

**MRS. A.M. LAFEVER COLLECTION OF LECTURE AND CONCERT SERIES
PROGRAMS
Finding Aid**

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SUMMARY

Size	0.11 cubic feet
Geographic Locations	Edinburg, Texas
Inclusive Dates	1941-1946
Bulk Dates	1942-1945
Languages	English
Summary	Programs of lectures and musical performances, which were presented in the 1940s in either Edinburg or McAllen, Texas, are found in this collection.
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Related Collections	
Citation	Mrs. A.M. LaFever collection of lecture and concert series programs. Margaret H. McAllen Memorial Archives, Museum of South Texas History, Edinburg, TX.
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Stack Location(s)	RGDOC 46, B:2

SCOPE AND CONTENT

Programs of lectures and musical performances, which were presented in the 1940s in either Edinburg or McAllen, Texas, are found in this collection. Cultural Arts, Inc. of Edinburg sponsored most of the events, which took place in the Edinburg Junior College Auditorium. The speakers and performers were known across the nation at that time, and some were even known around the world. Most of the singers were affiliated with the Metropolitan Opera Association. Almost all of the programs have signatures. The collection contains two autographs that are not on programs.

The archives received the programs in an envelope that had been addressed to Mrs. A.M. LaFever of Edinburg. Two postmarks on the envelope are dated November 4, 1944 and February 23, 1983.

The programs were arranged in series by sponsor name with the two autographs making a separate series.

LIST OF SUB-GROUPS, SERIES, AND SUBSERIES

- I. Cultural Arts, Inc. (Edinburg, Texas)**
- II. The Civic Music Association**
- III. No affiliation**
- IV. Autographs**

INDEX TERMS

Autographs
Concert series
Concert series (Edinburg, Tex.)
Musicians—Autographs

The Civic Music Association
Cultural Arts, Inc. (Edinburg, Tex.)
Edinburg Junior College
General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus
Metropolitan Opera Association
The Nine O’Clock Opera Company

Adler, Lawrence Cecil (Larry), 1914-2001
Bampton, Rose, 1907-2007
Bartlett, Ethel, 1896-1978
Casadesus, Robert, 1899-1972
Colt, Ethel Barrymore, 1912-1977
Crooks, Richard Alexander, 1900-1972
Francescatti, René-Charles, 1902-1991
Furbay, John Harvey, 1903-1999
Kryl, Bohumir, 1875-1961
Menuhin, Yehudi, 1916-1999
Piatigorsky, Gregor, 1903-1976
Robertson, Rae, 1893-1956
Sayao, Balduino “Bidu” de Oliveira, 1902-1999
Shridharani, Krishnalal, 1911-1960
Templeton, Alec, 1909-1963
Tibbett, Lawrence Mervil, 1896-1960
Tomlinson, Edward, 1892-1973
Traubel, Helen Francesca, 1899-1972
Travers, Patricia, 1927-2010
Wilkomirski, Michael, 1901-1988

CONTAINER LIST

<u>Stack Location</u>	<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder(s)</u>	<u>Contents (with dates)</u>
B:2	RGDOC 46	1	Program: Kryl Symphony Orchestra, Bohumir Kryl, Conductor, December 10, 1941
		2	Program: Piano Recital by Ethel Bartlett and Rae Robertson, November 17, 1941
		3	Program: Bidu Sayao, leading soprano, Metropolitan Opera Association, February 6, 1942
		4	Program: Edward Tomlinson, Foremost Authority on the Other Americas, February 9, 1942
		5	Program: Lawrence Tibbett, World-famous Baritone of the Metropolitan Opera Company, February 26, 1942
		6	Program: <i>The Marriage of Figaro</i> , performed by the Nine O'Clock Opera Company, April 24, 1942
		7	Program: Larry Adler and Paul Draper, October 28, 1942
		8	Program: Dr. Krishnalal Shridharani, November 11, 1942
		9	Program: Rose Bampton, Leading Soprano, Metropolitan Opera Association, November 13, 1942
		10	Program: Zino Francescatti, world famous violinist, January 18, 1943
		11	Program: Dr. John Harvey Furbay, February 26, 1943
		12	Program: Richard Crooks, Tenor, Metropolitan Opera Association, March 8, 1943
		13	Program: Robert Casacesus, pianist, February 3, 1944
		14	Program: Ethel Barrymore Colt, "A Barrymore Sings for Her Supper," October 16, 1944
		15	Program: General Platoff Don Cossack Chorus, December 4, 1944
		16	Program: Helen Traubel, Dramatic Soprano, Metropolitan Opera Association, January 17, 1945
		17	Program: Gregor Piatigorsky, "World's finest cellist," March 16, 1945
		18	Program: Yehudi Menuhin, violinist, January 11, 1946

LaFever collection of programs
1941-1946, undated

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		19	Program: Patricia Travers, violinist, November 4, (no year listed)
		20	Autographs: Rubinoff and Harry Cowper White, undated
		21	Program: Michael Wilkomirsky in a violin recital, McAllen High School Auditorium, February 26, 1945
		22	Program: Alec Templeton pianist in concert, undated