61

These two examples show the “*” wildcard feature:

Soundboard Index - Word search

Date limits: 1974 - 1998

Search options: Distance: Same page, Same and both adjacent pages, Same page, within 10 words

Search commands: All these words, Any of these words. Search term: s*r

Search result per word:

1694	Sor
639	similar
492	Summer
450	summer
332	September
247	Schneider
246	Shearer
205	Seminar
182	smaller
177	singer
143	slur
139	seminar
138	superior
128	Stover
118	sponsor
105	shoulder
101	Schirmer
100	shorter
95	sur
89	Spencer
85	Salvador
80	stronger
74	SOR

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1974	1	1	3-4, 9 (2)
1974	1	2	9 (4), 11 (3), 13 (3), 15-7 (2)
1974	1	3	19 (2), 20 (4), 21 (2), 26 (2), 29-30 (2)
1974	1	4	32, 38 (4), 42 (2), 45-6 (2)
1975	2	1	2-3 (10), 4 (2), 5 (2), 6 (3), 10 (3), 12-4, 17 (3)
1975	2	2	16 (2), 17, 20 (2), 21-3 (6), 24 (3), 25 (3), 29 (2), 31, 33 (2)
1975	2	3	35 (2), 37, 39, 42 (2), 44 (3), 45 (3), 46 (3), 47 (2), 48 (2)
1975	2	4	56 (2), 59-60 (3), 61 (2), 62 (4), 63 (2), 64 (2), 65, 68-72
1976	3	1	1 (2), 3 (6), 4-5 (3), 6 (10), 8 (3), 9-10, 12 (3), 13 (2), 14
1976	3	2	22 (4), 23 (2), 25 (2), 26 (9), 27 (5), 32 (7), 33 (2), 35 (3)
1976	3	3	41-2 (4), 43 (3), 45 (7), 46 (2), 47 (2), 48 (3), 49-50 (3), 51
1976	3	4	65-6 (2), 67 (7), 68-9 (2), 72-3 (15), 74 (5), 75 (4), 78 (2)
1977	4	1	1 (2), 2-3 (2), 4 (11), 5 (6), 8 (4), 9-10 (2), 11 (4), 12 (2)
1977	4	2	30 (11), 31 (13), 32 (2), 33 (3), 34, 38 (3), 40 (2), 41 (13)
1977	4	3	57 (2), 60 (4), 61, 64 (4), 65-7, 70 (2), 71 (4), 72 (5), 73 (2)
1977	4	4	81 (8), 84-5 (3), 86 (4), 89 (17), 92 (11), 93 (14), 94 (6), 95
1978	5	1	18 (2), 19 (14), 20 (5), 22 (2), 24 (7), 25 (3), 27 (3)

and

Soundboard Index - Word search

Date limits: **1974** - **1998**

From	To
1974	1974
1975	1975
1976	1976
1977	1977
1978	1978
1979	1979
1980	1980
1981	1981
1982	1982
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1998	1998
2004	2004

Search options:

Distance:

Same page

Same and both adjacent pages

Same page, within words

Search commands:

All these words

Any of these words

foot*

But none of these words

Start search

Search result per word:

Year	Vol	#	Pages (occurs)
1974	1	1	7 (2)
1975	2	2	30
1975	2	3	56
1975	2	4	66, 82
1976	3	3	42 (2), 46, 48
1976	3	4	72, 81, 84
1977	4	1	7, 9, 11, 16, 21, 24
1977	4	2	32, 34, 38-40 (2), 44, 50, 52
1977	4	3	59, 64, 66 (2), 67, 70, 77
1977	4	4	85 (2), 86 (2), 93, 100 (3)
1978	5	1	19
1978	5	2	46, 48, 52, 60
1978	5	3	68, 72
1978	5	4	103, 111, 113, 118, 121 (2), 123, 132
1979	6	1	6, 24, 31
1979	6	2	41, 45, 61 (2), 62-3, 65
1979	6	3	81, 89, 105

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Return See context Return

Name vs. word search

Names are based on editorial text – the advertisements are not included. So to look for a specific name when you want to include the ads, you are likely to get more references on a sequential word search than on a name search.

