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Guide to the

Sonny Rollins audio and moving image collection

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Summary

Creator: Rollins, Sonny

Title: Sonny Rollins audio and moving image collection

Abstract: Theodore Walter "Sonny" Rollins (born September 7th, 1930) is an American jazz tenor saxophonist. Harlem born and raised, Rollins is considered among the players to have defined the instrument through his prolific practicing, performing and recording over a career that spans sixty decades and more than eighty albums. Created and collected by Sonny Rollins, the 2475 item audio and moving collection includes interviews, profiles, live performances, practice sessions and studio recordings. The holdings are available in the Moving Image and Recorded Sound (MIRS) Division.

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Key Terms

Subjects

African American musicians

African Americans -- Music
African Americans in the performing arts
Jazz
Jazz musicians
Music -- United States -- 20th century
Music -- United States -- 21st century
Music trade
Saxophone music (Jazz)

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Jazz
Live sound recordings
Sound recordings
Video recordings

Names

Rollins, Sonny
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