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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: MSS 10

CREATOR: Ornstein, Leo, 1892-2002

TITLE: The Leo Ornstein Papers

DATES: 1892–1989

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 32 linear feet (25 boxes)

LANGUAGE: Materials chiefly in English.

SUMMARY: Music, photographs, and additional materials by and about the Russian-American composer Leo Ornstein (ca. 1893-2002)

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Requesting Instructions

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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 Leo Ornstein Papers were established in the Music Library of Yale University by Leo Ornstein in 1973.

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.
Initially regarded as a child prodigy and enfant terrible, Leo Ornstein outlasted his admirers and critics alike; born in the nineteenth century, he lived into the twenty-first. His compositional career may well be the longest in music history; stretching over eight decades, it surpasses those of even such famously long-lived composers as Verdi, Stravinsky, and Havergal Brian.

Leo Ornstein was born in the Ukrainian city of Kremenchug in 1892 or 1893. (The exact date has not been firmly established.) The son of a rabbi, he began his musical studies at home. At the age of ten he entered the conservatory of St. Petersburg, where he studied with Anna Esipova and Alexander Glazunov. After the failed Russian revolution of 1905, the Ornstein family fled to the United States, settling on the Lower East Side of Manhattan. Ornstein continued his musical education at the Institute of Musical Art (later known as the Juilliard School), studying piano with Bertha Tapper and harmony with Percy Goetschius. He made his New York debut in 1911 and was immediately hailed as a supremely gifted pianist.

Ornstein soon made his mark as a composer as well. Works such as Wild Men’s Dance and Suicide in an Airplane aroused critical controversy as a result of Ornstein’s new compositional vocabulary, which included startling dissonances, percussive sonorities, and driving rhythms. Critics sometimes grouped him with Schoenberg and Stravinsky as leaders of the modernist movement. Ornstein’s reputation was not limited to the United States; in 1913-14, he undertook a European concert tour. He created a sensation in Berlin, Paris, and London, and he became friends with leading musicians and critics, such as Ferruccio Busoni and M.D. Calvocoressi. After returning home Ornstein continued to perform regularly, and he was widely regarded as one of the most important young musicians in America. Frederick H. Martins published a short biography in 1918, Leo Ornstein: The Man, His Ideas, His Work.

In 1918 Ornstein married Pauline Mallet-Prévost, who had also been a piano student of Bertha Tapper. They had two children. Ornstein usually composed by dictating the music to his wife, so most of the manuscripts in the Ornstein Papers are in her hand.

Despite his extraordinary pianistic talents, Ornstein did not enjoy the stress, travel, and social obligations of life as a touring virtuoso. He began to curtail his concert schedule in the early 1920s, and by the early ’30s, he had withdrawn from the concert stage altogether. Instead, he turned to pedagogy; for several years he was a member of the faculty at the Philadelphia Musical Academy. He later established the Ornstein School of Music in Philadelphia, where he taught until his retirement in the mid-1950s. He and his wife later settled in Brownsville, Texas and then in Green Bay, Wisconsin. He died in Green Bay on February 24, 2002.

After Ornstein stopped performing in public, his music also faded from view. Although he continued to compose prolifically, he came to favor a less radical style than the one that had brought him into the limelight. Meanwhile, a new generation of modernist composers came to the fore, and by the 1950s, Ornstein was largely forgotten. Towards the end of the twentieth century, there were signs of an Ornstein revival, however. His son Severo Ornstein published many of his works under imprint of the Poon Hill Press, and several have been recorded. Historians now recognize Ornstein as a pivotal figure in the early history of musical modernism.
Scope and Contents

The Leo Ornstein Papers contain sketches, manuscript scores, and published editions of Ornstein's musical compositions, including songs, piano pieces, chamber music, and orchestral works. The majority of the manuscripts are in the hand of Ornstein's wife, Pauline. The Papers also hold photographs, programs and reviews, biographical clippings, and prose writings by Pauline Ornstein.

