Guide To The Doug Russell Collection of Ambassador Recitals ARS.0054

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Doug Russell Collection of Ambassador Recitals
Dates: 1992-1996
Collection number: ARS.0054
Creator: KUSC (Radio station : Los Angeles, Calif.)
Collection size: 3 boxesSixty-three 10" open reel tapes ; one DAT
Contributing Institution: Archive of Recorded Sound
Abstract: The Doug Russell Collection Of Ambassador Recitals consists of recordings from the the public radio program "In Recital at Ambassador," produced by KUSC in Los Angeles. The program featured live performances of principally classical music from the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena, California.
Language of Material: English

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Biography
The Doug Russell Collection is named for B. Douglas Russell, director of marketing, publicity and promotion at the Ambassador Auditorium from 1990 to 1995, and acting director of Ambassador Performing Arts as the concert series unexpectedly concluded (the last concert occurred in May 1995).

Scope and Contents
The Doug Russell Collection of Ambassador Recitals consists of recordings from a series of 41 concerts at the Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena, California, selected from the series produced by the Ambassador Foundation. The tapes were produced by radio station KUSC in Los Angeles and edited for broadcast over the Public Radio International network as "In Recital at Ambassador," a program hosted by Beverly Sills. The performances were taped during the 1991-2, 1992-3, and 1994-5 seasons, and were broadcast from 1993 to 1995. Additionally, broadcast tapes of the 1993 Ivo Pogorelich International Solo Piano Competition Awards and unedited tapes of recitals by Jean-Bernard Pommier and Yevginy Mogilevsky were included with the donation. The 63 tapes contain performances of largely classical music, with some jazz and popular music. Performing artists include the Tallis Scholars, Jean-Pierre Rampal, Dave Brubeck, the Berlin Philharmonic Woodwind Quintet, James Galway, the Juilliard String Quartet, the King's Singers, and George Shearing. All tapes are broadcast-ready programs and contain splices between narration, selection, and station breaks. A comprehensive listing of the collection contents, including all works performed, is available.

Arrangement
Three record storage boxes containing twenty-one 10" open reel tapes each. Box 2 also contains a DAT tape. The tapes are roughly in chronological order. Most tapes are labeled with a number beginning with a "9" ; these are the IDs assigned to programs by KUSC. The first two numbers indicate the date of broadcast. Many programs are two reels long. They are labeled /1 and /2. A full list of contents is enclosed in Box 1.

Related Collections
The Archive Of Recorded Sound also holds the Ambassador Auditorium Collection (ARS-0043).

Indexing Terms
Ambassador Hall (Pasadena, Calif.). -- Archives
Russell, Douglas
Live sound recordings
Radio programs
Box 1

1. Tapes 9301 - 9312/1 1991-1993

Indexing Terms
Academy of St. Martin-in-the-Fields.
Barbosa-Lima, Carlos, 1944-
Bartoli, Cecilia
Brandenburg Collegium.
Burton, Gary
Daniels, Eddie
Empire Brass (Musical group).
Katz, Martin, 1945-
Mabee, Patricia
Miller, Mulgrew
Petri, Michala
Petrov, Nikolaï, 1943-
Philharmonisches Bläserquintett Berlin.
Popp, Lucia
Romero, Pepe
Tallis Scholars.

Box 2

2. Tapes 9312/2 ; 9313 ; 9401-9406 ; 9408-9413 ; 9501 ; 9502 ; 1 DAT dated 10-29-1992 1992-1995

Indexing Terms
Albert McNeil Jubilee Singers.
Allen, Nancy
Barrueco, Manuel
Bolkvadze, Eliso
Brandenburg Collegium.
Brubeck, Dave
Camerata Musica-Berlin.
Frank, Pamela
Galway, James
Gutiérrez, Horacio, 1948-
Juilliard String Quartet.
King's Singers (Vocal group).
McNeil, Albert
Musica Antiqua Köln.
Musici.
Oliveira, Elmar
Péña, Paco
Pedroni, Simone
Serkin, Peter, 1947-
Shearing, George
Yamashita, Kazuhito, 1961-
3. Tapes 9503-9513; 9601/2 (9601/1 is missing); 9602; two unnumbered (non-KUSC) 1994-1995

Indexing Terms
Barbosa-Lima, Carlos, 1944-
Bartoli, Cecilia
Beaux Arts Trio.
Douglas, Barry, 1960-
Hannibal, Lars
Israel Chamber Orchestra.
Jones, Warren, 1951-
Kottke, Leo
L.A. Guitar Quartet.
Mogilevskii, Evgenii, 1945-
Morris, James, 1947-
Okumura, Tomohiro
Pass, Joe, 1929-1994
Péña, Paco
Petri, Michala
Pommier, Jean-Bernard
Rampal, Jean-Pierre, 1922-2000
Ritter, John Steele
Romero, Pepe
Tallis Scholars.