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TITLE: The Isidor Achron Papers

DATES: 1922–1989

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 1.5 linear feet (4 boxes)

LANGUAGE: Materials chiefly in English.

SUMMARY: Music, correspondence, photographs, and additional materials by and about the composer and pianist Isidor Achron (1892-1948).

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

The Isidor Achron Papers were established in the Music Library of Yale University by Mrs. Lois Chazen in 1992.

Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open to researchers by appointment. There are no restricted materials in the collection. Please contact the Special Collections staff to schedule an appointment. Some of the materials may be stored at the Library’s off-campus shelving facility, so researchers should allow at least two business days to have the appropriate boxes paged.
Biographical / Historical

Born November 24, 1892, in Warsaw, Achron received his early musical training from his father. He later attended the St. Petersburg Conservatory where he studied piano with Annette Essipoff and Nicolai Doubssasoff, composition with Anatol Liadoff, and orchestration with Max Steinberg. He received his artist’s diploma in 1915 and embarked on his first concert tour of Russia. Further plans for performing were interrupted by World War I, however, with Achron being called to serve three years in the Russian army.

In 1922 Achron emigrated to the United States, becoming a citizen in 1928. Achron’s life changed on March 21, 1923 when he received an urgent telegram from Jascha Heifetz that read, “I am offering you a position as accompanist for tour beginning May 1, 1923 terminating May 1, 1924 including tour of the orient.” For the next ten years Achron served as Heifetz’s principal accompanist, recording an extensive discography and performing chamber and solo recitals in major music centers all over the world.

On June 14, 1935 Achron married the mezzo-soprano Lea Karina. Karina, born in Helsinki in 1914, made her singing debut with the Helsingfors Symphony Orchestra in 1931 under the baton of Jean Sibelius. She was an accomplished pianist as well as singer who was able to perform vocal repertoire in nine different languages. In 1941 she made her New York debut at Town Hall with her husband accompanying. She went on to have a successful career in radio and later served as audio director for the popular television show Your Hit Parade. Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco and Nicolas Slonimsky were among the composers who dedicated songs to her.

The mid 1930s witnessed Achron’s return to solo performance as well as serious work as a composer. In 1937 he completed his First Concerto for Piano and Orchestra which he premiered on December 9, 1937 at Carnegie Hall with the New York Philharmonic, John Barbirolli conducting. He later performed the concerto with the London Symphony Orchestra and the Colonne Orchestra of Paris. Major publishers began to show interest in Achron’s compositions with the publication of the First Piano Concerto and the first Sonnet for violin and piano in 1939 both by Carl Fischer, Inc. In 1937, Achron’s song “Do You Know That The Moon Can Talk” was published by Chappell & Co., Ltd. under the pseudonym of Julian Dorr while the Suite Grotesque for piano was published in 1943 by G. Schirmer. Among those to whom Achron dedicated compositions were Heifetz, Yehudi Menuhin, Gregor Piatigorsky, and Mischa Elman. In 1946 Achron gave his final Carnegie Hall recital performing his own solo works as well as pieces by Mozart, Ravel, Liszt, and Chopin. He died suddenly on May 12, 1948 in New York City. Lea Karina remained in New York City teaching voice lessons and continuing her work in radio. She died on December 22, 1988. The lives and careers of both Achron and Karina are documented in the Papers with manuscript and published music, correspondence, programs, reviews, photographs, and miscellaneous materials.

The Isidor Achron Papers also contain additional material of Jascha Heifetz and Lea Karina’s student Hildegarde Loretta Sell, the popular ballroom singer and radio personality of the 1930s and 40s. The Heifetz material consists of magazine articles, newspaper clippings, concert programs, and a caricature of Heifetz and Achron. The Hildegarde material consists of music, correspondence, photographs, newspaper clippings, programs, and publicity material.
Scope and Contents
The Isidor Achron Papers document the careers of Achron and his wife, singer Lea Karina. The Papers hold sketches, manuscript music, and printed editions of Achron’s musical compositions, as well as songs which other composers wrote specifically for Karina. The Papers also include correspondence, photographs, programs, clippings, biographical materials, and miscellaneous materials relating to both Jascha Heifetz and Achron’s pupil, popular singer Hildegarde.

