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Guide to the

**Floria Lasky files on Jerome Robbins**

1959-1999

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## Summary

**Creator:** Lasky, Floria, 1923-2007

**Title:** Floria Lasky files on Jerome Robbins

**Date:** 1959-1999

**Size:** 1.05 linear feet (3 boxes)

**Source:** Donated by Christopher Pennington for the Jerome Robbins Foundation.

**Abstract:** The Floria Lasky files on Jerome Robbins, dated 1959-1999, contains mostly legal and financial records for the American Theatre Laboratory, Inc., and to a lesser extent the Ballets U.S.A., Inc. (both companies created by Jerome Robbins; 1918-1998). Other topics include planning for the Jerome Robbins Chamber Dance Company trip to China; negotiations for a film entitled Nijinsky; Robbins' power of attorney; and information regarding the estate of Tom S. Abbott (d. 1987, dancer and choreographer). Floria Lasky (1923-2007), acted as Robbin's attorney in later years. The collection holds agreements, certificate of incorporation, clippings, correspondence, financial statements, minutes and other legal documents.

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**Arrangement:** The files are arranged alphabetically.

## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Accounts  
Clippings  
Correspondence  
Minutes

### **Subjects**

Dance companies  
Dance companies -- New York State (N.Y.) -- New York

### **Occupations**

Lawyers

### **Geographic Names**

New York (N.Y.)

### **Names**

Nijinsky, Vaslaw, 1890-1950  
Robbins, Jerome  
American Theatre Laboratory  
Ballets: U.S.A.

## Container List

- American Theatre Laboratory, Inc
  - b. 1 f. 1-3 By-Laws, Certificate, Minutes 1966, 1984
  - b. 1 f. 4-6 Correspondence 1967-1974
  - b. 1 f. 7-10 Financial Statements 1966-1979
  - b. 1 f. 11-12 Legal Agreements 1970s
- Ballets U.S.A
  - b. 2 f. 1 Certificate Of Incorporation 1959
  - b. 2 f. 2-3 By-Laws, Minutes 1959-1983
  - b. 2 f. 4-5 Business Correspondence 1974-1999
  - b. 2 f. 6-8 Jerome Robbins Chamber Dance Company Trip To China 1981
  - b. 2 f. 9 Last Will and Testament  
Draft. There are also two letters from Robbins.
- b. 2 f. 10-14 *Nijinsky Production* circa 1960s-1975
  - b. 3 f. 1-2 Power Of Attorney 1998
  - b. 3 f. 3 Tom S. Abbott Estate 1987