The Leo Ornstein Papers also include materials that have not yet been processed. Please consult the Special Collections staff for further information.

Arrangement

In 3 series as follows: I. Music. II. Photographs. III. Miscellaneous.
Collection Contents

Series I. Music

Ornstein’s musical works have been divided into four categories according to genre:

A. Vocal Works, arranged alphabetically

B. Piano Works: Solo piano works, arranged alphabetically; Solo piano sonatas, untitled works, unfinished works; Music for more than one performer

C. Chamber Music: With winds and one other instrument; With strings and one other instrument; Ensembles

D. Orchestral Music

Vocal Works
Call Number: I.A
Arranged alphabetically

b. 1, f. 1
America
3 p. each
C. Fischer publications
SA (2 copies); SSA (1 copy); SAB (1 copy); SATB (1 copy); TTBB (1 copy)

b. 1, f. 1
The corpse, voice & piano
Holograph score in ink [written before 1918] -- 13 p.
New Music publication, April, 1928 -- 15 p.

b. 1, f. 1
Cradle song for voice, piano & violin ad lib., op. 33, no. 1
9 p.
C. Fischer publication, c1915
[op. 33, nos. 2 & 3 were also published, but are not in the collection: no. 2 - A vision of glory; no. 3 - Alone in the forest (with violin part)]

b. 1, f. 1
Lullaby
6 p.
purple copy

b. 1, f. 2
Mother o’ mine (words by Kipling)
5 p.
C. Fischer publication, c1916

b. 1, f. 2
Tartar lament (words by Frederick Martens)
7 p.
C. Fischer publication, c1918
[this is no. 2 of Two Oriental songs. No. 1 is not in the collection]

b. 1, f. 2
There was a jolly miller once
5 p.
C. Fischer publication, c1916
### I.A Vocal Works (continued)

**b. 1, f. 2**  
*Three Russian Choruses, op. 61.* SATB a cappella  
(piano part for rehearsal)

- No. 1 - Russian Lament  
  9 p.  
  Associated Music publication, c1928  
  Photocopy of same

- No. 2 - Russian Winter  
  11 p.  
  Associated Music publication, c1918  
  Photocopy of same

- No. 3 - Russian Festival  
  13 p.  
  Breitkopf & Härtel publication, c1918  
  Photocopy of same

**b. 1, f. 3**  
5 songs op. 17  
(later arranged for voice and orchestra)  
(no titles: mimeographs of first 4, photocopy of 5th from the holographs)

- Dawn beyond windows...  
  8 p.  
  1927

- Streets of stone unending...  
  8 p.  
  1928 July

- Life burns bright and I am alone...  
  10 p.  
  1927

- Sing! The sun, the earth is song...  
  13 p.  
  no date

- Shades of tremulous color garment the single hued sunlight...  
  7 p.  
  1927 Aug. 17

