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Selected Search Terms

Aaron Copland Oral History

OHVI
Collection Overview

REPOSITORY: Oral History of American Music
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http://guides.library.yale.edu/oham/collectionsguide

CALL NUMBER: OHVI

CREATOR: Perlis, Vivian

TITLE: Aaron Copland Oral History

DATES: 1948–1989

BULK DATES: 1980–1989

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 141 Computer Files

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The Aaron Copland Oral History comprises approximately 75 interviews with colleagues, friends, and family of Aaron Copland (note: for interviews with Copland himself, see the Major Figures in American Music collection). Oral History of American Music (OHAM) founder Vivian Perlis first became friends with Copland while working on the Charles Ives Oral History. Copland later wrote the preface for her book, Charles Ives Remembered. As the Ives project finished, Perlis focused on Copland as her new subject. From 1975 to 1976, she conducted many hours of interviews with Copland and those closest to him. Finally, in 1984 and 1989, their efforts culminated in the autobiographies, Copland: 1900 through 1942 and Copland: Since 1943, co-authored by Perlis.

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General

68 interviews

Arrangement

The collection is arranged alphabetically by surname of interviewee.
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Series I. Baker, Caroll

Baker, Caroll
Call Number: OHVI 951 a
Approximate Running Time: 28 mins
Transcript Page Count: 11 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 951 a

By telephone

Vivian Perlis
Bean, Betty
Call Number: OHVI 943 a
Approximate Running Time: 32 mins
Transcript Page Count: 11 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 943 a
New York, NY
William Owens
Series IV. Bernier, Rosamond

Bernier, Rosamond
Call Number: OHVI 933 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 74 mins
Transcript Page Count: 32 pages

[Aviary] OHVI 933 a-b
New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series VI. Burkat, Leonard

Burkat, Leonard
Call Number: OHVI 952 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 76 mins
Transcript Page Count: 30 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 952 a-b
Danbury, CT
Vivian Perlis

1986 March 26
Series VII. Clurman, Harold

Clurman, Harold
Call Number: OHVI 901 a-c
Approximate Running Time: 105 mins
Transcript Page Count: 50 pages

[Aviary] OHVI 901 a-c

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series VIII. Conroy, William

Conroy, William
Call Number: OHVI 920 a
Approximate Running Time: 44 mins
Transcript Page Count: 19 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 920 a
Yale Club, New York, NY
Vivian Perlis
Series IX. Copland, Irving

1981 April 7

Copland, Irving
Call Number: OHVI 917 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 74 mins
Transcript Page Count: 38 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 917 a-b
Roosevelt Island, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series X. Copland, Milton

Copland, Milton
Call Number: OHVI 925 a
Approximate Running Time: 21 mins
Transcript Page Count: 10 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 925 a
New York, NY

William Owens
Series XI. Curtin, Phyllis

Curtin, Phyllis
Call Number: OHVI 947 a
Approximate Running Time: 29 mins
Transcript Page Count: 14 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 947 a
Vivian Perlis

1986 August 6
Series XIV. De Mille, Agnes

De Mille, Agnes
Call Number: OHVI 904 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 46 mins
Transcript Page Count: 20 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 904 a-b
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis

1980 June 25
Diamond, David
Call Number: OHVI 907 a-c
Approximate Running Time: 112 mins
Transcript Page Count: 49 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 907 a-c
Juilliard, New York, NY
Vivian Perlis
Dreiblatt, Martha

Call Number: OHVI 923 a

Approximate Running Time: 45 mins

Transcript Page Count: 21 pages

[Aviary] OHVI 923 a

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series XX. Duke, John

Duke, John
Call Number: OHVI 944 a
Approximate Running Time: 12 mins
Transcript Page Count: 5 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 944 a

Northampton, MA

Richard Miratti
Series XXI. Engel, Lehman

Engel, Lehman
Call Number: OHVI 928 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 63 mins
Transcript Page Count: 27 pages

Aviary OHVI 928 a-b
New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series XXIII. Fine, Verna

Fine, Verna
Call Number: OHVI 931 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 72 mins
Transcript Page Count: 34 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 931 a-b
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis

1981 November 7

Fine, Verna
Call Number: OHVI 931 c-e
Approximate Running Time: 135 mins
Transcript Page Count: 82 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 931 c-e
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis

1987 November 9
Series XXIV. Fizdale, Robert

Fizdale, Robert
Call Number: OHVI 936 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 73 mins
Transcript Page Count: 25 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 936 a-b
New York, NY

William Owen
Foss, Lukas
Call Number: OHVI 948 a
Approximate Running Time: 41 mins
Transcript Page Count: 19 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 948 a
New Haven, CT
Vivian Perlis

1986 November 4
Series XXVI. Franchetti, Arnold

Franchetti, Arnold
Call Number: OHVI 927 a
Approximate Running Time: 40 mins
Transcript Page Count: 16 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 927 a
Lyme, CT
William Owen
Series XXVII. Friedman, Madeleine

