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Guide to the

Hazel Lockwood Muller papers

1910-1954

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Summary

Creator: Muller, Hazel Lockwood

Title: Hazel Lockwood Muller papers

Date: 1910-1954

Size: 3 linear feet (85 folders in 1 letter-size document box and 4 legal-size document boxes; 1 flat box)

Source: Gift. Hazel Muller. Received: November 1985.

Abstract: The papers of Hazel Lockwood Muller, covering the period 1910-1954, pertain primarily to the program series "Around the World with Dance and Song", presented at New York City's Museum of Natural History, which Muller produced from 1943-1952. The business files consist of correspondence and publicity for the Museum series and some scripts for Muller's radio program based on the series. The two boxes of research files, organized by subject or name, are of particular interest as they contain additional information on the artists beyond their participation in the Museum series. The collection also includes personal correspondence to Muller, mostly from her father, Henry C. Lockwood, and a collection of chronologically-arranged series announcements and programs for Around the World with Dance and Song.

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Language of the Material: English

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Separated Materials:

The following items were separated from the papers; the location of these materials (as of August 2000) are noted below:

1 Box of Photographs - Location: *MGZEB 00-3576 ul>

(photograph files on dancers who appeared in the series Around The World With Dance and Song)

Approx. 35 programs for diverse events - Location: *Program files*

Loose publicity flyers - Location: *Clippings files/ul>*

The following were transferred to the Music Division:

Black binder of radio program transcripts on music

Descriptions of the music program at the Museum of Natural History

Publication entitled "Aspects of Primitive and Folk Music"

Publication entitled "Brief Notes on Music in Eight Countries of Latin America"

Held for Bazaar or discarded:

1 box filled with triplicate programs and publicity material.

Related Materials:

Photographs from this collection were removed and cataloged separately; see *MGZEB 00-3576

Creator History

Hazel Lockwood Muller was born on July 7, 1890. She began working at the American Museum of Natural History in 1922. In 1939 Muller initiated dance recitals in the Indian Hall and in 1942 began holding formal concerts in the Museum's auditorium. In 1945 her title became Supervisor of Dance and Lecture Programs.

The series Hazel Muller produced was called "Around the World with Dance and Song." It was officially held between 1943 and 1952, and consisted of approximately 14 concerts a year by individual artists and groups from different parts of the world. In total, 123 performances were attended by about 160,000 people. The purpose of the series was to add a living dimension to static Museum exhibits, contribute to international appreciation and good will, as well as to educate audiences and help dancers find employment.

Muller wrote radio scripts for the radio program "Dance Horizons", which was based on this series and were aired in the mid-nineteen-forties by WNYC, New York. As a result of Muller's efforts, "Around the World With Dance and Song" won a large and constant audience for dance at the Museum of Natural History.

Scope and Content Note

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Arrangement: I. Papers II. "Around the World with Dance and Song"

Key Terms

Titles

Around the world with dance and song (Performance series)

Dance horizons (Radio program)

Gift of Hazel Muller

Subjects

Ethnic performing arts

Performing arts in museums

Names

Muller, Hazel Lockwood

Lockwood, Henry C

Muse_um national d'histoire naturelle (France)

Container List

I. Papers

(1) Personal

- f. 1 Muller, Hazel--Diary 1910 (1 Item)
- f. 2 Family Tree (2 Items)

(2) Correspondence from others

- f. 3 Angleman, W.S. 1933 (1 Item)
- f. 4 Lockwood, Henry C. 1934-1941 (31 Item)
- f. 5 1942-1944 (30 Items)
- f. 6 1945 (36 Items)
- f. 7 1946 (52 Items)
- f. 8 1947 (35 Items)
- f. 9 1948 (30 Items)
- f. 10 1949 (50 Items)
- f. 11 1950 (10 Items)

- f. 11A (3) Annotated programs (8 Items)