Arrangement
In 10 series as follows: I. Music. II. Correspondence of I. Achron and L. Karina. III. Photographs. IV. Programs and Clippings. V. Legal Documents. VI. Publicity and Biographical Material. VII. Miscellaneous. VIII. Additional Materials Relating to Jascha Heifetz. IX. Additional Materials Relating to Hildegarde. X. Sound Recordings
Collection Contents
Series I. Music

Music Composed by Isidor Achron

b. 1, f. 1  
6 p. of music ; 35 cm. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
Annotations in pencil and pen. 
On cover: L. Karin [crossed out, replaced with I.A.] 
For piano. 
2 copies.

b. 1, f. 1  
5 p. of music ; 35 cm. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
For piano.

[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 1, op. 2] Concerto pour piano et orchestre / par Isidor Achron. 
1 manuscript score (103 p.) ; 43 cm. 
Manuscript (photocopy) 
Cataloged separately as Misc. Ms. 382.

b. 1, f. 2  
[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 1, op. 2, arr.] Concerto no. 1 for piano / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1939. 
1 score (41 p.) ; 31 cm. 
Plate no.: 28403-40 
Arr. for 2 pianos. 
On cover: To dear Jane: I dare you to tackle this! composed by my teacher. Love, Hildegarde, April 15, 1947. 
Annotations in pen and pencil [1 copy only] 
2 copies.

[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 2, op. 3, A major] Second concerto in A major / by Isidor Achron. 
1 manuscript score (116 p.) ; 43 cm. 
Manuscript (photocopy) 
Cataloged separately as Misc. Ms. 381.

b. 1, f. 3  
[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 2, op. 3] Second concerto for piano and orchestra, op. 3. 
28 parts ; 34 cm. 
Copyist’s manuscript on transparencies. 
Orchestral parts.

b. 1, f. 4  
[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 2, op. 3] Second concerto for piano and orchestra, op. 3. 
28 parts ; 33 cm. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
Orchestral parts.

