

GUIDE TO THE MARIAN MCPARTLAND COLLECTION



Collection Abstract: Materials pertaining to the career of jazz musician Marian McPartland (1918-2013). Includes photographs, posters, programs, CDs and LPs, awards, and other ephemera.

Collection Title: Marian McPartland Collection

Inclusive Dates: ca. 1940-2000

Size: 5 boxes (3.79 l.f.)

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BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE:

This collection focuses on Port Washington resident, Marian McPartland (1918-2013), a world-renowned jazz musician, pianist, composer, and author who lived on Derby Road. Originally from England, in 1970 McPartland founded Halcyon Records, a recording company that produced records for ten years. Her National Public Radio (NPR) series *Piano Jazz* won numerous awards and included several famous guests such as Tony Bennett and Rosemary Clooney. In 1987, she wrote *All in Good Time*, a collection of portraits of colleagues. In 2004, she was given a Grammy for lifetime achievement.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

The collection (ca. 1940-2000) consists of photographs, mostly promotional, her book, *All in Good Time*, calendars, programs, posters, event invitations, and other paper ephemera, CDs, LPs, and awards.

BOX LIST:

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Content</u>
1	1	(5) b/w 8x10 promo photos (3) color 8x10 promo photos (1) 4x6 promo photo (2) 4x6 photos of Schreiber High School band director, 1991 with note (1) 4x6 photo of Kristin Kovner, student at Schreiber High School, 1998 with note (3) 4x6 photos of McPartland performing at Schreiber High School, 1994 (4) 4x6 photos of Port Washington Library Concert, 2003 (1) 4x6 photo of Long Island School Concert, 1970s (1) b/w 8x10 photo taken with Oscar Hammerstein (on right) ca. 1940 (1) b/w 8x10 photo with Tony Bennett on Mike Doyle Show, late 1960s (1) b/w 8x10 photo taken with John Bass and Richard De Rosa (1) b/w 8x10 photo of McPartland teaching a workshop at Eastman in Rochester NY in the 1970s
2		Catalog brochure of McPartland's records Booklet titled <i>The Untold Story of the International Sweethearts of Rhythm</i> written by Marian McPartland in 1980 (8 pgs.) Papers on Radio Program of Marian McPartland's <i>Piano Jazz: Season XII 1990</i> Newspaper titled <i>Jazz Times</i> with McPartland on front cover, Jan. 1981 Notecard from Mark Fichman, 1992 Program titled <i>Piano Jazz: Public Radio Series</i>

Invitation to Port Washington Library Foundation Fifth Inspiration Gala featuring McPartland, Oct. 4, 2008

Concert Program: *Remembering Marian: A Celebration of the Music and Life of Marian McPartland*, Mar 20, 2014

Long Island Jazz Festival program, July 28-30, 1995

Music written for McPartland, *Lime Rock: Jazz Band Specials*, by John Burr
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- 3 (2) Advertisement posters [facsimiles - originals in oversized box]
- All in Good Time* by Marian McPartland, 1987
- 4 Photograph of Jimmy McPartland, Louis Armstrong and Muggsy Spanier
Marian McPartland with Wynton Marsalis/Marian McPartland with Andre Previn
for Marian McPartland's *Piano Jazz Season XIV*
(3) photographs of Marian in her studio
- 5 "In celebration of Jimmy McPartland," May 23, 1991
(5) Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz: Swing into the New Year: NPR release,
January 3, 2006
(2) Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz: Silver Anniversary Piano Jazz at 25: NPR
release, March 30, 2004
(2) Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz: The Stars Shine Bright on Piano Jazz: NPR
release July 4, 2006
(3) Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz: Fall in Love with Piano Jazz
- N/A Six-inch crystal trophy shaped like a book from the Port Washington Public
Library Foundation presented to McPartland as a community leadership award (in
a decorative box)
- 2 N/A Four LP albums:
- Marian McPartland Plays the Music of Alec Wilder
 - Interplay
 - Marian McPartland At the Festival
 - Marian McPartland Plays the Music of Leonard Bernstein
- 3 N/A Marian McPartland Compact Discs (CDs)
- (3) Marian McPartland. (1990?). *Marian McPartland: solo concert at Haverford: recorded live at Haverford College April 12th 1974* [Album].
 - (1) Marian McPartland. (1980). *Marian McPartland at the Hickory House* [Album].
 - (1) Marian McPartland. (1981?). *Marian McPartland's PIANO JAZZ with guest Alice Coltrane (Recorded December 4, 1981)* [Album].
 - (1) Marian McPartland (1985?). *Marian McPartland's PIANO JAZZ with guest Henry Mancini (Recorded March 14, 1985)* [Album].