'Other' button

US cities, sorted by state abbreviation can be shown. Also you can ask for statistics which will result in a Notepad report. The Top 100 names occurrences can be listed as well. Other features are self-explanatory,

Context display

Both name and word search give a 'context' button which when pressed shows the text around the matching term. The number of words before and after may be defined by the user but the default of 9 gives the best results. Noise words are not given in context lines. Click in the white list to view that particular page from the PDF collection. Here is an example with a name:

Soundboard Index - Keyword search with context

Keyword:

Year Vol #	Page	Words before	Words after
1976 3 1	5	copy Gesellschaft der Musikfreunde Vienna kind efforts Mr Matanya	15 Marlowe Rd Nashua NH 03060 Hummel Serenades above
1976 3 1	8	Maza 90 Sophocles Pappas 25 Philip Rosheger 9J Mathanya	CARMEL CLASSIC GUITAR FESTIVAL FEBRUARY 21 22 1976 Sunset
1976 3 2	32	receiving facsimile first edition Giuliani's Op 112 summer Matanya	Nashua NH whose moving essay Guitar Chamber Music Why
1976 3 3	46	Sinfonia guitar critical edition Sussmayr Serenade guitar edited Matanya	Items already appeared Arrangements will made GFA members order
1976 3 3	47	GUITAR CHAMBER MUSIC WHY ONE AMATEUR'S VIEW POINT Matanya	deeper apprehension not primarily painful acquisition manual skills artist
1976 3 3	54	number 2327 Xerox copy-flow legible 33 exposures Gift Matanya	title pages states joint compositional undertaking Hummel pianist Giuliani
1976 3 3	54	2677R Xerox copyflow reasonably legible 25 exposures Gift Matanya	Contrary title page states one quartet fine modern edition
1976 3 4	68	nice piece matters examples editorial sham exposed eradicated midst	Ophee
1976 3 4	69	covering broadest aspects guitar its manifestations Editor read Mr	article Guitar Chamber Music Why August 1976 issue Soundboard
1976 3 4	79	no 5295 Legible xerox \$2 00 Items gifts Matanya	113 School St Concord NH 03301 Thomas Heck 17213-D
1976 3 4	82	MUSIC WHY One Amateur's View Point Part Two Matanya	pictureOphee Matanya second installment article began lasissue Soundboard It
1976 3 4	85	position change prior last note scale CONTINUED HELP Mantanya	appreciate assistance possible locating copies following two works Ballet
1977 4 1	16	eleven when composed octet 1817 Xerox copy gift Matanya	states work available Fleischer Collection Philadelphia Free Library Copies
1977 4 1	22	MUSIC WHY One Amateur's View Point Part Three Matanya	Fingerboard Harmony next step development sight reading facility learn

Number of lines:

and here is one after a word search:

Soundboard Index - Sequential search with context

Year Vol #	Page	Words before	Words after
1975 02 4	72	guitar solos latest guitar piece work entitled 'Tarantos' based	flamenco flamenco form arid stark beautiful music dedicated Narciso Yepes worked
1975 02 4	73	guitar its facets will solo concerts today's finest classical	Latin American virtuosos Concertos Festival orchestra guitar duets guitar
1975 02 4	85	Box 2746 Seal Beach CA 90740 complete line classic	guitars makers Jose Ramirez Antonio Marin Montero Felix Manzanero
1976 03 1	4	annual event purpose fun last Gala night Spanish theme	dancing music Spanish food wine In addition pop programmes
1976 03 1	8	Niño de San Lúcar 100 Larry Vogt Peter Evans	guitar 35 Melchor de Marchena 101 Toru Hitomi lecture
1976 03 1	9	ed Cecilia Pejel Ancona Edizioni Bèrben 1974 Exciting Sound	London United Music Publishers Ltd 1974 Two Pieces Scherzino
1976 03 1	19	90813 Handcrafted Guitars Master Luthiers SPANISH GUITAR IMPORTS (ANTONIO MARIN MONTERO represent Mr Marin exclusively United lates
1976 03 2	26	sessions available Individualized programs arranged levels Instruction offer	traditional contemporary folk styles ragtime blues jazz guitar lute
1976 03 2	27	appeared Short review Series issue Soundboard Mainz Germany group	devotees Mainz created organization known FLAMENCO-STUDIO further in
1976 03 2	27	further interest folk art particularly Germany publish newsletter Mitteilungsbla	costing DM per year 6500 Mainz Postfach 1953 Germany
1976 03 2	37	percussion laden concerto Trois Graphiques sort sourball Gallic hymn	dance complete Si le jour parait 1963 long-winded ultimately
1976 03 3	49	techniques Immediately following films guitarist Peter Evans gave first-rate	program Evans RCA recording art ist one time lived
1976 03 3	49	fully combined lecture flamenco's art history masterful performance major	forms Rounding day's events guitar forum visiting players opportunity
1976 03 3	50	plans involve formation string quartet accompany guitar chamber works	cuadro featuring guitar singers dancers possible Brazilian jazz program
1977 04 1	1	Antique Instrument Display Demonstration Lecture Solo Classic Guitar Conc	Concert Welcome Reception GFA Meeting Reception La Playa Hotel

