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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	Alan Strauber Photoprints
<b>Date:</b>	ca. 1990-1999.
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0517
<b>Creator:</b>	Strauber, Alan (Photographer)
<b>Extent:</b>	0.2 Cubic feet (2 boxes)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	Forty-one black and white photoprints, most of which are portraits of jazz, blues, Cajun, and zydeco musicians, plus a few additional subjects.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Collection donated by Alan Strauber, 1994, December 21.

### Processing Information

Collection processed by David Haberstich, 2005.

### Preferred Citation

Alan Strauber Photoprints, 1990-1994, 1999, Archives Center, National Museum of American History. Gift of the artist.

### Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

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## Biographical / Historical

Alan Strauber is a photojournalist whose work has been published in The New York Times, the Philadelphia Inquirer, Gannett Suburban Newspapers, Downbeat Magazine, and AKC Gazette, among others. His work is in the collections of Yad Vashem (Jerusalem, Israel), the Delta Blues Museum (Clarksdale, Mississippi), and the National Baseball Hall of Fame (Cooperstown, N.Y.). Among his special photographic interests are the photography of jazz musicians, professional baseball, and politicians; examples are contained in this collection. His e-mail address is [meandgi@sabbatai.com](mailto:meandgi@sabbatai.com)

He is also a poet and art critic. An article by Mr. Strauber, "Art entices eyes, ears at Whitney Museum" from the Poughkeepsie (N.Y.) Journal, April 11, 2002, is posted on the World Wide Web at [http://cityguide.pojonews.com/fe/DayTrips/stories/dt\\_whitney\\_museum.asp](http://cityguide.pojonews.com/fe/DayTrips/stories/dt_whitney_museum.asp).

Mr. Strauber is mentioned in on a genealogical site listing his family background, posted in the "Phair Family Circle" at <http://www.geocities.com/hmshultz/phair.html>.

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## Scope and Contents

These prints are all on fiber-based paper, unmounted. The subjects include jazz, blues, and zydeco musicians, politicians, and baseball players in action. All prints copyright 1994 by Alan Strauber, except as otherwise noted, and signed and dated on verso. All are 8" x 10" except for the 11" x 14" prints in box 2.

The majority of the photographs depict musicians in concert, but additional subjects include professional baseball players, politicians like Jerry Brown, and built structures in the American South and at Ellis Island.

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## Scope and Contents

Subjects include Marie Laveau's tomb, Aaron Neville, Irma Thomas, Dr. John, Michel Doucette, George Porter, Aretha Franklin, Willie Dixon, Koko Taylor, Johnny Copland, Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, "Snooks" Eaglin, Robert Ward, Bo Diddley, Don Byron, Cajun dancers, David Duke, Jerry Brown, Boozoo Chavis, Terrence Simien, Chubby Carrier, C. J. Chevier, Dave Winfield, Rickey Henderson, Kenny Burrell, Robben Ford, Kenny Neal, Junior Wells, John Lee Hooker and Willie Dixon, a Mardi Gras "Indian," Walter "Wolfman" Washington, and Robert "Junior" Lockwood; Ellis Island; and "Little Wimp's Barbecue House."

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## Arrangement

1 series.

Arranged topically.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Baseball -- 1990-2000
- Baseball players -- 1990-2000
- Blues musicians
- Carnival -- 1990-2000 -- New Orleans (La.)
- Jazz -- 1990-2000
- Jazz musicians -- 1950-2000 -- United States
- Musicians, Cajun
- Zydeco musicians

Types of Materials:

- Photographs -- Black-and-white photoprints -- Silver gelatin -- 1980-2000

Names:

Bo Diddley, 1928-2008  
Brown, Jerry, 1942-  
Burrell, Kenny  
Duke, David  
Franklin, Aretha  
Winfield, Dave

Places:

Ellis Island (New York, N.Y.)

