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Guide to the Jack Mitchell Photography of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Collection

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Museum of African American History and Culture
Title:	Jack Mitchell Photography of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Collection
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Summary:	Jack Mitchell (1925- 2013) was an acclaimed photographer who began chronicling the work of the Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater in 1961. Alvin Ailey (1931- 1989), one of the most influential African American choreographers of modern dance, dedicated himself and his dance company to creating ballets that not only accelerated the careers of young African American dancers, but also stole the attention of national and international audiences in displaying the racial perspective of dance in the African American experience. This collection serves as Mitchell's documentation of the dance company's evolution while capturing the true idiosyncrasies and physicality of movement through still images. Through Alvin Ailey and Jack Mitchell's partnership, they were able to collaborate and produce a unique production of art, fusing the meaning and movements of dance and the techniques of photography.
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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Acquired from the Alvin Ailey Dance Foundation, Inc. in 2013.

Separated Materials

There were 3 inscribed copies of "Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater: Jack Mitchell Photographs" originally stored in the collection. One copy of this text can be found in Series IV: Reference Materials with the publication draft, another copy is housed in the National Museum of African American History and Culture Library, and the last copy has been designated to serve as an archival reference text.

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

Jack Mitchell was born on September 13, 1925 in Key West, Florida. Although he was not in the field of photography, Mitchell's father bought him his first camera when Jack was a teenager. His first published photograph was of actress, Veronica Lake, for a War Bond Tour, a tour issued by the government that promoted debt securities to soldiers to finance military operations and expenditures. He enlisted in the United States Army and became a photographer in Italy at the end of World War II. In 1949, Ted Shawn, a dancer and choreographer who is respected among the dance community as a pioneer of American modern dance, invited Mitchell to Massachusetts to photograph his dancers at his dance center, Jacobs's Pillow. It was during this time where Mitchell's interest and appreciation for moving bodies was realized. In the lifespan of his career, Mitchell created over 150 covers for Dance Magazine¹, the New York Times, Time, Life, Newsweek, Rolling Stone, Vanity Fair, and Vogue.²

As Jack Mitchell started to photograph the poses and ballets of the American Ballet Theater throughout the late 1950s, Alvin Ailey saw some of Mitchell's photographs. By 1961, Mitchell had established himself as a distinguished photographer of dance, coining the term, "moving stills". His photographs became the benchmark and standard that other dance photographers measured their work. In November 1961, Ailey invited Mitchell to a performance space in Clark Center, NY, and with his dancers, they performed for Mitchell's camera; some of the photographs from that first photo session can be found in this collection.

Alvin Ailey was born on January 5, 1931 in Rodgers, Texas, during the Great Depression. As his repertory reflected, the beginning of his life was defined by a tight-knit, predominantly African American folk culture. At age 12, Ailey and his mother, Lula Cooper, moved to Los Angeles, California. It is here that he was exposed to the Ballet Russe de Monte Carlo, which led him to study under the Lester Horton Dance Theater, where he danced with Carmen DeLavallade, James Truitte, and Joyce Trisler. After 3 years of performing and training, he was positioned as a choreographer and later became the director of the company when Lester Horton suddenly died in 1953. His influence from Lester Horton, Martha Graham, and Katherine Dunham helped to establish his philosophy that "Everything in dancing is style, allusion, the essence of many thoughts and feelings, the abstraction of many moments. Each movement is the sum total of moments and experiences".³ After Horton's death, Ailey went to perform at Ted Shawn's Jacob's Pillow Dance Festival, and then on to New York with his longtime schoolmate and fellow dancer, Carmen DeLavallade, to perform in the 1954 Broadway production of "House of Flowers". The Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Company was established in 1958.

