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Overview of the Collection
Title: John L. Rinn music collection
Date (inclusive): 1995-1998
Identification: SPC.00032
Arranger, compiler: Rinn, John L., 1922-2000
Physical Description: 3.3 linear feet 3 record storage boxes
Language of Material: Materials are in English.
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Abstract: This collection contains music arranged and collected by John L. Rinn. Approximately half the collection consists of barbershop quartet arrangements Rinn created for his quartet, the Rinntones. Other materials include piano arrangements of pop and jazz pieces; arrangement source materials; and miscellaneous music. Collection includes one of two cassette tapes containing Rinn's instrumental music.
Included title: Sheet music magazine,
Date: 1979, 1996-1997

Biography/Organization History
John L. Rinn (born Oct. 20, 1922; died Nov. 12, 2000) was a Sonoma County therapist and workshop leader. He founded and led the Sonoma County barbershop quartet, the Rinntones, which performed numerous of Rinn's arrangements of popular songs. Rinn also arranged and performed jazz and pop music for piano. Rinn served as a workshop leader for artist and dancer Anna Haprin's summer dance workshops at Sea Ranch in the late 1960s and early 1970s. (Source: Worth, Libby, and Helen Poyer. Anna Halprin, 2nd edition. Abingdon, Oxford : Routledge, 2018, page 70).

Scope and Contents
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Arrangement of the collection
Organization: arranged in 13 binders by type of music; provisionally organized into three boxes:
Box 1
Barbershop quartet and piano arrangements, 1995
Rinntones basic repertory, A-H
Rinntones basic repertory, I-Z
Rinntones advanced repertory
16th century counterpoint, 10th century pop, swing, bop
Rinntones basic repertory, May 1, 1998
Box 2
Barbershop quartet arrangements, 1995-1998
Micellaneous solos, duets and quartets
rehearsal notes and warm-up exercises
Piano solo scores
Jazz piano orchestrations, volume 1 (first computer songs: scores and tapes)
Access Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

Corporate Names
Rinntones (Musical group)

Topical Terms
Barbershop quartets (Musical groups)--California--Sonoma County
Barbershop quartets
Piano music, arranged

Genre and Format Terms
Scores
Archival materials

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