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## Container Listing

### 1: Jazz musicians

Box 1, Folder 1	Robert "Junior" Lockwood, Festival of American Folklife, Smithsonian Institution, Washington, D.C., SI 100, 1991
Box 1, Folder 1	Chubby Carrier, Philadelphia, Jambalaya Jam, SI 12, 1992

## Series 2: Jazz musicians, New York

Box 1, Folder 2	Aretha Franklin, Democratic National Convention, New York City, SI 19, 1992
Box 1, Folder 2	Michel Doucette [playing violin], Sounds of Brazil, New York City, SI 17, 1992
Box 1, Folder 2	George Porter, N.Y.C. [playing electric bass], SI 18, 1992
Box 1, Folder 2	Willie Dixon [at] John Lee Hooker tribute, Madison Square Garden, New York City, SI 20, 1990
Box 1, Folder 2	John Lee Hooker and Willie Dixon [at] John Lee Hooker tribute, Madison Square Garden, SI 102, 1990
Box 1, Folder 2	Boozoo Chavis [playing accordion], Central Park, New York City, SI 11, 1991
Box 1, Folder 2	Bo Diddley [playing guitar], Madison Square Garden, New York City, SI 26 SI copy negative no 96-3280, 1990
Box 1, Folder 2	Robben Ford [playing guitar], The Bottom Line, New York City, SI 106, 1993
Box 1, Folder 2	Kenny Neal, Lone Star Roadhouse, New York City, SI 107, 1992
Box 1, Folder 2	Junior Wells, Lone Star Roadhouse, New York City, SI 103, 1993

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## Series 3: Jazz musicians, Tramp's, New York

Box 1, Folder 3	Irma Thomas, Tramp's, New York City, SI 15, 1993
Box 1, Folder 3	Dr. John [playing piano], Tramp's, New York City, SI 16, 1992
Box 1, Folder 3	Johnny Copland [singing and playing electric guitar], Tramp's, New York City, SI 22, 1993
Box 1, Folder 3	"Snooks" Eaglin [playing guitar], Tramp's, New York City, SI 24, 1993
Box 1, Folder 3	Robert Ward, Tramp's, New York City, SI 25, 1993
Box 1, Folder 3	Terrence Simien [playing accordion], Tramp's, New York City, SI 13, 1992
Box 1, Folder 3	C. J. Chenier [playing accordion], Tramp's, New York City, SI 10, 1992
Box 1, Folder 3	Walter "Wolfman" Washington, Tramp's, New York City, SI 105, 1992

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## Series 4: Jazz Musicians, Wolf Trap, Vienna, Virginia

Box 1, Folder 4	Kenny Burrell [playing guitar], Wolf Trap Preservation Jazz Fest, Wolf Trap, Vienna, Virginia, SI 104, 1993
Box 1, Folder 4	Don Byron [playing clarinet], Wolf Trap, Vienna, Virginia, SI 27, 1993
Box 1, Folder 4	Clarence "Gatemouth" Brown, Wolf Trap, Vienna, Virginia, SI 23, 1993
Box 1, Folder 4	Koko Taylor, Wolf Trap, Vienna, Virginia, SI 21, 1993

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## Series 5: Jazz musicians, Louisiana

Box 1, Folder 5      Cajun dancers, Festival Acadian, Lafayette, Louisiana, SI 28, 1991

Box 1, Folder 5      Mardi Gras Indian, Jazzfest, New Orleans, Louisiana, SI 101, 1991

Box 1, Folder 5      Aaron Neville, New Orleans Jazzfest, SI 14

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## Series 6: Additional New Orleans Prints

Box 1, Folder 6      Joe Henderson, New Orleans [playing saxophone], 1995

Box 1, Folder 6      Branford Marsalis, New Orleans [playing saxophone], 1995

Box 1, Folder 6      Jimmie Vaughan, New Orleans, [playing guitar], 1995

Box 1, Folder 6      Archie Shepp, New Orleans [playing saxophone], 1995

Box 1, Folder 6      B.B. King, New Orleans [playing guitar], 1995

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## Series 7: Southern places

Box 1, Folder 7      Marie Laveau's Tomb, New Orleans, Louisiana, SI 30, 1992

Box 1, Folder 7      "Little Wimp's Barbecue House," Belzoni, MS, 1999

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## Series 8: Baseball

Box 1, Folder 8	Rickey Henderson, Yankee Stadium, New York City, SI 9, 1991
Box 1, Folder 8	Dave Winfield, Yankee Stadium, New York City, SI 8, 1991

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## Series 9: Politics

Box 1, Folder 8      Jerry Brown, 1992 N.Y. State Presidential primary campaign, New York City, SI 31, 1992

Box 1, Folder 8      David Duke and campaign workers, Cajun Festival, Lafayette, Louisiana, SI 29, 1991

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## Series 10: From "Ellis Island" Series

Box 2	Harbor Bell, Ellis Island, 1999
Box 2	2: [Laundry Dryer?] Ellis Island, 1999
Box 2	Mattress Sterilizer, Ellis Island, 1999

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