**b. 1, f. 4**  
4 songs without words

- no. 1  
  6 p.  
  mimeograph or purple ink of holograph score  
  2 copies

- no. 2  
  7 p.  
  mimeograph or purple ink of holograph score  
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- no. 3  
  9 p.  
  holograph score in ink  
  1928 June 16–18
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Holograph in pencil -- 3 p.  
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| b. 2, f. 1 | Ballade  
19 p.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed  
[2 copies] | 21 December 1976 |
| b. 2, f. 1 | Barbaro: a pantomime  
17 p.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed  
Originally "Vignette J" | 30 November 1978 |
| b. 2, f. 1 | Barcarolle, op. 6, no. 4  
4 p.  
Holograph in ink, markings in red |  |
| b. 2, f. 1 | *Burlesca* (a satire)  
20 p.  
(Dedicated to William Westney)  
Joshua Corp. Ed.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed | 23 September 1976 |
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An interlude (27 October 1976)  
A bit of Nostalgia (11 November 1976)  
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The gypsy lament  
The old dungeon  
A fairy dance  
The cathedral bells and the choir  
The merry-go-round |
| b. 2, f. 2 | Intermezzo IA | 8 p. Holograph in ink |
| b. 2, f. 2 | Intermezzo IIA | 7 p. Holograph in ink |
| b. 2, f. 2 | Intermezzo IIE | 7 p. Copy of copyist’s manuscript signed August 1968 |
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Copy of holograph | 30 October 1968 |
| b. 2, f. 2 | Just a fun piece  
15 p.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed | 29 June 1978 |
| b. 2, f. 3 | *Memories from childhood*, a cycle for piano  
17 p.  
Joshua Corp. Ed.  
G. Schirmer publication, c1925  
A tale from the moon  
The organgrinder and the monkey  
In grandpapa’s big rocker  
The funny story  
An Arabian fable  
In the swing  
The sleeping doll  
March of the tin soldiers | |
| b. 2, f. 3 | Mindy’s piece  
41, 4 p.  
Holograph in ink, signed  
Holograph in pencil  
Written for granddaughter when child | 1967 Jan 14 |
| b. 2, f. 3 | A morning in the woods  
11 p.  
Holograph in ink  
[one reel microfilm] | 29 September 1971 |
| b. 2, f. 3 | A morning in the woods  
11 p.  
Copy of copyist’s manuscript signed with addition of pencil corrections | 29 September 1971 |
| b. 2, f. 3 | Musings of a piano  
9 p.  
G. Schirmer publication, c1924  
The professor walks by  
The piano thinks out loud  
The music lesson and the complaining child  
I wish I knew | |
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20 p.  
Holograph in ink | written ca. 1922 |
| b. 2, f. 3 | Nocturne No. II  
36 p.  
Holograph in ink, markings in red (his hand) | |
| b. 2a, f. 4 | Poems of 1917, op. 41  
54 p.  
Carl Fischer publication, c1918 | |
|           | No man's land   | |
|           | The sower of despair | |
|           | The orient in Flanders | |
|           | The wrath of the despoiled | |
|           | Night brooding over the battlefield | |
|           | A dirge of the trenches | |
|           | Song behind the lines | |
|           | The battle | |
|           | The army at prayer | |
|           | Dance of the dead | |
|           | 2 copies | |
| b. 2a, f. 4 | Piano pieces, op. 17, no. 1-5  
Holograph in pencil, with red markings (his hand) | |
|           | Volga (Song of the Bayemen) | |
|           | Natasha (Smiles and coquetry) | |
|           | Potok (Dirge of the Merijicks) | |
|           | Mirig i Jinka (The old couple dance) | |
|           | Doumka (Grief in the heart) | |
| b. 2a, f. 4 | Piano sketch book  
40, 39 p.  
Elkan-Vogel publication, c1939 - 2 vols. | |
| b. 2a, f. 4 | 3 preludes, op. 20  
11 p.  
B. Schott’s Söhne, c1914 [photocopy] | |
| b. 2a, f. 4 | The recruit and the bugler  
11 p.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed | 24 August 1978 |
**I.B Piano Works (continued)**

