Overture Concert Association Fonds

Originals, 1958-197, 3cm

Scope and Content:

Programs and other documents relating to the concerts held by the Overture Concert Association in Northwestern Ontario between 1958 and 1967.

E 97/1/1: Programmes, 1958-1966, 2cm

Programmes for the quarterly (1958-1964) or tri-annual (1964-1966) concerts hosted by the Overture Concert Association. Location of concerts is listed on programmes.

E 97/2/1-2: Miscellaneous, 1958-1967, 1cm

Other documents includes lists of all concerts hosted between 1958 and 1967, information about the availability of different artists, forms for requesting different artist, what may be sample programmes from other regions, and similar documents. Also includes a guestbook for performers.

Organizational Sketch:

The Overture Concert Association was begun in Nelson BC in 1955 to provide musical performances in small isolated communities. Concentrated in the west and north of Canada, the group was active in Northern Ontario. Roughly half of the performers who worked with the organization were Canadian. It eventually grew to be the largest musical tour planning organization in Canada. This collection had belonged to Wilda G. Lowcock, the secretary of the Lakehead Overture Concert Association, and was compiled by Dolores Dickey.