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Guide to the Ken Harper sound recordings for Bamboo [sound recording] *L (Special) 92-40

Summary

Creator: Harper, Ken, d. 1988

Title: Ken Harper sound recordings for Bamboo [sound recording]

Size: 8 sound recordings; 5, analog 1 7/8 ips stereo; 5, analog 1 7/8 ips stereo; 1, analog 7 1/2 ips stereo, 5 in.; 1, analog 7 1/2 ips stereo, 5 in.; 2, analog 7 1/2 ips. stereo, 7 in.; 2, analog 7 1/2 ips. stereo, 7 in.

Source: Transfer, Billy Rose Theater Collection, 19920429

Abstract: Ken Harper was the producer of the popular Broadway musical The Wiz. Born in New York, Harper became a radio disc jockey in the army. In the late 1960's and early 1970's he worked for radio station WPIX (New York), and later left his job to begin a full time fund raising effort for his musicals. Harper died in 1988 without finding financial support for his second musical production entitled BAMBOO. The collection consists almost exclusively of recordings of the unproduced musical Bamboo. There is a complete recording of the music from the show as well as a demo recording and several recordings of single songs.

Conditions Governing Access:

Access to some original items restricted.

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Creator History

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Arrangement: Arranged in alphabetical order

Key Terms

Subjects Theater -- New York (State)

Occupations Theatrical producers and directors

Names Harper, Ken, d. 1988 McHugh, David, 1941-