### Musical Arts Society of La Jolla

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#### **Descriptive Summary**

Title: Musical Arts Society of La Jolla

Dates: 1941 - 1995

Collection Number: RG005.62

Creator/Collector: La Jolla Historical Society

Extent: .5 linear feet

Repository: La Jolla Historical Society, La Jolla, California 92037

**Abstract:** The Musical Arts Society of La Jolla Collection is made up of archival material, photographs and ephemera pertaining to the Society which was incorporated in 1941. The goal was to bring chamber music to La Jolla under the baton of Dr. Nikolai Sokoloff. Concerts were given in the auditorium of La Jolla High School. This material pertains to the history and heritage of La Jolla, California; its people, places and events. A container list is included on the PDF and HTML versions.

Language of Material: English

Access: The Collection is open for research

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**Acquisition Information: RG005.62** 

**Biography/Administrative History:** The La Jolla Historical Society inspires and empowers the community to make La Jolla's diverse past a relevant part of contemporary life.

The La Jolla Historical Society's Collections encompass over 80 years of actively collecting archival material, books, maps, scrapbooks, ephemera, fine art, newspapers, street and land use files, business and personal documents and historic and archaeological artifacts. The Society boasts over 20,000 photographs, over 1000 postcards, 400-plus architectural drawings and approximately 200 oral history recordings.

Collecting was initiated by Howard Randolph and volunteers on the historical committee of the Library Association of La Jolla. The Collection began by gathering photographs and documentation in the late 1930s, which later became the nucleus of the La Jolla Historical Society's Collections. The Society was created in 1963.

Through many moves in location the Society continued collecting and expanding. Accumulated Collections took on its current construct in 2010 after the renovation of the La Jolla Historical Society's campus of structures in central La Jolla, which consists of the 1904 Wisteria Cottage and 1940s Balmer Annex used for exhibits and programming, and a 1909 cottage used for business and research offices. The late Ellen Browning Scripps' 1916 automobile garage was also renovated and now houses the Collection in a modern collections storage facility. Materials are housed in archival boxes, sleeves, envelopes and other archival-safe materials and are cared for according to standards and best practices of the museum profession. In 2016, the Society initiated new PastPerfect Museum Software to manage and catalog its Collections and in 2018 started using the Online Archive of California to upload searchable information from its

Collections to enable improved public access. The Society will continue these processes and look forward to utilizing new opportunities to collect, preserve and share the history of La Jolla.

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### RG005 – Subject Files Collection Box 62 – Musical Arts Society of La Jolla

<b>Musical Arts</b>	(Currently known as the La Jolla Music Society)
Society of La	
Jolla -	
<b>Container:</b>	Box, files
	Programs. Series of concert programs by the Musical Arts Society of La
	Jolla. Date ranges from 1942-45, 1947-58, and 1960-68.
Documents	
	Document. (Includes copy) "Musical Arts Society of La Jolla" List of
	conductors and their works commissioned by the Men's Advisory Board
	between 1949 and 1968.
	Document. Lyrics and quotes from James Thomas, William Shakespeare,
	Robert Burns, Emily Dickinson, Edna St. Vincent Millay, and Percy Bysshe
	Shelley. Found in 1964 program.
	Report. "Annual Report: art center in la jolla" 1958.
	Booklet. "The Library Association of La Jolla By-Laws" June 30, 1967.
	Tickets. Two adult season tickets to the "Music in July" concerts. 1968.
	Check. Blank check addressed to the Musical Arts Society of La Jolla.
	1954.
	Newsletter. (San Diego Symphony News) "Orchestra Issue" Vol. I. No. 3.
	November 1965.
	Newspaper. (2 Copies) (Esther Pricer) "Music Plays Vital La Jolla Role"
	October 21, 1971.
	Photograph. (Copy) Portrait of Dr. Nicolai Sokoloff of the La Jolla Civic
	Orchestra during the Memorial Concert. May 24, 1970.
	Newspaper. "Soloist Sunday Evening" "October 30, 1960".
	Newspaper. (Copy) (San Diego Union) "San Diego Obituaries: Mrs.
	Sokoloff, Music Patroness, Dies In La Jolla" July 21, 1955.
	Newspaper. (Arian E. Collins) (La Jolla Light) "Singers like 'in-between'
	repertoire" February 9, 1995.
	Newspaper. (La Jolla Journal) "Dr. Nikolai Sokoloff Is Preparing Musical
	Arts Concerts For 1960" December 31, 1959.
	Newspaper. (Elizabeth N. Cope) "Musical Arts Society Adds To La Jolla's
	International Fame" "March 11, 1961".
	Newspaper. "Soloist Sunday Night With Orchestra" "February 26,
	1961".
	Newspaper. (Alan M. Kriegsman) (San Diego Union) "Musical Arts To
	Offer Chamber Fare Tonight" July 11, 1965.
	Newspaper. (Alan M. Kriegsman) (San Diego Union) "Not So Informal:
	Chamber Music Evening Divided" "July 13, 1965".
	Newspaper. (La Jolla Light) "Musical Arts Review July Concerts" "August

