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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Benny Goodman Ephemera Collection
Date:	circa 1964
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0381
Creator:	Edelson, Rachel Goodman Brahms, Johannes, 1833-1897
Source:	National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Musical History
Extent:	1 Item (1 oversize file folder)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection donated by Ms. Rachael Goodman Edelson, and Benjie Goodman Lasseau, May 25, 1990.

Provenance

Collection transferred to the Archives Center from the Division of Music History (now Division of Cultural and Community Life).

Related Archival Materials

Related materials accessioned by Division of Musical History (now Division of Cultural and Community Life) as accession no. 1990.0058.

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Biographical Note

Goodman was a big band jazz musician and classically trained clarinetist who studied with James Sylvester and Franz Schoepp; toured Europe, Asia, North and South America, and Russia (1950-64). Recipient of 1982 Kennedy Center Honors Award for his major contribution to "big band" and "swing" jazz and its impact on 20th-century popular American music.

Scope and Contents

A poster documenting Goodman's 1964 tour to Japan and the published sheet music for Brahms's QUINTET FOR CLARINET IN A and SONATA FOR CLARINET IN B.

Arrangement

1 series. Unarranged.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Big bands
- Clarinetists -- 20th century
- Jazz musicians -- United States

Types of Materials:

- Broadsides -- 1940-1980
- Posters -- 1960-1980
- Sheet music

Names:

- Goodman, Benny (Benjamin David), 1909-1986
- National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Musical History

Places:

- Japan -- 1960-1970