- (1) Marian McPartland (2003?). *Marian McPartland's PIANO JAZZ with guest John Medeski (recorded July 7, 2003)* [Album]
- (1) Marian McPartland (1989?). *Marian McPartland's PIANO JAZZ with guest Led McCann (Recorded September 27, 1989)* [Album]
- (1) Marian McPartland (1984?). *Marian McPartland's PIANO JAZZ with guest Shirley Horn (recorded December 11, 1984)* [Album]
- (1) Marian McPartland (1978?). *Marian McPartland's PIANO JAZZ with guest Teddy Wilson (recorded November 5, 1978)* [Album]

Other Artists: Inscribed/Signed CDs

- Alan Broadbent/Gary Foster (1993). *Alan Broadbent / Gary Foster recorded live at Maybeck recital Hall* [Album]. Inscribed: "July 1993 For Marian- From a fan! With respect and warmest regards. Gary Foster"
- Barry Elmes Quintet (2001). *The Five Minute Warning* [Album]. Inscribed: "Dear Marian: What a pleasure to play with you again! Barry Elmes"
- Bill Dobbins (1992). *Preludes & Predilections: Volume 1: Advance Music* [Album]. Inscribed: "for Marian: Looking forward to our next meeting! Love Bill".
- Billy Childs Ensemble (2004). *Billy Childs Ensemble Jazz - Chamber Music Vol.1* [Album]. Inscribed: To Marian, Thank you so much for you beautiful Spirit. Billy Childs
- Denny Zeitlin Trio (1998). *As Long as There's Music* [Album]. Inscribed: For Marian, With much affection. Denny
- Harry Goldson Jazz Ensemble (2002). *Never So Cool* [Album]. Inscribed: To Marian McPartland, the "Ture" "First Lady of Jazz" =-) Harry Goldson
- Jessica Williams Trio (1994). *Momentum* [Album]. Inscribed: To Marian - with love & admiration - Jessica Williams
- Johnny Mandel (2010). *The Man and His Music* [Album]. Inscribed: To Lady Merkin, from Mr. Muffley
- Mario Grigorov (1994) *Rhymes with Orange* [Album]. Inscribed: To Marian - Thank you for the opportunity (written in reverse on the opposite side)
- Pete Malinverni (1997). *This Time* [Album]. Inscribed: To Marian With thanks for encouragement many years ago, and for weekly inspiration and affirmation. Pete Malinverni 1/98
- Ruben Brown Trio (1994). *Ice Scape: Rufus Reid • Billy Hart* [Album]. Inscribed: To Marian McPartland - I thought you might like to hear this one - Love and Peace Ruben

Other Artists: Not Inscribed

- Peggy Lee (1979). *Close Enough for Love* [Album].

4 N/A A Song I Can See: Great Women in Jazz/Polaroid 8x10 Color Portraits by Barbara Bordnick/January 1979-January 1980 Calendar. [McPartland featured in March 1979]

Grande Parade Du Jazz/Célébration du Jazz Traditionnel/30 orchestres/250 musiciens/tous les jours dec17 a 24 h. / Nice, 15.21 Julliet 1974
Women in Jazz/Marian McPartland ▪Judy Roberts▪ Nadine Jansen/Phoenix Symphony Hall ▪ 225E. Adams ▪ Sunday, October 23, 1988, 7:00PM

- 1 Poster: The Piano Artistry of Marian McPartland
Poster: Carnegie Hall: The Music and The Tradition Continue/New York Pops/
Skitch Henderson, Founder and Music Director/Marian McPartland/Walt
Levinsky and the Great American Swing Band/Friday January 13, at 8:00PM

- 2 Program for *Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz* Season VI
Photo of Eubie Blake and Marian McPartland
Mounted photo of McPartland playing guitar
Mounted photo of McPartland playing guitar with a saxophone player
Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz Season VII: photos of McPartland with “Miss
Sassy” Sarah Vaughan and Max Morath
Photo of McPartland, unnamed man and Billie Holliday
Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz Season VI: photos of McPartland with Henry
Mancini and Carmen McRae
Signed photo of Carmen McRae with Marian McPartland
(2) photos of Marian McPartland: *Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz*/What stations
are saying about Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz...
Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz Season VI: McRae/Mancini backgrounder
Marian McPartland's Piano Jazz Season VI: Program Descriptions

- 5 N/A 3.5 x 5” crystal award from the Phoenix Society at the University of Chicago