From the beginning of his journey as a dancer and choreographer, Ailey wanted to show African American experience in his performances. He embedded folk culture in his early works "Revelations" and "Blue Suites". In reflection, before his first South Asian Tour, Alvin expressed, "The cultural heritage of the American Negro is one of America's richest treasures. From his roots as a slave, the American Negro- sometimes sorrowing, sometimes jubilant but always hopeful -has touched, illuminated, and influenced the most preserved of world civilization. I and my dance theater celebrate this trembling beauty."⁴ "Revelations" was well-received by

national and international audiences, Ailey recognized by the dance community as a choreographer with promise and his company and ballets he created were highly anticipated. By 1965, Ailey went from being a dancer to being the company's choreographer. From the onset, Ailey embraced diversity and invited interracial and interdisciplinary perspectives at of the company. He also created ballets for other notable companies including the American Ballet Theatre, Royal Danish Ballet, London Festival Ballet, the Joffrey Ballet, Paris Opera Ballet, and LaScala Opera Ballet.⁵ He was invited to choreograph Samuel Barber's *Anthony and Cleopatra* for the Metropolitan Opera at Lincoln Center in 1966⁶, and Leonard Bernstein's *Mass* for the Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in 1971.⁷

As the company embraced racial diversity, Ailey never lost his sense of obligation to the African American community. In 1969, he established the Alvin Ailey American Dance Center, which became the Ailey School, formed the Alvin Ailey Repertory Ensemble, and pioneered programs promoting arts in education, particularly those that benefitted deprived communities. Among his numerous distinctions were the Dance Magazine Award (1975), the NAACP Spingarn Medal (1976), given for "the highest and noblest achievement by an American Negro during the previous year or years"⁸, the Samuel H. Scripps American Dance Festival Award (1987), the most prestigious award for modern dance for a lifetime contribution to the field, the Kennedy Center Award (1988) and Honorary Doctorates from Princeton University (1972)⁹, Bard College (1977)¹⁰, and Adelphi University (1977). President Barack Obama posthumously awarded Ailey the Presidential Medal of Freedom in 2014, the country's highest civilian honor, in recognition of his contributions and commitments to civil rights and dance in America.¹¹

Through Jack Mitchell and Alvin Ailey's work, they were able to collaborate and create something "rich in historical connotations, the liveliest kind of permanent record of the works of important creators and creations that formed the nucleus of Ailey's remarkable vision of American dance and what it could be"¹². Alvin Ailey's reputation for creating eclectic dance methods produced movements and poses that are still studied and idolized today. Mitchell was able to pay homage to many of the world's best dance artists from James Truitte, Carmen DeLavallade, Dudley Williams, Donna Wood, Renee Robinson, Gary DeLoatch, as well as Ailey, through his photography. With Ailey's longstanding and established stature within the dance community, and Mitchell's pronouncement of the detailed through his use of lighting in his photographs, this collection highlights the incredible collaboration between Ailey and Mitchell, and serves as a unique document of one of the world's most renowned American dance company's.

Alvin Ailey's vision for a dance company was dedicated to enriching the American modern dance heritage and preserving African American culture. In a 1989 interview with Dance Magazine, shortly before his death, Ailey discussed how he took pride in knowing that "No other company around [today] does what we do, requires the same range, and challenges both the dancers and the audience to the same degree." Ailey searched for a collaborator that would help him display the value of communicative movement; he found his match in Mitchell. Ailey's influence went beyond the stage and Jack Mitchell's images in this collection document that evolution. With Alvin Ailey's passing in 1989 at age 58 and Jack Mitchell's death in 2013 at age 88, these photographs of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Collection serves as one of the few sources of this dynamic dance company, from its early days to an internationally recognized troupe.

Footnotes:

- 1) Jack Mitchell. *Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater: Jack Mitchell Photographs*. (Kansas City: Andrews and McMeel, 1993), viii
- 2) Bruce Weber, "Jack Mitchell, Photographer of the Arts, Dies at 88", *The New York Times Obituaries* (November 9, 2013): <http://www.nytimes.com/2013/11/10/arts/jack-mitchell-photographer-of-the-arts-dies-at-88.html>
- 3) Jennifer Dunning, *Alvin Ailey: A Life in Dance*. (New York; Addison- Wesley, 1996), 123
- 4) *Ibid*, 146.
- 5) Alvin Ailey, *Revelations: The Autobiography of Alvin Ailey*. (New York: Birch Lane, 1995), 6-7.
- 6) Alvin Ailey, *Revelations: The Autobiography of Alvin Ailey*. (New York; Birch Lane, 1995), 7.
- 7) *Ibid*.
- 8) *Ibid*.
- 9) Dunning, Jennifer. *Alvin Ailey: A Life in Dance*. (New York: Addison-Wesley, 1996), 286.