| b. 2a, f. 5 | **Seeing Russia with teacher** (ten descriptive duets)  
G. Schirmer publication, c1925 - 2 vols.  
**Book 1** -- 11 p.  
The old village church  
Putting the wooden doll to sleep  
The sleigh ride  
The prisoners leave for Siberia  
The Carrousel  
**Book 2** -- 11 p.  
The Moujik in the dark woods  
Baba tells an old tale  
The Cossacks ride by  
The barge on the Dnieper  
Holiday in the village |
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| b. 2a, f. 5 | **Serenade for the pianoforte, op. 5, no. 1**  
6 p.  
Breitkopf Pulications, Inc., c1918  
1 original and [photocopy]  
[Last page contains page 1 of op. 5, no. 2 - Scherzino] |
| b. 2a, f. 5 | **Six water colors for piano, op. 80**  
21 p.  
Carl Fischer, c1921  
(2 copies) |
| b. 2a, f. 5 | **A small Carnival**  
10 p.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed |
| b. 2a, f. 5 | **Solitude**  
9 p.  
Copyist’s manuscript signed  
[Formerly titled “Departure”: see letter 10/78] |
| b. 2a, f. 5 | **Some New York Scenes**  
20 p.  
Holograph in black ink, markings in blue ink |
| b. 2a, f. 5 | **Suicide in an airplane**  
16 p.  
Holograph in black ink (his hand) |
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16 p.  
W. Hansen publication, c1914  
Doumka  
Extase  
Barcarole  
Mélancolie  
Danse Burlesque  
Berceuse  
Chanson pathétique |
| b. 2a, f. 6 | Tarantelle  
11 p.  
Holograph in ink  
Photocopy of Holograph  
1 reel of microfilm |
| b. 2a, f. 6 | Tarantelle diabolique  
16 p.  
Holograph in pencil |
| b. 2a, f. 6 | Three landscapes  
13 p.  
Evening’s sorrow  
Copy of Copyist’s manuscript signed  
[is possibly intended to be part of Morning in the Woods or Some New York Scenes] |
| b. 2a, f. 6 | Three landscapes  
13 p.  
Evening’s sorrow (revised version)  
Copy of copyist’s manuscript signed |
| b. 2a, f. 6 | Three moods: Anger-Grief-Joy  
34 p.  
Holograph in ink  
2 copies of holograph  
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15 p.  
Carl Fischer, Inc., c1924 [photocopy] | |
| b. 3a, f. 5 | Scherzino, op. 5, no. 2  
5 p.  
Breitkopf & Härtel, 1918 | |
| b. 3a, f. 6 | Moment Musical, Schubert-Ornstein, op. 51, no. 1  
4 p.  
Breitkopf & Härtel, 1918  
[last page contains page 1 of Scherzino, op. 5, no.23] | |
| b. 3a, f. 7 | A set of seven Waltzes  
Number [?] July 6th, 1979 -- 9 p.  
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| b. 3a, f. 8 | Miscellaneous Waltzes  
[given the following numberings at Mrs. Ornstein's request]  
Waltz No. 7 January 11th 1980 -- 7 p.  
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| b. 3a, f. 9 | *A la Mexicana* (three pieces in folk-style for the pianoforte) op. 35  
12 p.  
Breitkopf & Härtel, Inc. New York c1920 (photocopy) | |
| b. 3a, f. 9 | A Chromatic Dance  
15 p. | December 29th 1978 |
| b. 3a, f. 9 | A Chromatic Dance  
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General Music Publishing, c1980 | |
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Holograph score in ink  
Offset copies of 2 parts - slurs in blue ink (2 p. each) | 1959 |
| b. 4, f. 1 | Prelude in ancient [antique] style for flute & clarinet  
Offset master of score -- 7 p.  
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Photocopy of flute part | |
| b. 4, f. 2 | *Allegro for flute & piano* [called *Intermezzo*]  
Joshua Corp. Ed.  
Holograph score in pencil -- 19 p.  
Holograph flute part in ink -- 5 p.  
Photocopy of holograph flute part  
Photocopy of alternate B-flat clarinet part -- 5 p.  
Photocopy of alternate B-flat clarinet part -- 4 p.  
*Allegro for flute and piano (Feb. 20th, 1979)* -- 17 p.  
Prelude for flute & piano -- 13 p.  
Holograph score in ink | |
| b. 4, f. 3 | Nocturne for clarinet & piano  
17 p.  
Offset copy of score  
Holograph part in ink for clarinet | |
| b. 4, f. 3a | Ballade for Clarinet in B-flat  
2 p.  
Photocopy of Copyist’s manuscript | |
| b. 4, f. 4 | Ballade for sax & piano  
Joshua Corp. Ed.  
Holograph score in ink -- 11 p.  
Photocopy of holograph alternate B-flat clarinet part -- 2 p.  
Holograph sax part in ink  
Holograph alternate viola part in ink  
New set with corrections (see enclosed correspondence) | |
I.C Chamber Music (continued)