II. "Around the World with Dance and Song"

(I) Business Correspondence and Records

- f. 12 General [descriptions of the series] (10 Items)
- f. 13 General [misc. material on dancers] (30 Items)
- f. 14 Advertising and Ticket Sales (17 Items)
- f. 15 Business Correspondence 1939-1949 (25 Items)
- f. 16 Business Correspondence 1950-1951 (16 Items)
- f. 17 Business Correspondence, [concerning closing of the series] 1952, n.d. (53 Items)
- f. 18 Finances (8 Items)
- f. 19 Index, [Incomplete list of dancers and the date(s) they appeared at the museum between 1948 and 1952.] 1948-1952 (1 Item)
- f. 20 Publicity--Lecture Booklets 1938-1952 (1 Item)
- f. 21 Publicity--Calendar of Events 1943-1947 (1 Item)
- f. 22 Publicity--Calendar of Events 1948-1949 (2 Items)
- f. 23 Publicity--Calendar of Events 1950-1954 (2 Items)
- f. 24 Publicity--Calendar Excerpts (38 Items)
- f. 25 Publicity--Dance Listings (26 Items)
- f. 26 Publicity--Records (31 Item)
- f. 27 Publicity--Records (50 Items)
- f. 28 Radio Shows 1945 (11 Item)
- f. 29 Radio Shows 1946 (17 Items)

(II) Performer Files

- f. 30 African Dance (21 Item)
- f. 31 Alma, Lida and Fleury, Lianni (10 Items)

II. "Around the World with Dance and Song" (cont.)

(II) Performer Files (cont.)

- f. 32 American Folk Dance (11 Item)
- f. 33 American Indian Dance (36 Items)
- f. 34 Basque Dance (10 Items)
- f. 35 Berk, Fred and Delakova, Katya (8 Items)
- f. 36 Chinese Cultural Theatre Group (2 Items)
- f. 37 Cho, Taik Won (10 Items)
- f. 38 Collins, Janet (11 Item)
- f. 39 Dean, Beth (16 Items)
- f. 40 Delza, Sophia (1 Item)
- f. 41 Destine, Jean Leon (17 Items)
- f. 42 Dja, Devi (23 Items)
- f. 43 English Folk Dance Group (1 Item)
- f. 44 Ethnic Sources in Ballet (4 Items)
- f. 45 French Folklore Society (10 Items)
- f. 46 Glinka Russian Dancers (1 Item)
- f. 47 Hadassah (15 Items)
- f. 48 Hawaiiin Dance (44 Items)
- f. 49 Hungarian Dance (3 Items)
- f. 50 Iberia, Sinda and Garcia, Josefina (16 Items)
- f. 51 Inesita (6 Items)
- f. 52 Juana (10 Items)
- f. 53 Ko, Tei (30 Items)
- f. 54 Lapson, Dvora (24 Items)
- f. 55 Laubin, Reginald and Gladys (34 Items)
- f. 56 Limon, Jose (15 Items)
- f. 57 Mahoney, Arthur and Mara, Thalia (3 Items)
- f. 58 Mara (35 Items)
- f. 59 Marchant, Claude (10 Items)
- f. 60 La Meri (31 Item)
- f. 61 Mexican Dance and Music (30 Items)
- f. 62 Polish Dance (3 Items)
- f. 63 Primus, Pearl (15 Items)
- f. 64 Radishev Russian Folk Dance Group (5 Items)
- f. 65 Scottish Dance (3 Items)
- f. 66 Shankar, Uday (25 Items)
- f. 67 Shawn, Ted (10 Items)
- f. 68 Singh, Wasantha Wana (28 Items)
- f. 69 South America (3 Items)
- f. 70 South Seas [includes radio script] (20 Items)
- f. 71 Spanish Dance (11 Item)
- f. 72 Strawbridge Ballet (10 Items)

II. "Around the World with Dance and Song" (cont.)

(II) Performer Files (cont.)

- f. 73 Sujata and Asoka (19 Items)
- f. 74 Swiss Folk Dance Group (10 Items)
- f. 75 Szilard, Paul (2 Items)
- f. 76 Tachibana, Sahomi (7 Items)
- f. 77 Tashimira (2 Items)
- f. 78 Tula (25 Items)
- f. 79 Ukranian Dance (15 Items)

(III) Posters and Programs

- f. 80 Series Announcements 1944-1952 (45 Items)
- f. 81 Programs 1943-1944 (17 Items)
- f. 82 Programs 1945-1946 (28 Items)
- f. 83 Programs 1947-1948 (29 Items)
- f. 84 Programs 1949-1950 (28 Items)
- f. 85 Programs 1951-1952 (24 Items)