Percy Grainger Society Minutes of the Membership and Program Committee Planning Meeting

Saturday January 6, 2024, 11 am (US Eastern Time)

Attending: Paul Jackson (Chair), 12 members registered for meeting. Apologies received from Jennifer Martin and Susan Colson.

Agenda

1. Schedule of Meetings

The new three-monthly schedule for meetings, which aligns them to PGS Board meetings, was explained.

2. Membership Report

The current membership profile and numbers were tabled and explained.

3. The Grainger Journal

The content of the forthcoming edition of The Grainger Journal, vol. 20, no. 1 was tabled.

4. Project Reports

Updates were provided for each of the following current projects:

- Grainger Reimagined (PJ)
- Grainger Repositories (PJ for Jennifer Martin)
- Oral Histories Project (Dana Perna)
- Music Conference Project Group (Rebecca Weismann)

5. Forthcoming Events

Updates and notifications were provided for:

- February 22: Member's Event: Reimagining Grainger Through Performance
- March 3: Third Sunday Focus Tour: Free Music (Teresa Balough)
- March 6: Tone Rhythm Pitch: Exploring Percy Grainger's Free Music exhibition closes
- April 14: Spring Open House with Łukasz Wilga (piano)
- May 16: Member's Event: Reimagining Grainger Through Composition

6. Events in Planning and Discussion

• Program theme for 2024–2025 program year

There was strong support for theming members' activities around the Percy Grainger Home and Studio. **ACTION:** The following recommendations to be put forward for consideration by the PGS Board (31 January 2024 meeting):

- 1. The theme for 2024–2025 should be the Percy Grainger Home and Studio.
- 2. This would also provide a good focus for the 60th anniversary year of the society.
- 3. Members' meetings could be structured by an exploration of each floor of the house (basement, first floor, second floor).
- 4. Members meetings could include virtual tours.
- 5. Various sub-themes could arise from the themed tours, e.g., GLOSS.
- Early 2026: Grainger Symposium at Brigham Young University

An update was provided, awaiting further action from BYU.

7. Next Planning Meetings

Thursday 4 April	15:00 CDT	16:00 EDT	21:00 BST	07:00 AEDT
Thursday 20 June	15:00 CDT	16:00 EDT	21:00 BST	06:00 AEST
Thursday 3 October	15:00 CDT	16:00 EDT	21:00 BST	06:00 AEST