With stringed instruments
Call Number: I.C.2

b. 4, f. 5
Hebraic Fantasy, violin & piano
13 p.
Joshua Corp. Ed.
Offset copy of holograph score
Photocopy of holograph violin part
1 reel of microfilm

b. 4, f. 5
Waltz, violin & piano
8 p.
Holograph score in pencil

b. 4, f. 6
Violin sonata (manuscript; not op. 31)
42 p.
Holograph score in ink of slow movement only

b. 4, f. 6
Sonata for violin and piano, op. 31
43 p.
Carl Fischer, 1915
Includes violin part (11 p.)
Photocopy

b. 4, f. 7
Violin sonata, op. 26
23 p.
Publisher’s proof of score and part (22 May 1918)
Pencil corrections added throughout

b. 4, f. 8
Fantasy pieces for viola & piano
I Score: 1 manuscript, 2 photocopies (17 p.); copyist’s score (13 p.) -- Nov. 1980.
II Never written
III Holograph score (23 October 1972) -- 19 p.
Photocopy of holograph score
Holograph part
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b. 4, f. 9
Six Preludes for violoncello & piano
55 p.
Joshua Corp. Ed.
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Holograph score in ink of 2-piano version  
Photocopy of 2-piano version  
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[N.B. the photocopy of the 2-piano version contains changes made by Ornstein for the revival performance in Dec. 1976. These changes are in the hand of William Westney] | |
| b. 10–11  
b. 11A–11B | Piano concerto  
Holograph set of parts  
Photocopy set of parts for performance | |
| b. 12     | Piano concerto  
Incidental music for the play of Lysistrata  
Negative photostat copy of the score  
Holograph score of section called “Lament of Young Men” | |
| b. 13     | Piano concerto  
Incidental music for the play of Lysistrata  
Photocopy of holograph of section “Bacchanale” (1930?)  
One reel microfilm  
Holograph and negative photostat of instrumental parts (49 p.)  
Copies of piano, violin, viola, cello, bass, flute, clarinet, trumpet, trombone and percussion parts [2 sets] | |
| b. 14     | Lysistrata Suite, for orchestra  
Holograph score of Prelude to Act I, Burlesque & Funeral march, Prelude to Act II, and opening Fanfare (for trumpet and trombone)  
Holograph set of string parts for entire piece, made separately from the set of parts. | |
I.D Orchestral Music (continued)

b. 15  
Lysistrata Suite, for orchestra
Complete set of parts
Violin I - 1 holograph and 10 copies
Violin II - 1 holograph and 10 copies
Viola - 1 holograph and 8 copies
Cello - 1 holograph and 8 copies
Bass - 1 holograph and 8 copies
Flutes I, II, III - holographs
Oboes I, II, III - holographs
English Horn - holograph for Burlesque, Prelude II and Bacchanale only
Clarinet I, II, III - holograph
Bass Clarinet - holograph
Bassoon I, II, III - holograph
Contrabassoon - holograph
Horn I, II, III - holograph
Trumpet I, II, III, IV - holograph
Trombone I, II, III - holograph
Tuba - holograph
Timpani - holograph
Percussion - 1 holograph and 4 copies
Large drum - holograph

b. 16–17  
Lysistrata Suite, for orchestra
Copyflow set of parts to Lysistrata Suite, arranged by separate movements
Prelude to Act I
Burlesque and Funeral March
Prelude to Act II
Bacchanale
Series II. Photographs

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Reminiscences from here, there & everywhere (49 p.)  
Shortcuts in taking dictation (2 p.)  
Reminiscences continued (17 unnumbered pages) [see letter of 12 March 1975]  
What is music? (120 p.)  
Notes and copy of analysis of Ornstein Quintet on Hotel Sylvania (Philadelphia) stationary and addressed to a Miss Lederman |
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