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The Alice Rosalee Marshall Collection of materials on the National Convention of Gospel Choirs and Choruses (NCGCC) and other gospel-related sound recordings and ephemera, 1976-1997

EXTENT

13 boxes, 6.5 linear feet

COLLECTION SUMMARY

Alice Rosalee Marshall attended many of the NCGCC events, as well as churches in the Chicago area. She recorded services, revivals, and special events at local churches and at the NCGCC conventions. The collection consists of sound recordings on audiocassette of these events, church services, and choir rehearsals in addition to several official convention sound recordings. The collection also includes programs and ephemera from the conventions, correspondence, and related materials.

PROCESSING INFORMATION

Container list is at item level for audio recordings, folder level for ephemera and papers.

SCOPE & CONTENT/COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

The collection is divided into two series. The first series documents the NCGCC and includes both programs and other ephemera, and non-commercial sound recordings both from the official convention recording set, and from personal tape recordings. The container list is at item level for audio recordings, folder level for ephemera and papers.

Series II consists of materials generally documenting gospel music, church services, and other events, primarily in the Chicago area. The recordings are arranged alphabetically by speaker, church, or musical group name. Recordings from the Greater Metropolitan Missionary Baptist Church on the South Side are separated in Box 8, arranged chronologically. Box 9 and 10 are recordings from revivals and other services and events at the Riverside Church.

Recordings are mostly labeled at least at a minimal level; those without identifying notations are placed at the end of Series II in Box 13.

ARRANGEMENT

The collection is divided into two series:

1. **National Convention of Gospel Choirs and Choruses (NCGCC)-**
2. **Gospel music/ church services/events in Chicago area**

RELATED MATERIALS

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ACQUISITION SOURCE

The collection was received from Mr. Felton White, in 2002.

SUBJECT HEADINGS

National Convention of Gospel Choirs and Choruses, Gospel music, church services, Chicago, Illinois

ACCESS STATEMENT

The collection is open and available for research use.

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THE ALICE ROSALEE MARSHALL COLLECTION OF MATERIALS ON THE NCGCC AND OTHER GOSPEL-RELATED SOUND RECORDINGS AND EPHEMERA INVENTORY

Series I: NCGCC materials

BOX 1: Programs (documents)

- 51st convention, 1984, August 4–10. Buffalo, NY. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 52nd convention, 1985, August 4–9. Philadelphia, PA. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 53rd convention, 1986, August 3–8. Louisville, KY. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 54th convention, 1987, August 2–7. Nashville, TN. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 55th convention, 1988, August 7–12. Washington, DC. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 56th convention, 1989, August 6–11. Toledo, OH. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 57th convention, 1990, August 4–10. Birmingham, AL. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 58th convention, 1991, August 3–9. Miami, FL. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 59th convention, 1992, August 1–7. Winston-Salem, NC. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 60th convention, 1993, July 31–August 6. Chicago, IL. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.

BOX 2: Programs (documents), correspondence, ephemera

- 61st convention, 1994, August 6–12. Cincinnati, OH. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 63rd convention, 1996, August 3–9. Baltimore, MD. Plus 1 folder of ephemera.
- 1996, correspondence. 1 folder.
- 51st convention, 1984. Printed literature pouch/plastic envelope.
- 52nd convention, 1985. Printed literature pouch/plastic envelope.
- 55th convention, 1988. Printed literature pouch/plastic envelope.
- 58th convention, 1991. Flyer.
- Undated, ephemera. 1 folder.
- Undated, music and lyrics related to the conventions. 1 folder.
- Undated, button. “Support your local Sunday school.”

BOX 3: Sound recordings on audiocassettes. Some are part of the official set of convention recordings, some are on personal audiotapes. Chronological order.

- 1984 official: Keynote address, consecration service sermon, (2).
- 1984 personal: Illinois night, dated 17 July (?), labeled “Convention Jesse Jackson,” (2).
- 1985 official: Consecration service (1).
- 1986 personal: August 3, Sunday Morning, (1).
- 1987 personal: Mr. Gentry talk and consecration, Dorsey Day 3 o’clock, unidentified, (4).
- 1988 personal: August 7, August 8 consecration, August 9 Tuesday, Tuesday night Reverend Jesse Jackson, (4).
- 1988 official: August 9 Reverend Jessie [sic] Jackson, Part 1, Part 2, August 11 State of the Convention Part 1, (3).

