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**Unit Date**

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**Language**

English .

**Abstract**

Promotional ephemera and photographs for opera, ballet, and musical performances.

**source**

Di Bonaventura, Sam

**Extent**

0.25 Linear Feet 1 box

**Physical Location**

R 73, C 3, S 3

**Repository**

George Mason University. Libraries. Special Collections Research Center

## Administrative Information

**Access Restrictions**

There are no access restrictions.

**Use Restrictions**

The copyright and related rights status of this collection have not been evaluated (See <http://rightsstatements.org/vocab/CNE/1.0/>)

**Acquisition Information**

Donated by Sam di Bonaventura.

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## Historical Information

Founded in 1969, the Public Broadcasting Service, more commonly known as PBS, is a private, nonprofit corporation and a provider of educational and non-commercial programs to public television stations across the United States. Programming includes news programs, documentaries, international and original scripted television, children's programs, and broadcasts of music, theatre, and dance performances. "Live from Lincoln Center," which began airing in 1976, broadcast performances from the Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts complex in New York City. Consisting of thirty indoor and outdoor facilities, Lincoln Center is home to several internationally recognized performing arts organizations such as the New York Philharmonic, the Metropolitan Opera, and the New York City Ballet.

## Scope and Content

Promotional ephemera and photographs for opera, ballet, and musical performances. Photographs are primarily promotional images for PBS broadcasts of "Live from Lincoln Center" and "A Lincoln Center Special" performances, "A Celebration for Handel and Bach" PBS/Philadelphia Singers, productions at the Seattle Opera and the Greater Miami Opera, and general promotional headshots. Ephemera primarily includes promotional materials, such as flyers and press releases, for opera and concert performances including PBS broadcasts of "Live from Lincoln Center" and performances at the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts and Carnegie Hall. Additional materials include general periodical clippings and promotional materials for individual artists and companies.

## Related Materials

The Special Collections Research Center holds other performing arts collections, such as the Mary Lavigne programs collection and Barbara Lustbader New York City playbills collection. It also holds the Sam di Bonaventura papers.

# Keywords

Ballet  
Music  
Opera  
Performing arts  
New York (N.Y.)  
Philadelphia (Pa.)  
Seattle (Wash.)  
Miami (Fla.)  
Photographs  
Live from Lincoln Center (Television program)  
Di Bonaventura, Sam  
John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts (U.S.)  
Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts

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# Arrangement

The collection is arranged by location, material type, and function.

# Description of Subordinate Components

## **Lincoln Center promotional photographs**

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/386916

**Unit Date** 1980s

**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

**Container** 1 (folder)

## **"Live From Lincoln Center" press releases**

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/386917

**Unit Date** circa 1980s

**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

**Container** 2 (folder)

## **General promotional photographs**

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/386918

**Unit Date** circa 1980s

**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

**Container** 3 (folder)

## **General promotional flyers and press releases**

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/386919

**Unit Date** circa 1980s

**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

**Container** 4 (folder)

**General periodical clippings and ephemera**

**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival\_objects/386920

**Unit Date** 1941, 1977, circa 1980s

**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

**Container** 5 (folder)

**Scope and Content**

Includes reviews for mezzo-soprano Elaine Bonazzi with inscription and signature by Bonazzi.