b. 1, f. 5  
[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 2, op. 3] Second concerto for piano and orchestra, op. 3. 
28 parts ; 33 cm. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
Orchestral parts.
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<td><strong>[Concertos, piano, orchestra, no. 2, op. 3, arr.]</strong> Second concerto for piano and orchestra, op. 3. 1 score (62 p.); 32 cm. Copyist’s manuscript on transparency. Arr. for two pianos. At end: June 22nd-1938. August 16th-1939. New York</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 8</td>
<td><strong>[Do you know that the moon can talk?]</strong> Do you know that the moon can talk? / Julian Dorr. -- London : Chappell, 1937. 1 score (2 p.); 31 cm. For voice and piano. On cover: I know you will do it beautifully, love, Lea [1 copy only] Julian Dorr was a pseudonym for Isidor Achron. 2 copies.</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 8</td>
<td><strong>[Gavotte-satirique, op. 10]</strong> Gavotte-satirique for cello and piano, op. 10. 1 score (4 p.) + 1 part (2 p.); 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Inside cover: To Gregor Piatigorsky. 2 copies.</td>
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<td><strong>[Gavotte-satirique, op. 10, arr.]</strong> Gavotte-satirique for piano, op. 10. 2 p. of music; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Inside cover: To Gregor Piatigorsky. 2 copies.</td>
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<td><strong>[Gavotte satirique, op. 10, arr.]</strong> Gavotte satirique, op. 10 / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1943. 5 p. of music; 31 cm. Plate no.: 29517-3 For piano. 2 copies.</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 8</td>
<td><strong>[Gavotte-satirique, op. 10, arr.]</strong> Gavotte-satirique for violin and piano, op. 10. 1 part (2 p.); 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Inside cover: To Gregor Piatigorsky. Violin part only. 2 copies.</td>
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<td>b. 1, f. 9</td>
<td><strong>[Happy birthday FDR]</strong> Happy birthday FDR / music by Isidor Achron ; words by Friede Rothe. 1 score (4 p.); 32 cm. Holograph in pencil. For voice and piano.</td>
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| b. 1, f. 9 | **[Happy birthday FDR]** Happy birthday FDR / music by Isidor Achron ; words by Friede Rothe. 1 score (3 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
2 copies, 1 is negative photostat. |
| b. 1, f. 10 | **[Improvisation, violin, piano, op. 11]** Improvisation, violin with piano accompaniment, op. 11 / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1946. 1 score (5 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 31 cm.  
Plate no.: N 1090  
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 10 | **[Improvisation, violin, piano, op. 12]** Improvisation for violin and piano, op. 12. 1 score (5 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 10 | **[Improvisation, violin, piano, op. 12, arr.]** Improvisation, op. 12. 1 score (5 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
Inside cover: To Lucie Bigelow Rosen.  
Arr. for theremin and piano. |
| b. 1, f. 11 | **[Nocturne-fantasia, op. 9]** Nocturne-fantasia for violin and piano, op. 9. 1 score (5 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 11 | **[Nocturne-fantasia, op. 9, arr.]** Nocturne-fantasia for cello and piano, op. 9. 1 score (5 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
2 copies, 1 with annotations in pencil. |
| b. 1, f. 11 | **[Nocturne fantasía, op. 9, arr.]** Nocturne fantasia / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1943. 7 p. of music ; 31 cm.  
Plate no.: 29565-5  
Arr. for piano.  
Annotations in pencil, 1 copy.  
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 12 | **[Sonata, piano, op. 14]** Sonata for piano, op. 14. 22 p. of music ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
At end: May 16th-1947 New York. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | **[Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 1, op. 5]** Sonnet / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1940. 1 score (5 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 31 cm.  
Plate no.: 28911-6  
Inside cover: To Yehudi Menuhin.  
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | **[Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 1, op. 5]** Sonnet no. 1 for violin and piano, op. 5. 1 score (4 p.) + 1 part (1 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
2 copies. |
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| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 1, op. 5, arr.] Sonnet / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1939. | 5 p. of music ; 31 cm. 
Plate no.: 28808-4 
Arr. for piano. 
Inside cover: To Rose Morley. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 1, op. 6] Sonnet no. 2 for violin and piano, op. 6. | 1 score (6 p.) ; 35 cm. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
Annotations in pencil. 
Inside cover: To Jascha Heifetz. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 2, op. 6] Sonnet no. 2 / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1942. | 1 score (7 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 31 cm. 
Plate no.: 29311-8 
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 2, op. 6, arr.] Sonnet, no. 2, op. 6 / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1942. | 5 p. of music ; 31 cm. 
Arr. for piano. 
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 2, op. 6, arr.] Sonnet no. 2 for piano, op. 6. | 4 p. of music ; 35 cm. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
Annotations in pen and pencil. 
At end: Feb-16th-1940 N.Y. 
3 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, violin, piano, no. 2, op. 6, arr.] Sonnet no. 2 for piano, op. 6. | 1 p. of music [p. 3] ; 35 cm. 