BOX 4: Sound recordings on audiocassettes. Some are part of the official set of convention recordings, some are on personal audiotapes. Chronological order.

- 1988 official: August 11 State of the Convention Part 2, (1).
- 1990 personal: all are just identified as 1990 convention, with the additional annotation on one audiocassette “our song on this tape,” (4).
- 1991 official: August 6 President’s Night, set of (4).
- Undated, unidentified. Has official label, but no information.
- 1995 personal: may or may not be part of convention, August 8 “Miss. Quartet,” (1).
- 1996 personal: may or may not be part of convention, August 5 “Mass choir rehearsal,” (1).
- Undated personal: may or may not be part of convention, August 8 and 9 “Tuesday & Wednesday,” “Thursday,” (2).

Series II: Gospel- and church-related materials

Sound recordings – audiocassettes. Labelled, or notated, at least minimally. Speakers, musical groups, churches, arranged alphabetically, then chronologically (if dated). Larger sets of related tapes are boxed separately. Also small amount of print materials included with Series I materials in Box 2 (see below).

BOX 2: (Larger size) Print materials, ephemera

- Louisiana state map, circa 1970.
- 25 June 1988, clipping from *Chicago Defender*. Obit of Sallie Martin.
- 1988, Metropolitan Community Church flyer, 1 folder.
- 1990, Metropolitan Community Church ephemera, 1 folder.
- 1997, American Traditions Competition flyer, 1 folder.

BOX 5: Audiocassettes, A–Hi

- Beach Grove Gospel Singers. 18 March 1990 (1).
- Carter, Ric. Undated. (1)
- Coffs, Reverend. 16 May 1976 and undated (2).
- Collins, Reverend. February 1982 (1).
- Douglas Chapel. 25 October 1987 (1).
- Freeman Church. [“B” – Baptist?] 1 February 1987, Reverend Richardson. 3 December 1989, Reverend [illegible] Robinson, preacher. Undated, speaker not indicated (2).
- Graham, Billy. Undated (2).
- Greater Walter’s [AME Zion], October 1976, 3rd Sunday (1).
- Harrison (3). Dated 1981, 20 September 1989, and 4 July 1993.
- Hinman Chapel. Undated (1).

BOX 6: Audiocassettes, Hy–Robinson

- Hyman. 9 October 1983 (1).
- Jackson, Jesse. 19 July 1988 (1).
- Johnson, Thomas. 26 February 1984 (1), and undated (1).
- Leurs, Reverend Loudren. Undated (1).
- Liberty Church. 17 June 1984, “Ralley day” (1), and “Ralley day, McKnight & Thompson” (1). “Robinson first sermon,” undated (1).
- Mt. Carmel Family Day. 25 March 1990 (1).
- Mt. Pilgrim Church. 11 September 1955[?], Reverend Carrol (1), and 14 September 1987, Reverend Carrol (1).
- Nelson, Fred III & Temple Ensemble. 19 December 1993, “Joy To The World” (1).
- Pounds, Reverend. 1 February 1987, “Missionary” (1).
- Powell, Reverend E. Undated (1).
- Preston, Reverend. Gospel Choral Union, undated (1) and “Rev. Preston talking,” undated (1).
- Robinson, Reverend A. Undated, “Bible class” (1)
- Robinson, Reverend (no initial), “3-18 Bible Study,” undated (1).

Series II: Gospel- and church-related materials, continued

BOX 7: Audiocassettes, Robinson (M)–W

- Robinson, Reverend (no initial), 11 December 1983, Mt. Olive (1)
- Robinson, Reverend (M). Undated (3).
- St. Mary's (7 total). 22 September 1983, (1) plus another cassette side 1, with side 2: 17 April 1991, Reverend Thomas, "Let's Make a Deal" (1 side). 15 April 1984, "Choir Ann." (1), 18–19 September 1985, Reverend J. Robinson, Revival (2), 1987 Homecoming (1), 18 September 1988 Revival (1).
- Stanley, Dr. Charles. Undated, "Joshua" (1).
- Swaggart. Undated (1).
- Union Baptist Church. 18 March 1990, Reverend Sam Robinson (1), July 1992, Reverend White (1), and undated (1).
- Woodland Church. 15 July 1989, Reverend R. Veal (1). Side B is blank. 8 April 1990, Homecoming, Reverend Powell (1).