- 10)"Bard College Catalogue 2016-17: Honorary Degrees": <https://www.bard.edu/catalogue/index.php?aid=1205177%26sid=670501>
- 11)Office of the Press Secretary, "President Obama Names Recipients of the Presidential Medal of Freedom" (November 10, 2014): <https://www.whitehouse.gov/the-press-office/2014/11/10/president-obama-names-recipients-presidential-medal-freedom>
- 12)Jack Mitchell. Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater: Jack Mitchell Photographs. (Kansas City: Andrews and McMeel, 1993), ix.

Scope and Contents

The Jack Mitchell Photography of Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater Collection is comprised of approximately 10,000 black and white prints of solo and ensemble acts, portraits of principle dancers and various associates of the company, color slides and transparencies for private photo sessions and performances, black and white film strips and their corresponding contact sheets, and reference materials.

Arrangement

The material in this collection has been kept primarily at the folder level in the order that was declared by the initial owner and photographer, Jack Mitchell. Oversize prints were separated and housed in an associated series in the collection. The order of the material has been organized based on the medium of the material. Each subseries has been organized based on the following:

Series I: Black and White Prints Subseries A: Solo and Ensemble Images and Portraits were organized alphabetically by ballet name. Subseries B: Prints for Jack Mitchell Publication were organized by page number in the publication.

Series II: Color Photography Subseries A: Original Slide Boxes were organized numerically based on Jack Mitchell's label assignments. Subseries B: Color Slides were organized numerically based on subseries A's label assignments. Subseries C: Color Transparencies were organized numerically based on subseries A's label assignments.

Series III: Black and White Negatives Subseries A: Black and White Film Strips were organized chronologically by date. Subseries B: Contact Sheets were organized chronologically by date.

Series IV: Reference Material

OVERSIZE Series I: Black and White Prints were organized chronologically by date.

General

COLLECTION LIST OF FEATURED REPERTORY

After Eden, Archipelago, Been Here and Gone, Black Belt, Blues Suite, Butterfly, Caravan, Carmina Burana, Caverna Magica, Chelsea's Bells, Come and Get the Beauty of It Hot, Concert in F, Congo Tango Palace, Crossword, Cry, Dance at the Gym, District Storyville, Divining, Episodes, Escargot, Facets, Fever Swamp, Flowers, Folkdance, Fontessa and Friends, For Bird – with Love, Forgotten Time, Frames, Gazelle, Hermit Songs, Hidden Rites, Hobo Sapiens, How to Walk an Elephant, Hymn, Icarus, Journey, Jukebox for Alvin, Lament, Landscape, Mary Lou's Mass, Masekela Langage, Memoria, N. Y. Export, Op. Jazz, Night Creature, North Star, Opus McShann, Pas de Duke, Passage, Pigs 'n Fishes, Portrait of Billie, Prodigal Prince, Quintet, Rainbow 'round my Shoulder, Revelations, Rift, Roots of the Blues, Sarong Paramaribo, Satyriade, Seven Journeys, Shards, Shelter, Spectrum, Speeds, Streams, Suite Otis, The Beloved, The Lark Ascending, The Letter, The Mooche, The River, The Road of the Phoebe Snow, The Stack-Up, The Winter in Lisbon, Three Black Kings, Tilt, Toccata, Treading, Variegations, Vespers

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater
Choreography -- United States
Dance
Dance -- North America
Dance -- Production and direction
Dance companies
Dance schools -- United States

Types of Materials:

Dance photography.
Modern dance -- United States -- 20th century

Names:

Allen, Sarita
Chaya, Masazumi
DeLavallade, Carmen , 1931-
DeLoatch, Gary, 1953-1993
Jamison, Judith
Roxas, Elizabeth
Truitte, James
Tyson, Andre
Williams, Dudley, 1938-2015
Wood, Donna, 1954-

Occupations:

Dancers -- Photographs

Container Listing

Series 1: Black and White Prints

1.1: Solo and Ensemble Images and Portraits

Scope and Contents: Subseries 1: Solo and Ensemble Images and Portraits contains 133 11" x 14" solo and ensemble prints, portraits, and duplicate prints taken in Jack Mitchell's photography studio and onstage between 1961 and 1992, a handwritten letter from Alvin Ailey, dated March 24, 1975, and embedded digitized images of the prints.

