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Jerome Robbins Dance Division

Guide to the

**Kathryn Dakis collection of dance photographs**

1970-1985

\*MGZEB 21-0038

Processed by Heather Lember in 2021.

## Summary

**Collector:** Dakis, Kathryn

**Title:** Kathryn Dakis collection of dance photographs

**Date:** 1970-1985

**Size:** 0.42 linear feet (1 box)

**Source:** Donated by Kathryn Dakis in 1992.

**Abstract:** Kathryn Dakis is a collector of dance photographs. Her collection contains photographs of American Ballet Theatre, New York City Ballet, Béjart Ballet, and Bolshoi Ballet dating from 1970 to 1985.

**Preferred citation:** Kathryn Dakis collection of dance photographs, \*MGZEB 21-0038. Jerome Robbins Dance Division, The New York Public Library for the Performing Arts

**Language of the Material:** English

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## Creator History

Kathryn Dakis is a New York-based collector of dance photographs. She compiled a collection of photographs from the 1970s and 1980s of the American Ballet Theatre, New York City Ballet, Béjart Ballet, and Bolshoi Ballet.

## Scope and Content Note

The collection dates from 1970 to 1985, and contains an assortment of photographs depicting dancers and dance performances. The photographs are arranged into four dance companies, American Ballet Theatre, Béjart Ballet, Bolshoi Ballet, and New York City Ballet. Most of the photographs are from the 1970s, and depict such dancers and choreographers as George Balanchine, Maurice Béjart, Natalia

Bessmertova, Vladimir Gelvan, Cynthia Gregory, M\_ris Liepa, Daniel Lommel, Ivan Marko, and Peter Martins.

## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Ballet dancers

Ballet dancers -- Photographs

### **Occupations**

Dancers.

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Photographs

### **Names**

Béjart Maurice

Dakis, Kathryn

American Ballet Theatre

New York City Ballet

## Container List

- b. 1 f. 1-3 **American Ballet Theatre 1970s**  
Includes photographs of Michaël Denard, Vladimir Gelvan, and Cynthia Gregory.
- b. 1 f. 4-7 **Béjart Ballet 1975-1979**  
Includes photographs of Maurice Béjart, Jorge Dunn, Daniel Lommel, and Ivan Marko.
- b. 1 f. 8-16 **Bolshoi Ballet 1970s**  
Includes photographs of Natalia Bessmertnova, Aton Dolin, Vyacheslav Gordeyev, Leonid Lavrovsky, M\_ris Liepa, Yelena Ryabinkina, Olga Spessivtseva, and Galina Wanova.
- b. 1 f. 17-23 **New York City Ballet 1972-1985**  
Includes photographs of George Balanchine, Allegra Kent, Kay Mazzo, Peter Martins, Patricia McBride, Karin von Aroldingen, and Billy Wilson.