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Guide to the

**Robert Bowman collection of music recordings from radio broadcasts  
[sound recording]**

1952-1963

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## Summary

**Creator:** Bowman, Robert, 1925-

**Title:** Robert Bowman collection of music recordings from radio broadcasts [sound recording]

**Date:** 1952-1963

**Size:** 195 sound tape reels, analog mono; 195 sound tape reels, analog mono; analog mono, 10 in.; analog mono, 10 in.; analog mono, 7 in.; analog mono, 7 in.

**Abstract:** The collection consists of noncommercial recordings of radio broadcasts of primarily classical music. The largest portion of the collection consists of broadcast of The New York Philharmonic, with selected concerts from 1952-1963. Conductors of the New York Philharmonic concerts on these recordings include Franco Autori, Leonard Bernstein, Guido Cantelli, Dmitri Mitropoulos, Paul Paray, George Szell, and Bruno Walter. Guest soloists include Claudio Arrau, Robert Casadesus, Van Cliburn, Clifford Curzon, Rudolf Firkušný, Zino Francescatti, Jascha Heifetz, Myra Hess, Byron Janis, Martha Lipton, Artur Rubinstein, Irmgard Seefried, Rudolf Serkin, and Richard Tucker.

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## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Music festivals  
 Operas -- Excerpts  
 Orchestral music  
 Popular music  
 Radio programs, Musical -- United States

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Sound recordings

### **Titles**

Voice of Firestone (Radio program)

### **Names**

Bowman, Robert, 1925-  
 Arrau, Claudio, 1903-1991  
 Autori, Franco, 1903-  
 Baumgartner, Rudolf, 1917-2002  
 Beinum, Eduard van  
 Bernstein, Leonard, 1918-1990  
 Bohm, Carl, 1844-1920  
 Braun, Hans, 1917-1992  
 Brouwenstijn, Gre\_  
 Cantelli, Guido  
 Casadesus, Robert, 1899-1972  
 Cliburn, Van, 1934-2013  
 Conley, Eugene, 1908-1981  
 Conner, Nadine  
 Curzon, Clifford, 1907-1982  
 Firkusny, Rudolf, 1912-1994  
 Fischer-Dieskau, Dietrich, 1925-2012  
 Francescatti, Zino, 1902-1991

Greindl, Josef  
Heifetz, Jascha, 1901-1987  
Hess, Myra, Dame, 1890-1965  
Hines, Jerome, 1921-2003  
Hotter, Hans  
Janis, Byron  
Karajan, Herbert von  
Keilberth, Joseph  
Knappertsbusch, Hans, 1888-1965  
Krauss, Clemens, 1893-1954  
Krips, Josef  
Kubeli\_k, Rafael, 1914-1996  
Lipton, Martha  
Mitropoulos, Dimitri, 1896-1960  
Mo\_dl, Martha  
Monteux, Pierre, 1875-1964  
Munch, Charles, 1891-1968  
Paray, Paul, 1886-1979  
Peters, Roberta, 1930-2017  
Rubinstein, Artur, 1887-1982  
Seefried, Irmgard  
Serkin, Rudolf, 1903-1991  
Steber, Eleanor  
Stevens, Rise\_, 1913-2013  
Szell, George, 1897-1970  
Tagliavini, Ferruccio, 1913-1995  
Tucker, Richard, 1913-1975  
Walter, Bruno, 1876-1962  
Bayreuther Festspiele  
Boston Symphony Orchestra  
Concertgebouworkest  
NBC Symphony Orchestra  
New York Philharmonic  
Salzburger Festspiele  
Wiener Philharmoniker  
Wiener Staatsoper