

Alessandro Liberati

Italy – New York

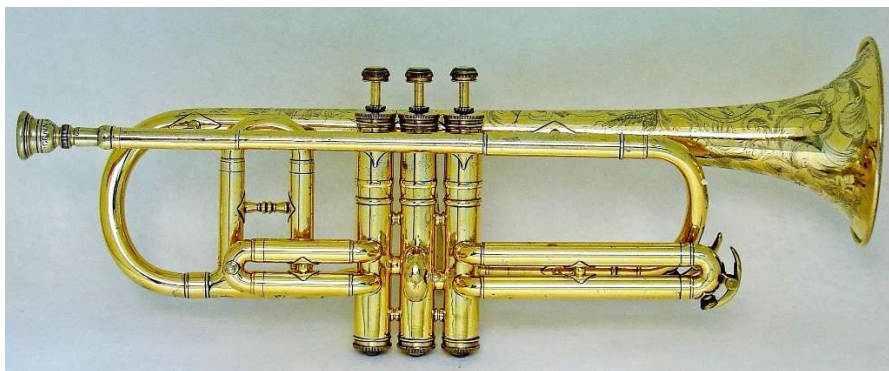
- 1847 Alessandro Liberati is born on August 24 in Frascati, Italy.
- 1859 He begins practicing the cornet.
- 1861 He has his first public appearance as a cornet soloist.
- 1864 He joins the Papal army and spends two years with the First Cacciatori Band of Rome.
- 1866 He is a bugler in Garibaldi's army.
- 1872 Bandmaster Patrick Gilmore invites him to perform at the Peace Jubilee. He emigrates to the US this year (census).
- 1873 He is now the director of all Artillery Bands of Canada.
- 1876 He returns to the US and applies for citizenship.
- 1877 He starts two seasons with Baldwin's Band of Boston.
- 1879 He is a special soloist at the Brighton Beach Hotel on Coney Island.
- 1879 He is first cornetist for two winter seasons with the New York Philharmonic Orchestra.
- 1881 He is a soloist at concerts in Central Park.
- 1883 He is a soloist at the Southern Exposition in Louisville, Kentucky.
- 1885 Alexander Liberait, musician, #169 E. 90th St, NYC (dir.)
- 1886 He is a soloist at the Golden Gate Park in San Francisco.
- 1887 Alexander Liberati, musician, #155 E. 91st St, NYC (dir.)
- 1887 The Liberati Band plays at Steinway Hall (*MTR*).
- 1888 Now at #170 E. 90th St, NYC (dir.)
- 1889 He organizes his own band and starts touring the US and Canada. Home at #170 E. 90th St (dir.)
- 1890 He receives band instruments from Conn and praises their quality (letter to Conn). Home at #170 E. 90th (dir.)
- 1891 Alexander Liberati, musician, #164 E. 90th St, NYC (dir.)
- 1893 Home at 171 E. 90th St (Trow's Directory).
- 1897 Alexander Liberati, musician, #164 E. 90th St (dir.)
- 1898 He is playing a Conn Wonder cornet (Conn ad).



- 1899 He serves as the Grand Marshall in Philadelphia for the Grand Army of the Republic, leading a band of 112 players. His home is at 148 E. 80th St (directory).
- 1900 He is living at #151 Broad St in Woodbury, CT with his family and listed as a musician (census).
- 1905 He is living in the Bronx with wife Elise and daughter Speranza (NY census).
- 1908 The new Conn Wonderphone band instruments are praised by Liberati (Conn ad in *MTR*).
- 1910 He is living at #424 E. 141st St, Bronx and is listed as a music director (census).
- 1914 He is a new Edison artist and has been touring the US for 36 years (*Music Trade Review*).
- 1916 Daughter Speranza marries hotel owner J. Louis Kueny of North Muskegon, MI (marriage record).
- 1918 Liberati is the director of the band for Dodge Brothers Motor Car Co which has 60 players (*MTR*).
- 1923 A photo from the May edition of "The Lyceum Magazine" (photo 2 at right) shows him playing a Holton Clarke model cornet. He is still looking trim and playing well at 76.
- 1927 Liberati dies in New York. His home is at #424 E. 141st St (NY death index).

Information is from "The National Cyclopaedia of American Biography" (1910) unless otherwise noted.

- 1921 Conn New Wonder, "A Liberati Virtuoso" [R. Stewart photo]
He appears to be holding this in photo 1 at right.



- 1921 Martin Standard purchased from the daughter of Liberati's landlady in New Jersey (photos 3&4 at right).