Incomplete, lacks 4 p. 
Holograph, photocopy. 
Annotations in pen and red pencil. |
Plate no.: 41748c 
2 copies. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Sonnets, piano, no. 3 op. 13] Sonnet no. 3. -- [1948] | 9 p. of music ; 33 cm. 
Proof copy. 
Plate no.: 41748c 
Annotations in red pencil. |
| b. 1, f. 13 | [Suite grotesque, op. 7] Suite grotesque : for the piano : op. 7 / by Isidor Achron. | [1941?]. |
| | 1 manuscript score (66 p.) ; 43 cm | Manuscript (photocopy) 
Contents: Gavotte -- Minuet -- Tango -- Polka -- Valse. 
Cataloged separately as Misc. Ms. 380. |
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<td><strong>[Suite grotesque, op. 7. Gavotte]</strong> Gavotte-grotesque for piano, op. 7. 3 p. of music; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Annotations in pencil, 1 copy. 2 copies.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 14</td>
<td><strong>[Suite grotesque, op. 7. Polka]</strong> Polka-grotesque for piano, op. 7. 4 p. of music; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Annotations in pencil, 1 copy. 2 copies.</td>
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<td><strong>[Suite grotesque, op. 7. Tango]</strong> Tango-grotesque for piano, op. 7. 2 p. of music; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Annotations in pencil, 1 copy. 2 copies.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 14</td>
<td><strong>[Suite grotesque, op. 7. Valse]</strong> Valse-grotesque for piano, op. 7. 4 p. of music; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. Annotations in pencil, 1 copy. 2 copies.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 14</td>
<td><strong>[Suite grotesque, op. 7, arr.]</strong> Suite-grotesque, op. 7. 5 parts; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. String parts to accompany piano version.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 14</td>
<td><strong>[They came to tell me your faults]</strong> Faults / music by Isidor Achron ; words by Sarah Teasdale. 1 score (3 p.); 32 cm. Holograph in pencil. For voice and piano.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 15</td>
<td><strong>[Valse de concert, op. 11]</strong> Valse de concert for piano, op. 11. 7 p. of music; 35 cm. Holograph, photocopy. 2 copies.</td>
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| b. 2, f. 15 | **[Valse dramatique, op. 4]** Valse dramatique for violin and piano, op. 4.  
1 score (4 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
Inside cover: To Mischa Elman. |
| b. 2, f. 15 | **[Valse dramatique, op. 4]** Valse dramatique, violin with piano  
accompaniment / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C. Fischer, 1941.  
1 score (5 p.) + 1 part (2 p.) ; 31 cm.  
Plate no.: 29110-6  
2 copies. |
| b. 2, f. 15 | **[Valse dramatique, op. 4, arr.]** Valse dramatique / Isidor Achron. -- New York :  
C. Fischer, 1939.  
5 p. of music ; 31 cm.  
Plate no.: 28807-4  
For piano.  
2 copies. |
| b. 2, f. 15 | **[Valse fantastique, op. 8]** Valse fantastique for violin and piano, op. 8.  
1 score (3 p.) + 1 part (1 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
2 copies, 1 lacks part. |
| b. 2, f. 15 | **[Valse intime]** Valse intime for piano solo / Isidor Achron. -- New York : C.  
Fischer, 1934.  
2 p. of music ; 31 cm.  
Plate no.: 26922-2 |
| b. 2, f. 16 | **[A kolo]** A kolo, a Croatian folk-dance.  
1 score (2 p.) ; 39 cm.  
Holograph, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
English translation by Jeanne Casselle. |
| b. 2, f. 16 | **[Come laddie]** Come laddie, a Slovak folksong.  
1 score (1 p.) ; 26 cm.  
Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
English translation by Jeanne Casselle.  
Annotations in pencil. |
| b. 2, f. 16 | **[Cossack’s farewell]** A cossack’s farewell (oy kriatshe, kriatshe), (a Ukrainian  
folsong)  
1 score (1 p.) ; 29 cm.  
Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
English translation by Jeanne Casselle. |
| b. 2, f. 17 | **[Czech folksongs]** Anonymous Czech folksongs from the collection of Dr.  
Oscar W. Junek.  
30 items with 3 letters to Junek and others. |
| b. 2, f. 17 | **[Czech folksongs]** Arrangements of 6 Czech folksongs from Dr. Oscar W.  
Junek.  
1 score (12 p.) ; 32 cm.  
Holograph.  
For voice and piano. |
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<td>[Czech folksongs] Sketches of Czech folksongs. 6 p. of music; 32 cm. Manuscript. Vocal line only.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 18</td>
<td>[Great lord is a peasant] A great lord is a peasant, a Czech folksong. 1 score (1 p.); 31 cm. Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy. For voice and piano. English translation by Jeanne Casselle.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 18</td>
<td>[I love to love] I love to love (sil jsem proso), (a Czech folk-song) 1 score (1 p.); 29 cm. Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy. For voice and piano. English version by Jeanne Casselle.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 18</td>
<td>[Sad times have come] Sad times have come, a Slovak folksong. 1 score (1 p.); 29 cm. Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy. For voice and piano. English version by Jeanne Casselle.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 18</td>
<td>[Under our window] Under our window, a Slovak folksong. 1 score (1 p.); 29 cm. Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy. For voice and piano. English version by Jeanne Casselle.</td>
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<td>b. 2, f. 18</td>
<td>[Why didn’t you come?] Why don’t you come?, (a Slovak folk-song) 1 score (1 p.); 29 cm. Holograph with typescript lyrics, photocopy. For voice and piano. English version by Jeanne Casselle.</td>
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# Music by Other Composers (continued)

