La Jolla Civic-University Orchestra and Chorus Association Records

Descriptive Summary

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Arranged in four series: 1) CORRESPONDENCE, 2) BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATION, 3) SUBJECT FILES, and 4) PUBLICATIONS.

Administrative History

The La Jolla Civic Orchestra was founded in November 1954 by Peter Nicoloff, a violinist with a distinguished career in Europe. The La Jolla Civic Orchestra Association was incorporated in California on December 4, 1957. The Orchestra's mission was to advance public knowledge and appreciation of music. Thirteen years later, in 1967, the Orchestra added a permanent chorus and became the La Jolla Civic Orchestra and Chorus Association.

In 1972, the organization was renamed the La Jolla Civic-University Orchestra and Chorus Association to reflect its association with the newly-formed Department of Music at the University of California, San Diego. The University helped to increase and improve both the Orchestra's repertoire and size, providing new rehearsal space as well as new student musicians. The Orchestra, composed of musicians from the local area, UCSD students and faculty, is funded primarily by membership donations. Administration is carried out by a board of directors who serve on a volunteer basis. In 1994, the Orchestra’s name changed to the La Jolla Symphony and Chorus Association.

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Subjects and Indexing Terms

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CORRESPONDENCE

Scope and Content of Series

Series 1) CORRESPONDENCE: Primarily internal letters to or from various board members, documenting the Orchestra's activities and growth from 1965-1980. Arranged chronologically.

Box 1, Folder 1-4

Correspondence 1960, 1965-1980
BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATION

Scope and Content of Series

Series 2) BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ADMINISTRATION: Meeting minutes and related documentation (such as financial records, memoranda, and agendas) reflecting management and strategic planning for the organization. Includes a small sampling of committee files and grant applications with the city of San Diego.

Annual Meeting minutes 1971-1983
Annual Retreat 1997
Resolution to create Friends Group 1997
Vice-President's report 1978-1979
Miscellaneous administrative notes
Financial statements and reports 1972, 1988-1996

Committees

Committee assignments
Activities Committee 1969-1970
Concert Committee 1991-1993
Executive Board / Executive Committee meeting minutes and documentation 1973-1979, 1996-1998
Music Committee 1968
Nominating Committee 1970
Organization and Support (Ad Hoc) Committee 1977-1978
Publicity Committee 1976-1984
Scholarship Fund Committee 1974
Women's Committee 1965, 1980
Grants with the City of San Diego

SUBJECT FILES

Scope and Content of Series

Series 3) SUBJECT FILES: Arranged alphabetically by folder title. Summary information about the Orchestra's past repertoires and programs is located in the "Histories of the orchestra" file.

American Symphony Orchestra League - Conference Reports 1964-1981
Art-za-poppin 1974-1976
Audition fliers 1993-1996
Calendars of events and schedules 1972-1984
Choral activities 1977
Clippings (photocopied) - Publicity, programs, etc. 1955-1959
COMBO (Combined Arts of San Diego) 1970
Curtain Call Ball 1967
Graves, Clifford L. - Reminiscences 1985
Guestbooks
Histories of the orchestra

General note
Includes "The First Twenty Years: A History of the La Jolla Civic-University Orchestra and Chorus Association," by Clifford L. Graves; and a draft of a brochure with some historical summary, and Nee's response regarding the Association's relationship with the UCSD Department of Music.

Hudson, Martha. Anatomy of a "classic" orchestra ca. 1995
Box 2, Folder 31  Hurst Trust 1981-1987
Box 2, Folder 32  International Choral Kathaumixw 1992
Box 2, Folder 33  Jazz/Jazzart Festival 1978
Box 2, Folder 34  La Jolla Civic-University Symphony Day 1973
Box 2, Folder 35  La Jolla Fall Festival 1963-1964
Box 2, Folder 36  Librarian 1988
Box 2, Folder 37  Mailing lists 1970
Box 2, Folder 39  Membership materials
Box 2, Folder 40  The Mother of Us All - Publicity plan 1991
Box 2, Folder 41  Music-Go-Round 1969-1979
Box 2, Folder 42  Musicians’ Union contracts (Local 325, A.F. of M.) 1962-1966
Box 2, Folder 43  Nee, Thomas - Biography
Box 2, Folder 44  Picnic in the Park 1969
Box 2, Folder 45  Photographs of performances
Box 2, Folder 46  Photographs of performers 1993-1996

General note
Includes portraits of Chase and Nee.

Box 2, Folder 47  Prometheus production notes 1987
Box 2, Questionnaire responses - Chorus and symphony undated
Folder 48-49
Box 2, Folder 50  Rosters - Officers 1973-1983
Box 2, Folder 51  Rosters - Orchestra 1980-1983
Box 2, Folder 52  UC San Diego Department of Music - Operating relationship 1987-1988
Box 2, Folder 53  UC San Diego Department of Music - “History of the early years of the affiliation between La Jolla Symphony & Chorus and the Dept. of Music at the University of California, San Diego: 1967-1980,” by Julia S. Falk 2017
Box 2, Folder 54  Young Artist Opera Theatre
Box 2, Young Artists Competition 1980-1998
Folder 55-61
Box 2, Folder 62  Youth Talent Auditions 1969-1979

PUBLICATIONS

Scope and Content of Series
Series 4) PUBLICATIONS: Arranged alphabetically by folder title, and chronologically within sequences of similar materials. This series contains printed announcements, fliers, and programs for concerts, as well as invitations and layout proofs. Also included are incomplete runs of several newsletter titles created by the organization.

Box 3, Folder 1-2  Announcements and fliers 1961-1998
Box 3, Folder 3-4  Art-za-poppin 1971-1976
Box 3, Folder 5  Invitations
Box 3, Layouts
Folder 10-11
Box 3, Press releases 1972-1998
Folder 12-16
Box 3, Folder 17  Programs - Musical Arts Society of La Jolla 1957-1960
Box 3, Programs - Concerts 1966-1983
Folder 18-19
Box 3, Programs - Concerts 1968-1996
Folder 20-26
Box 3, Folder 27  Season brochures 1966-1998