BOX 8: Audiocassettes

- Greater Metropolitan MB [Missionary Baptist] Church, Chicago, Illinois, 60637. Usually noted as "Met" or "Metropolitan."
 - 1974, "Metropolitan Easter" (1)
 - 22 December 1974 (1).
 - January 1984 (1).
 - 13 May 1984 (1).
 - December 1986, Met. Morning Service / Thelma (1).
 - 31 May 1987, Met. 5th Sunday Musical (1).
 - Two cassettes with printed labels from the "Audio Cassette Ministry", Metropolitan Outreach Ministries, 4100 S. King Drive, Chicago, Illinois, 60653: 2 April 1989, Reverend Perry (1), and 17 March 1990, Workshop Musical (1).
 - 12 April 1992, Sunday (1).
 - 26 April 1992, Choir's Musical (1).
 - 1994 Metropolitan's Woman's Day (2).
 - 22 December 1996, Christmas Service. "Audio Cassette Ministry of Rev. Leon Perry III" (1).
 - Undated, Met Choir (1),
 - Undated, Met concert (1),
 - Undated, Metropolitan Church Gospel Choir (1).
 - Undated, Met. evening Service-Wm. Cook Musical (1).

BOX 9: Audiocassettes

- Revivals—may be Riverside Church or others—chronological, 1983–1988.
 - 9 September 1983, Reverend Powell (1).
 - 12–13 April 1984, Reverend M. Robinson (2).
 - September 1985, Reverend Powell (1).
 - September 1987 (Tuesday–Wednesday), Reverend Williams (3).
 - 5–8 September 1988, Reverend Williams (4).

- Revivals—Riverside Church, 1985–1989.
 - September 1985, Reverend Powell (2).
 - September 1987, Reverend Williams (2).
 - 13–15 April 1988, Youth/Young People’s Revival, Reverend Gerard Robinson (3)
 - 4 September 1989, Reverend W. Carroll (1).

BOX 10: Audiocassettes

- Riverside Church, other services and events, dated 1987–1993 and undated. Alphabetical by event, then chronological.
 - 11th Anniversary, 7 July 1991 (2).
 - 12th Anniversary, 5 July 1992 (1).
 - Black History, 28 February 1988, Reverend Ricky Carter.
 - Homecoming, 1987 (1), 1 May 1988 (2), 6 May 1990 (1), 3 May 1993 (1)
 - Laying of Cornerstone, 1987. Alice Marshall Welcome Address (1).
 - Women’s Day/Men’s Day events
 - 28 June 1987, Women’s Day (1).
 - 27 March 1988, Men’s Day (1).
 - 25 June 1989, Women’s Day (1).
 - Undated, Men’s and Women’s Day (2).
 - Not event-related
 - Undated, Reverend Carrol (1).
 - Undated, just labeled “Riverside” (1).

BOX 11:

- Miscellaneous rehearsals, musical ensembles.
 - Gospel choir (2). Undated.
 - Musicals: December 1986 (1), undated (2).
 - Rehearsals:
 - 7 June 1994 (1).
 - Undated, 5th Sunday (1).
 - Undated, “Rehearsal and program” (1).
 - Undated, “Tuesday, our song” (1).
 - Undated, “Alice” (1).
 - Undated, “Rehersal” [sic] (2).
 - Undated, with song titles: I Belong to God, Abraham’s Seed (1), Guide My Feet, God’s Been Good to Me (1).
 - Undated, “Songs Part of Retreat” (1).

BOX 12:

- Miscellaneous church programs, events, and people. 1980–1992 and undated. Alphabetical.
 - Association, 16 November 1983 (1).
 - [illegible] River Baptist Association, 20 October 1985 (1).
 - Association, 18 October 1987 (1).
 - Business meeting, undated (1).
 - Family Day, 1980 (1).

- Galilee, undated (1).
- Homecoming, A. Marshall Mistress of Service (1).
- Pre-dedication New Church, undated (1).
- Sermon, undated (1).
- Witnesses, undated (1).
- Personal [?]
 - Fay, undated (1).
 - Family and Friend, 23 November 1992 (1).
 - Zola Johnson's Life, undated (1).

BOX 13: Unidentified audiocassettes (86 audiotapes). No labels or identifying markings.