Friedman, Madeleine
Call Number: OHVI 922 a
Approximate Running Time: 35 mins
Transcript Page Count: 20 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 922 a

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series XXVIII. Furman, Selma

Furman, Selma
Call Number: OHVI 909 a
Approximate Running Time: 43 mins
Transcript Page Count: 15 pages

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Ginastera, Alberto
Call Number: OHVI 946 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 70 mins
Transcript Page Count: 15 pages
[Aviary OHVI 946 a-b]
New York, NY
William Owen
Series XXXII. Gould, Morton

Gould, Morton
Call Number: OHVI 935 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 71 mins
[Aviary] OHVI 935 a-b
Great Neck, NY
William Owen

1982 April 23
Heinsheimer, Hans
Call Number: OHVI 921 a
Approximate Running Time: 33 mins
Transcript Page Count: 13 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 921 a
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis

1981 March 26
Series XXXVI. Johns, Erik

Johns, Erik
Call Number: OHVI 937 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 52 mins
Transcript Page Count: 14 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 937 a-b
Carmel, NY

William Owen

1981 November 3
Series XXXVII. Kober, John

Kober, John
Call Number: OHVI 919 a
Approximate Running Time: 23 mins
Transcript Page Count: 11 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 919 a
Garden City
Vivian Perlis

1981 April 22
Series XXXIX. Lang, Pearl

Lang, Pearl
Call Number: OHVI 945 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 55 mins
Transcript Page Count: 26 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 945 a-b
Vivian Perlis
Series XL. Lescaze, Mary

Lescaze, Mary
Call Number: OHVI 903 a
Approximate Running Time: 44 mins
Transcript Page Count: 21 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 903 a
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis
Series XLI. Lewis, Bobby

Lewis, Bobby
Call Number: OHVI 924 a
Approximate Running Time: 35 mins
Transcript Page Count: 14 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 924 a
New York, NY

William Owen
Marlin, Felice
Call Number: OHVI 918 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 44 mins
[Aviary] OHVI 918 a-b
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis
Mittenthal, Arnold
Call Number: OHVI 915 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 60 mins
Transcript Page Count: 23 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 915 a-b
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis

1981 January 15
Series XLVI. Moross, Jerome

Moross, Jerome
Call Number: OHVI 926 a
Approximate Running Time: 33 mins
Transcript Page Count: 11 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 926 a
New York, NY

William Owen
Series XLVII. O'Donnell, May

O’Donnell, May
Call Number: OHVI 950 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 94 mins
Transcript Page Count: 54 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 950 a-b

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series XLVIII. Orbon, Julian

Orbon, Julian
Call Number: OHVI 930 a
Approximate Running Time: 47 mins
Transcript Page Count: 20 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 930 a
New York, NY
William Owen

1981 July 9
Series XLIX. Palmer, Robert

Palmer, Robert  
Call Number: OHVI 941 a  
Approximate Running Time: 32 mins  
Transcript Page Count: 16 pages  
[Aviary] OHVI 941.a  

By telephone  

Vivian Perlis
Series L. Perry, Tod

Perry, Tod
Call Number: OHVI 955 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 93 mins
Transcript Page Count: 44 pages

West Stockbridge, MA

Vivian Perlis
Series LI. Pope, Stuart

Pope, Stuart
Call Number: OHVI 958 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 92 mins
Transcript Page Count: 45 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 958 a-b
New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series LV. Schuman, William

Schuman, William 1983 June 2
Call Number: OHVI 942 a

Transcript Page Count: 23 pages

[Aviary] OHVI 942 a

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series LVI. Shanet, Howard

Shanet, Howard
Call Number: OHVI 957 a-d
Approximate Running Time: 129 mins
Transcript Page Count: 51 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 957 a-d
New York, NY
Vivian Perlis

1987 November 17
Series LVIII. Siegmeister, Elie

Siegmeister, Elie
Call Number: OHVI 934 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 62 mins
Transcript Page Count: 26 pages
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Great Neck, NY

William Owen
Series LX. Sykes, Gerald

Sykes, Gerald
Call Number: OHVI 906 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 78 mins
Transcript Page Count: 30 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 906 a-b

New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Thomson, Virgil
Call Number: OHVI 902 a-b
Approximate Running Time: 56 mins
Transcript Page Count: 20 pages

Chelsea Hotel, New York, NY

Vivian Perlis
Series LXIII. Walker, David

Walker, David
Call Number: OHVI 959 a
Approximate Running Time: 6 mins
Transcript Page Count: 3 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 959 a
Weston, CT
Vivian Perlis

1988 September 27
Series LXIV. Warfield, William

Warfield, William
Call Number: OHVI 961 a
Date: 1989 February 8
Approximate Running Time: 25 mins
Transcript Page Count: 12 pages
[Aviary] OHVI 961 a

By telephone

Vivian Perlis

Warfield, William
Call Number: OHVI 961 b
Boston, MA

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Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library’s online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Occupations
Composers -- United States -- 20th Century

Subjects
Copland, Aaron, 1900-1990