**b. 2, f. 19**  
**[Songs, op. 52. Licht so traumend] Canzonetta, Licht so traumend, op. 52, no. 2.**  
1 score (3 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Achron, Joseph  
Holograph[?] in ink.  
For voice and piano.  
Annotations in pencil.

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Damajanti] Damajanti.**  
1 score (7 p.) ; 32 cm.  
Arensky, Anton  
Manuscript in ink.  
Russian words.  
For voice and piano.  
Annotations in pencil and ink.

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Pustinya] The desert.**  
1 score (4 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Balakirev, Miliî Alekseevich, 1837-1910  
Manuscript in ink.  
Russian and English words.  
For voice and piano.  
Annotations on pencil.

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Nachtigall hat ausgesungen] Die Nachtigall hat ausgesungen.**  
1 score (2 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Bolderman, Luci  
Holograph, photocopy.  
German and English words.  
For voice and piano.  
Text by H. Michaud.

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Hear but the wind... ] Hear but the wind...**  
1 score (2 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Bucky-Sarsen, Frida  
Holograph, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Hear the wind whispering] Hear the wind whispering.**  
1 score (3 p.) ; 32 cm.  
Bucky-Sarsen, Frida  
Holograph, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
Annotations in ink.  
2 copies.

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Hear the wind whispering] Hear the wind whispering / Frida Bucky-Sarsen.**  
--- New York : Boosey and Hawkes, 1944.  
1 score (5 p.) ; 31 cm.  
Bucky-Sarsen, Frida  
For voice and piano.  
Plate no.: 2443-3

**b. 2, f. 20**  
**[Moonlight Everywhere] Moonlight everywhere.**  
1 score (2 p.) ; 35 cm.  
Bucky-Sarsen, Frida  
Holograph, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
2 copies.
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1 score (9 p.); 33 cm.  
Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Mario, 1895-1968  
Holograph, photocopy.  
Contents: 1. When I went to the film. -- 2. What is man without an income?  
1 score (10 p.); 34 cm.  
Holograph in ink.  
On cover: for Lia Karina with true friendship, Mario.  
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| b. 2, f. 21 | **[Romances viejos]** Romances viejos para canto y piano / Mario Castelnuovo-Tedesco. -- Ricordi: Milan, 1935.  
1 score (8 p.); 35 cm.  
Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Mario, 1895-1968  
Plate no.: 123638  
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New York-Sept 19th 1939 |
| b. 2, f. 21 | **[When I have sung my songs]** When I have sung my songs, song for voice.  
1 score (2 p.); 32 cm.  
Charles, Ernest  
Holograph, photocopy.  
For voice and piano.  
Annotations in pencil.  
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| b. 2, f. 22 | **[D'une prison]** D’une prison.  
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Daudet, Léon, 1867-1942  
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For voice and piano.  
French words.  
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Elman, Mischa, 1891-1967  
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1 score (6 p.) ; 30 cm.
Elman, Mischa, 1891-1967
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Text by Nathan Sulzberger, translated by T. Baker.
FOR VOICE AND PIANO.
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1 score (4 p.) ; 32 cm.
Eysler, Edm.
Manuscript.
German words.
For voice and piano.

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[Yugu mou gpyz] Yugu mou gpyz.
1 score (2 p.) ; 32 cm.
Fomin, Ieoris
Holograph in ink.
Russian words.
For voice and piano.

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[Berceuse, piano] Berceuse, le pays de rêves.
3 p. of music ; 32 cm.
Fraser-Henry, Florence
Holograph in ink.
Manuscript "List of Movements" attached.

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[Chaconne, piano] Chaconne.
2 p. of music ; 32 cm.
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b. 2, f. 23  
[Drake's drum] Drake's drum.
1 p. of music.
Fraser-Henry, Florence
Holograph in ink.
For piano.

b. 2, f. 23  
[Fandango, piano] Fandango.
3 p. of music ; 32 cm.
Fraser-Henry, Florence
Holograph in ink.

b. 2, f. 23  
[Galliard, piano] Galliard (old northern type)
2 p. of music ; 32 cm.
Fraser-Henry, Florence
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|            | Annotations in pencil. | |

| b. 2, f. 24 | [Nancy’s reply] Nancy’s reply. | 1 score (8 p.); 30 cm. |
|            | Hogan, Frank | Holograph in ink. |
|            | For voice and piano. | |
|            | Letter to Lea Karina attached. | |

| b. 2, f. 24 | [Ila twej mitosei] Ila twej mitosei. | 1 conductor’s score (1 p.) + 15 parts; 32 cm. |
|            | Karazinski, Z. | Holograph in ink. |
|            | For chamber ensemble. | |
|            | Annotations in pencil. | |

| b. 2, f. 25 | [Le roi de Lahore] Le roi de Lahore: Ferme les yeux, o belle maîtresse, romance-sérénade. | 1 score (6 p.); 32 cm. |
|            | Massenet, Jules, 1842-1912 | Copyist’s manuscript. |
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|            | Annotations in pencil. | |