Box 1, Folder 1	Note from Alvin Ailey, Mar. 24, 1975
Box 1, Folder 2	Company group photo annotated with names & note , 1993
Box 1, Folder 3	Test print of Company group photo, 1993
Box 1, Folder 4	Alvin Ailey with Eric Bruhn & Natalia Makarova, "The River", 1971
Box 1, Folder 5	Ballet Repertory Company: Masazumi Chaya , undated
Box 1, Folder 6	"Jacob's Pillow": Alvin Ailey & James Truitte, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	"Blue Suite": Desmond Richardson, David St. Charles, Carl Bailey, Kevin Brown, & Dereque Whiturs, undated
Box 1, Folder 8	"Blues Suite": Kelvin Rotardier & Loretta Abbott, 1967
Box 1, Folder 9	"Carmina Burana": Sara Yarborough, John Parks, Michihiko Oka, & Judith Jamison, 1973
Box 1, Folder 10	"Congo Tango Palace": company members, 1969
Box 1, Folder 11	"Cry": Deborah Manning, 1990
Box 1, Folder 12	"Cry": Debora Chase, undated
Box 1, Folder 13	"Cry": Judith Jamison, 1971
Box 1, Folder 14	"Cry": Judith Jamison, 1971
Box 1, Folder 15	"Dance at the Gym": Four couples, undated
Box 1, Folder 16	"District Storyville": Marilyn Banks & Wesley Johnson III, 1976
Box 1, Folder 17	"District Storyville": Marilyn Banks, undated

Box 1, Folder 18	"District Storyville": the company , undated
Box 1, Folder 19	"District Storyville": Alvin Ailey and the company, 1979
Box 1, Folder 20	"Divining": Judith Jamison rehearsing Masazumi Chaya & Donna Wood, 1984
Box 1, Folder 21	"Divining": Judith Jamison rehearsing Masazumi Chaya & Donna Wood, 1984
Box 1, Folder 22	"Divining": Elizabeth Roxas, undated
Box 1, Folder 23	"Episodes": the company, undated
Box 1, Folder 24	"Episodes": Dwight Rhoden, Renee Robinson, Desmond Richardson, & Debora Chase, undated
Box 1, Folder 25	"Episodes": Dwight Rhoden & Elizabeth Roxas, undated
Box 1, Folder 26	"Episodes": Debora Chase & Dwight Rhoden, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 27	"Episodes": Renee Robinson & Desmond Richardson, 1991
Box 1, Folder 28	"Facets": Judith Jamison, 1976
Box 1, Folder 29	"Fontessa and Friends": Don Bellamy & Renee Robinson, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 30	"For 'Bird'- With Love": the company, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 31	"For 'Bird'- With Love; the company & Gary DeLoatch on Chair, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 32	"For 'Bird'- With Love": Adrienne Armstrong & April Berry, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 33	"For 'Bird'- With Love": Danny Clark, Gary DeLoatch, & Carl Bailey, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 34	"Forgotten Time": Renee Robinson, Antonio Carlos Scott, & Judith Jamison, 1990, undated
Box 1, Folder 35	"Forgotten Time": Jonathan Riseling & Andre Tyson, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 36	"Frames": Michael Thomas, , undated, undated
Box 1, Folder 37	"Gazelle": Donna Wood, 1977
Box 1, Folder 38	"Hermit Songs": Alvin Ailey, 1961
Box 1, Folder 39	"Hermit Songs": Alvin Ailey, 1961

