

Columbus Symphony Orchestra Collection (MC 301)

Organizational Note

The Columbus Symphony Orchestra was the second symphony orchestra established in the United States, coming into being in 1852. There was a long hiatus in its existence after the Civil War, and it was resurrected in 1949.

Scope and Content

Columbus Symphony Orchestra scrapbooks were donated to the public library in memory of James Thomas Fletcher (1943-2010) who was a principal timpani player with the CSO for many years. The scrapbooks were disassembled by the Public Library to put in their vertical files. The first concert of the season was presented February 20, 1950 in the Jordan High School auditorium. The Women's Committee of the Columbus Symphony was formed in 1971.

This collection of the Columbus Symphony Orchestra consists of 2 boxes of materials relating to the orchestra; programs, newspaper clippings and write-ups from 1949 to 1999. All the folders and their contents were left intact as they were originally prepared and given to CSU Archives by the public library.

1949-2011 2 boxes (2 l.f.)

Note to Researchers:

See also:

[Estes Collection \(MC 38\)](#)[Roger Harris/Our Town \(MC 69\)](#)[Harry Kruger Collection \(MC 89\)](#)

Provenance

The materials came to the CSU Archives from the Columbus Public Library in the fall of 2013. They had been housed in the vertical files of the public library archives until they discontinued these activities and donated the materials to the CSU Archives.

Permission to Publish

Permission to publish material from the Columbus Symphony Orchestra Collection must be obtained from the Columbus State University Archives. Use of the following credit line for publication or exhibit is required:

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Box and Folder List

Box 1

- Folder 1 - 1949-1950
- Folder 2 - 1951-1954
- Folder 3 - 1955-1956
- Folder 4 - 1957
- Folder 5 - 1958
- Folder 6 - 1959-1960
- Folder 7 - 1961-1962
- Folder 8 - 1963

- Folder 9 - 1964
- Folder 10 - 1967-1970
- Folder 11 - January-August, 1971
- Folder 12 - September-October, 1971
- Folder 13 - November-December, 1971
- Folder 14 - Women's Committee of the Columbus Symphony, 1971-1999
- Folder 15 -- Columbus Symphony Volunteer Association, 2006, 2009-2011

Box 2

- Folder 15 - January-February, 1972
- Folder 16 - March-April, 1972
- Folder 17 - May-August, 1972
- Folder 18 - September-December, 1972
- Folder 19 - 1973
- Folder 20 - 1974
- Folder 21 - 1975
- Folder 22 - 1976
- Folder 23 -1977-1978
- Folder 24 - January-June, 1979
- Folder 25- July-December, 1979
- Folder 26 - 1980-1981
- Folder 27 - 1982-1984
- Folder 28 - 1985-1988
- Folder 29 - 1990-1999