Number of lines:

Installation problem

It has been noted that a problem can exist on systems that require administrative permission to access the PDFs. This then occurs if the PDFs are in a folder under "Program Files". When you ask the program to show a page from the PDFs and it returns immediately without doing so, this is how it shows. Make a folder in the root directory, move the PDFs there and reset the link with Setup.

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Frequently asked questions

Q: Why does a name search of 'Calderon' produce a different result than a *word* search of the same name?

A: When Calderon occurs many times on a page or in an article, not all occurrences may be indexed. This is done to reduce the size of the index but assure that the articles where the name is mentioned can be found by name if that name occurred at least once in the article. When the name occurs in non-editorial text (i.e. advertisements) it is not indexed, i.e. it can only be found by word search. Therefore, a name search and a word search of the same name will hardly ever produce the same result.

Q: I select a name from the 'Pages' list and the page is displayed but I do not find that name on the displayed page. How come?

A: This is because the name does not have an exact match. An example is 'Charpentier' in Volume 17 number 4. The page has the name 'Carpentier' which is obviously misspelled next to Corette, Guichard, Pollet and Alberti. In principle the database contains the correct spelling of names as a best effort. Another example would be where the database has the uniform English spelling of a city name where the Soundboard article has the foreign language name. When that is 'Wien' in the text, you need to search 'Vienna'.

Q: Sometimes I see a question mark next to a name. What does it mean?

A: This is most probably a misspelling in Soundboard but the correct spelling is not known. Suggestions welcome. In some cases the question mark indicates that the spelling is probably wrong (Verstens), that the first name could not be established (Granados the guitarist), or that it is a place name in the USA of which the state is not obvious from the context (Benton).

Q: One person occurs with first name Michael as well as Mike, or William as well as Bill. Why is this?

A: Preference is the long name. In the cases where I have no way of knowing that they are one and the same person, I use the first name as used in the original Soundboard article. Corrections can be submitted.

Document update history

<i>Date</i>	<i>Version</i>	<i>Remarks</i>
March 20, 2014	3.0	Initial publication
April 14, 2014	3.1	Added context features
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August 18, 2014	3.3	Added the option 'Immediate display'
September 20, 2014	3.4	Added the 'First letter(s)' option on keyword search
October 27, 2014	3.5	Added feature 'Suppress clipboard tooltip'
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January 20, 2015	3.8	Current GFA logo
April 30, 2015	3.9	Introduction of 'name' and 'word' terminology, price adapted, text font
June 6, 2015	3.10	FAQ paragraph added. Various language errors fixed. Highlight paragraph extended
July 12, 2015	3.11	Several fixes (proper handling of letter Ø), new SB issues, new installation text.
October 27, 2015	3.12	Several fixes and new feature 'Show selection in big text'. Word search context display improved.
December 3, 2015	3.13	Name search with an accented name would not work – now it does. A progress bar is shown during a word search. Name search on city, music and picture now possible.
January 21, 2016	3.14	Improved handling of characters åÄ. Support of 'See' references in city search. Right-click return from search panels end the program.
March 25, 2016	3.15	Speedup of V-entries display. Allow program to run without DVD files. Fixed several errors.
April 20, 2016	3.16	Option 'Do not show occurrences' added. Added '25 years music index'.
April 29, 2016	3.17	Added 'A note on name articles'
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August 8, 2016	3.20	Price for institutions set; program only has developer updates.
September 25, 2016	3.21	Program fixes and database changes only.
October 27, 2016	3.22	Obituary and interview listings now have page numbers; display of these has been corrected.
January 4, 2017	3.23	Background color of input field changes for city, music, picture; support of accented s and z (šž) and ŷ; vertical panel size shortened for Windows 10.
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March 1, 2017	3.25	cosmetics only; GFA license implied.
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May 9, 2017	3.27	Rewritten installation procedure.
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