Box 1, Folder 40	"Hermit Songs": Alvin Ailey (cropped) , 1961
Box 1, Folder 41	"Hermit Songs": Alvin Ailey , 1961
Box 1, Folder 42	"Hermit Songs": Alvin Ailey, 1961
Box 1, Folder 43	"Hidden Rites": David St. Charles, 1990
Box 1, Folder 44	"Hidden Rites": Renee Robinson & Don Bellamy , undated
Box 1, Folder 45	"Hidden Rites": Nasha Thomas & David St. Charles, undated
Box 1, Folder 46	"Hymn": Debra Chase or Raquelle Chavis, Leonard Meek, Renee Robinson, Elizabeth Roxas, Desmond Richardson, undated
Box 1, Folder 47	"Lament": the company, 1985
Box 1, Folder 48	"Lament": Renee Robinson & Danny Clark, 1985
Box 1, Folder 49	"Lament": Renee Robinson & Danny Clark, 1985
Box 1, Folder 50	"Lament": Kevin Brown & April Berry , undated
Box 1, Folder 51	"The Lark Ascending": Elizabeth Roxas, 1986
Box 1, Folder 52	"The Letter": Carmen DeLavallade, 1961
Box 1, Folder 53	"Masekela Language": Elizabeth Roxas, Andre Tyson, Renee Robinson, Desmond Richardson, undated
Box 1, Folder 54	"Masekela Language": Renee Robinson, undated
Box 1, Folder 55	"Masekela Language: Andre Tyson, undated
Box 1, Folder 56	"Memoria": Don Bellamy & Dana Hash, undated
Box 1, Folder 57	"Memoria": Elizabeth Roxas, undated
Box 1, Folder 58	"The Mooche": Alvin Ailey, Judith Jamison, & Sarita Allen, 1975
Box 1, Folder 59	"Night Creatures": Judith Jamison rehearsing the company, 1990
Box 1, Folder 60	"Northstar": the company, undated
Box 1, Folder 61	"Northstar": Desmond Richardson, undated
Box 1, Folder 62	"Opus McShann": the company, undated

Box 1, Folder 63	"Opus McShann": Andre Tyson & Renee Robinson, undated
Box 1, Folder 64	"Pas de Duke": Desmond Richardson, 1991
Box 2, Folder 1	"Pigs and Fishes": Sarita Allen & Elisa Monte, 1982
Box 2, Folder 2	"Pigs and Fishes": Sarita Allen, 1982
Box 2, Folder 3	"Prodigal Prince": Miguel Godreau, 1967
Box 2, Folder 4	"Prodigal Prince": Miguel Godreau, 1967
Box 2, Folder 5	"Prodigal Prince": Judith Jamison in profile , 1967
Box 2, Folder 6	"Rainbow 'Round My Shoulder": Renee Robinson & Carl Bailey, 1989
Box 2, Folder 7	"Revelations": Judith Jamison , 1967
Box 2, Folder 8	"Revelations": Desmond Robinson, undated
Box 2, Folder 9	"Revelations": Dudley Williams , undated
Box 2, Folder 10	"Revelations": Michael Joy, undated
Box 2, Folder 11	"Revelations": Andre Tyson & Elizabeth Roxas, undated
Box 2, Folder 12	"Revelations": James Truitte & Joyce Trisler, undated
Box 2, Folder 13	"Revelations": James Truitte & Minnie Marshall , undated
Box 2, Folder 14	"Revelations": the company , 1991
Box 2, Folder 15	"Revelations": Don Martin, Ella Thompson, Alvin Ailey, Myrna White, James Truitte, Minnie Marshall, 1961
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Box 2, Folder 17	"Revelations": Don Martin, Ella Thompson, Alvin Ailey, Myrna White, James Truitte, Minnie Marshall, 1961
Box 2, Folder 18	"Revelations": Judith Jamison poses with Company, 1992
Box 2, Folder 19	"Rift": Leonard Meek & Nasha Thomas, undated
Box 2, Folder 20	"The River": Matthew Rushing, Roger Bellamy, Linda- Denise Fisher, & Johnathan Phelps, undated