	24, 1967".
	Newspaper. (Donald Dierks) (San Diego Union) "La Jolla Concert Series: Musical Arts July Season Opens" July 1, 1968.
	Newspaper. (La Jolla Light) "Musical Arts Society to Open Five-Concert Season June 30" "May 30, 1968".
	Newspaper. (Includes copy) (Donald Dierks) (San Diego Union) "'Music In July' Ends On Varied Note" July 30, 1968.
	Newspaper. (Donald Dierks) (San Diego Union) "Four-Hands Piano
	Concert Brilliant" "July 15, 1968".  Newspaper. (La Jolla Light) "Coming Back by Boat" "May 15, 1952".
	Newspaper. "last Musical Arts Concert Here Sunday" August 16, 1951.
	Newspaper. (Charles H. Marsh) (La Jolla Light) "Recent Musical Arts Series in La Jolla Most Important" September 7, 1950.
	Newspaper. (Charles H. Marsh) (La Jolla Light) "Musical Arts Series to Close Sunday" "August 16, 1952".
Programs	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
	Program. La Jolla Opera Society. Event planned for January 14, 1927.
	Program. The Scottish Rite Bodies of San Diego presenting the Chaffey College Symphonic Choir. Event planned for March 23, 1947.
	Program. The Glee Club of The Bishop's School. Event planned for May 7, 1955.
	Program. (2 Duplicates) The sponsors of Scripps College present the Scripps Chamber Music Players Event planned for October 17, 1951.
	Program. The Friends of Music present the Friends of Music Quartet. Events planned for April 4-5, 1947.
	Program. The Friends of Music present the Friends of Music Quartet. Events planned for February 13 and 15, 1948.
	Program. The Friends of Music present the Friends of Music Quartet. Events planned for November 19 and 23, 1948.
	Program. (3 Duplicates) The Friends of Music present the Friends of Music Quartet. Events planned for February 11 and 15, 1949.
	Program. (2 Duplicates) The Friends of Music present the Friends of
	Music Quartet. Events planned for March 3-4, 1950.  Program. "Edgar Lustgarten Master Class Recital" Event planned for July
	16, 1961. Program. La Jolla Civic Orchestra plan concerts in honor of Dr. Nikolai
	Sokoloff. Event planned for May 24, 1970.  Program. Concert hosted by the La Jolla Civic Orchestra. Event planned for October 30, 1960.
	Program. Concert hosted by the La Jolla Civic Orchestra. Event planned for February 26, 1961.
	Program. Concert hosted by the La Jolla Civic Orchestra. Event planned for October 29, 1961.
	Program. (2 Duplicates) The University of California, San Diego and the Committee for Arts and Lectures present the Berlin Philharmonic Octet.

# Container List

Event Planned for November 2, 1967.
Program. The University of California, San Diego present the Paganini
Quartet. Event planned for June 2.
Program. Presenting the Los Angeles Philharmonic Orchestra. Event
planned for March 23, 1968.
Program. (2 Duplicates) Presenting the Los Angeles Philharmonic
Orchestra. Event planned for April 20, 1966.
Program. La Jolla Music Guild presents the Sherwood Hall Chamber
Orchestra. Includes translated music lyrics. Event planned for April 17,
1966.
Program. La Jolla Music Guild presents the Sherwood Hall Chamber
Orchestra. Event planned for March 13, 1966.
Program. La Jolla Music Guild presents the La Jolla Chamber Orchestra.
Event planned for February 26, 1967.
Program. (7 Duplicates) "Post Impressionists" Exhibition by the Art
Center in La Jolla. Open August 7-September 25, 1955.
Program. (9 Duplicates) "Art Center's Winter Concert Series" Event
planned for January 17, 1960.
Program. "Art Center in La Jolla Winter Concert Series" Event planned for
February 14, 1960.
Program. The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Modern Arts Spring
Quartet. Event planned for June 10.
Program. The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Friends of Music Quartet. Event planned for September 28, 1951.
Program. (2 Duplicates) The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Friends of
Music Quartet. Event planned for October 17, 1952.
Program. The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Carlos Mullenix Modern
Arts Ensemble. Event planned for April 24, 1953.
Program. The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Franklin P. Sherwood
Concert Series by the Los Angeles Piano Quartet. Event planned for
January 29, 1956.
Program. The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Franklin P. Sherwood
Concert Series. Event planned for February 19, 1956.
Program. The Art Center in La Jolla presents the Franklin P. Sherwood
Concert Series. Event planned for December 23, 1956.
Program. (Copy) Cover of the "Musical Arts Society of La Jolla: Series of
Five Concerts". Events from June 18-August 13, 1950.