| b. 2, f. 25 | [Kozyoi] Der Ziegenbock. | 1 score (4 p.); 32 cm. |
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|            | Russian words. | For voice and piano. |

| b. 2, f. 25 | [Songs by Franz Werfel] Three songs by Franz Werfel. | 1 score (10 p.); 34 cm. |
|            | Newlin, Dika | Holograph, photocopy. |
|            | German and English words. | For voice and piano. |

| b. 2, f. 26 | [April] April, song for high voice. | 1 score (3 p.); 31 cm. |
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|            | Text by Theodosia Garrison. | For voice and piano. |
|            | At end: March 26, 1928. | |

|            | Souviron, Yvette | Holograph, photocopy. |
|            | Spanish words. | For voice and piano. |
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|             | For voice and piano. |

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|             | For voice and piano.  
|             | At end: Yvette Souviron, Habana 1960 |

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| b. 2, f. 26 | [Pardonne moi] “Pardonne moi”.  
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For voice and piano. |
| **b. 2, f. 27** | [Zigeunerbaron, arr.] Zigeunerbaron.  
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Strauss, Johann  
Copyist’s manuscript.  
For chamber orchestra.  
2 copies of score. |
| **b. 2, f. 27** | [Estro armonico, no. 11. Largo, arr.] Larghetto (from the concerto for string orchestra) Vivaldi-Heifetz. New York : C. Fischer, 1929.  
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Vivaldi, Antonio  
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Arr. for violin and piano by Jascha Heifetz.  
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Manuscript.  
For voice and piano. |
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| b. 4, f. 48 | Published bios from music trade publications.  
12 items                                                             | 1941–1962  |
|           | **Awards**                                                                  |            |
| b. 4, f. 49 | United Seamen’s Service, Inc.  
2 items                                                               | no date    |
| b. 4, f. 49 | ASCAP membership election, Isidor Achron  
1 item                                                              | 1941 Jul. 17 |
Series VII. Miscellaneous

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53 items
### Series VII. Additional Materials re Jascha Heifetz

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### Series IX. Additional Materials re Hildegarde

#### Music

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[Darling, je vous aime beaucoup] Darling, je vous aime beaucoup / Ana Sosenko -- New York : Chappell, 1936.  
1 score (3 p.) : 31 cm.  
Sosenko, Anna  
Plate no. C-656-3.  
For voice and piano.

#### Correspondence

**b. 4, f. 54**  
Karina, Lea  
14 items  
1958–1988

#### Photographs

**Hildegarde alone**

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Hildegarde alone  
photo# H1-2  
1948–1949

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Hildegarde alone  
photo# H3-13  
1954–1956

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Hildegarde alone  
photo# H14-15  
1965–1966

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Hildegarde alone  
photo# H16  
1970 Nov. 1

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Hildegarde alone  
photo# H17-21  
no date

**Hildegarde with one other person**

**b. 4, f. 56**  
Anna?  
photo# H22  
1948

**b. 4, f. 56**  
Karina, Lea  
photo# H23-26  
1952–1958

**b. 4, f. 56**  
Karina, Lea  
photo# H27-28  
no date

**b. 4, f. 56**  
Mary Martin  
photo# H29  
no date

**b. 4, f. 56**  
Unidentified  
photo# H30-31  
no date

**Hildegarde and Group**

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Hildegarde (1st row, 2nd from left), Lea Karina (far right), 13 unidentified.  
photo# H32-34

**b. 4, f. 55**  
Harry S. Truman, Hildegarde, unidentified, Bess Truman.  
photo# H35
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Pianists -- United States
Singers -- Correspondence

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Barbirolli, John, 1899-1970
Castelnuovo-Tedesco, Mario, 1895-1968
Deis, Carl
Heifetz, Jascha, 1901-1987
Hildegarde, 1906-2005
Judson, Arthur, 1881-1975
Karina, Lia, 1914-1988
Klematti, Heikki, 1876-1953
Koussevitzky, Serge, 1874-1951
Menuhin, Yehudi, 1916-1999
Slonimsky, Nicolas, 1894-1995
Steinway, Theodore E., 1883-1957
Stokowski, Leopold, 1882-1977
Swanson, Gloria, 1897-1983
Volpe, Arnold, 1869-1940