Box 2, Folder 21	"The River": Matthew Rushing, Roger Bellamy, Linda- Denise Fisher, & Johnathan Phelps, undated
Box 2, Folder 22	"Roots of the Blues": Carmen DeLavallade & Alvin Ailey, 1964 Image(s): "The Road of the Phoebe Snow": James Truitte & Joyce Trisler
Box 2, Folder 23	"The Road of the Phoebe Snow": James Truitte & Joyce Trisler, 1961 Image(s): "Roots of the Blues": Carmen DeLavallade & Alvin Ailey
Box 2, Folder 24	"Roots of the Blues": Carmen DeLavallade & Alvin Ailey in Silhouette, 1961
Box 2, Folder 25	"Roots of the Blues": Carmen DeLavallade & Alvin Ailey under a ladder; Bruce Langhorne & Brother John Sellers on a ladder, 1961
Box 2, Folder 26	"Roots of the Blues": Carmen DeLavallade, Alvin Ailey in the Forefront, Bruce Langhorne, & Brother John Sellers, 1961
Box 2, Folder 27	"Shards": Andre Tyson & Dana Hash, undated
Box 2, Folder 28	"Shards": Desmond Richardson & Raquelle Chavis, undated
Box 2, Folder 29	"Shards": Desmond Richardson, undated
Box 2, Folder 30	"Shelter": Raquelle Chavis, Danielle Gee, Deborah Manning, Desiree Vlad, & Toni Pierce, 1992
Box 2, Folder 31	"Shelter": Raquelle Chavis, Deborah Manning, & Danielle Gee, 1992
Box 2, Folder 32	"Speeds": Deborah Manning, Gary DeLoatch, Deborah Chase, undated
Box 2, Folder 33	"Speeds": Masazumi Chaya, Neisha Foulkes, Deborah Manning, Ralph Glenmore, Deborah Chase, undated
Box 2, Folder 34	"Suite Otis": Five male dancers, undated
Box 2, Folder 35	"Suite Otis": Five males dancers , undated
Box 2, Folder 36	"Suite Otis": Carl Bailey & Marilyn Banks , undated
Box 2, Folder 37	"Three Black Kings": Dudley Williams, Clive Thompson, & Elbert Watson, 1976
Box 2, Folder 38	"Three Black Kings": Dudley Williams, Clive Thompson, & Elbert Watson, 1976
Box 2, Folder 39	"Three Black Kings": close-up portraits of Dudley Williams, Clive Thompson, & Elbert Watson, 1976
Box 2, Folder 40	"Three Black Kings": Dudley Williams, Elbert Watson, Clive Thompson, 1976

Box 2, Folder 41	"Treading": Carl Bailey & Deborah Manning, undated
Box 2, Folder 42	"Variegations": Joyce Trisler, 1964
Box 2, Folder 43	"Variegations": Joyce Trisler, 1964
Box 2, Folder 44	"Vespers": Adrienne Armstrong, Ruthlynn Solomon, Sharrell Mesh, Deborah Chase, & Neisha Foulkes, undated
Box 2, Folder 45	"The Winter in Lisbon": the company, undated
Box 2, Folder 46	Don Bellamy, undated
Box 2, Folder 47	Clive Thompson , 1978
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Box 2, Folder 49	Alvin Ailey Choreographing with Marilyn Banks, Dudley Williams, & Gary DeLoatch, 1988
Box 2, Folder 50	Alvin Ailey Choreographing with Marilyn Banks, Dudley Williams, & Gary DeLoatch, 1988
Box 2, Folder 51	Portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1962
Box 2, Folder 52	Portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1962
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Box 2, Folder 55	Portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1973
Box 2, Folder 56	Portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1973
Box 2, Folder 57	Portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1975
Box 3, Folder 1	Alvin Ailey & Lula Cooper, 1988
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Box 3, Folder 6	Alvin Ailey and Judith Jamison , 1968

Box 3, Folder 7	Judith Jamison in earrings from "The Mooche", 1979
Box 3, Folder 8	Masazumi Chaya Leaping, undated
Box 3, Folder 9	Masazumi Chaya, undated
Box 3, Folder 10	Close up of Judith Jamison, 1990
Box 3, Folder 11	Leonard Meek in profile, undated
Box 3, Folder 12	Gregory Stewart , undated
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1.2: Prints for Jack Mitchell Publication

Scope and Contents: Subseries 2: Prints for Jack Mitchell Publication contains 185 11" x 14" prints and duplicates made by Jack Mitchell and used in the 1993 book, "Alvin Ailey American Dance Theater: Jack Mitchell Photographs" with annotations, contact sheets, and embedded digitized images of the prints.

General: Box 6 Folders 27 to 30 are broken down segments of the entire Jack Mitchell publication in order by page number.

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Box 3, Folder 15	"Hermit Songs" at New York City Center: Alvin Ailey, 1961
Box 3, Folder 16	"Hermit Songs" at New York City Center: Alvin Ailey, 1961
Box 3, Folder 17	"Hermit Songs" at New York City Center: Alvin Ailey, 1961
Box 3, Folder 18	"Hermit Songs" at New York City Center: Alvin Ailey, 1961
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Box 3, Folder 21	"Roots of the Blues": Alvin Ailey & Carmen DeLavallade, 1961
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Box 3, Folder 28	"The Letter": Carmen DeLavallade, 1961
Box 3, Folder 29	"The Letter": Carmen DeLavallade, 1961
Box 3, Folder 30	"The Beloved": Carmen DeLavallade & James Truitte, 1961
Box 3, Folder 31	"Revelations": the company , 1961
Box 3, Folder 32	"Revelations": Alvin Ailey, Myrna White, James Truitte, Ella Thompson, Minnie Marshall, & Don Martin , 1961
Box 3, Folder 33	"Revelations": Minnie Marshall & James Truitte , 1961
Box 3, Folder 34	"Revelations": Minnie Marshall & James Truitte , 1961
Box 3, Folder 35	"Revelations": Alvin Ailey, Ella Thompson Moore, & Myra White, 1961
Box 3, Folder 36	"Revelations": Myrna White, Minnie Marshall, Ella Thompson Moore, 1961 Image(s): "Revelations": Alvin Ailey, Ella Thompson Moore, & Myra White
Box 3, Folder 37	"Revelations": Alvin Ailey, Myrna White, James Truitte, Minnie Marshall, Don Martin, & Ella Thompson Moore, 1961 Image(s): "Revelations": Myrna White, Minnie Marshall, Ella Thompson Moore
Box 3, Folder 38	"Revelations": Minnie Marshall, James Truitte, & Ella Thompson Moore, 1961 Image(s): "Revelations": Alvin Ailey, Myrna White, James Truitte, Minnie Marshall, Don Martin, & Ella Thompson Moore
Box 3, Folder 39	Frontal Portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1962 Image(s): "Revelations": Minnie Marshall, James Truitte, & Ella Thompson Moore
Box 3, Folder 40	Side-turned portrait of Alvin Ailey, 1962 Image(s): Frontal Portrait of Alvin Ailey
Box 3, Folder 41	"Revelations": Takako Asakawa, Hope Clarke, Lucinda Ransom, Joan Peters, Loretta Abbot (seated), 1964 Image(s): Side-turned portrait of Alvin Ailey
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Series 3: Black and White Negatives

General: The Black and White Negatives numerical assignments were given by Jack Mitchell. Each number was assigned based on ballets shot during specific photo shoots.

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Scope and Contents: Subseries 1: Black and White Film Strips contains the original black and white film strips from Jack Mitchell's photography of performances and studio sessions and embedded digitized images of black and white film strips.

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3.2: Contact Sheets

Scope and Contents: Subseries 2: Contact Sheets contains the contact sheets for the corresponding materials in subseries 1.

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Box 16, Folder 15 #5111: Black & White conversion negative of color transparency of Leonard Meek in "The River" from 1992 Poster, 1992

Box 16, Folder 16 #5112: Black & White conversion negative of Judith Jamison As Dancer with group in "Revelations" (1978); Judith Jamison with Dancers of "Revelations" (1992), 1992

Box 16, Folder 17 #5113: Entire Ailey Company with Judith Jamison & Masazumi Chaya, Jan. 1993

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