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Niveau de description: Fonds

Collation: 0.7 metres of textual records. - 9 photographs. - 6 sound elements. - 7 compact discs (CD-ROM).

Portée et contenu:

4 photos, 3 programs, 4 song booklets, 2 clippings, 1 manuscript, music, Gradnor choir: photo, music, programs. Bnai Jacob syn. choir photo, photo-gypsy-style singers incl. Kronick, A. Mills, J. Brown. Bio.info, song by K.K. Additton 2007: 10 cm. of Ralph Kronick's hand-written musical scores for the Beth Ora synagogue choir, including some duplicate copies (after sorting, some could be distributed elsewhere if redundant.) 5 photos and several Polish letters from the 1920s and 1930s, sent by relatives. 2 original Polish emigration documents of Kusiel's brother Fischel. Copies of landing information on Kusiel and his wife and children, including Ralph. CD of Ralph Kronick's eulogy at Paperman's Funeral Home in March 2006, with cantors A. Subar (Beth Ora) and Gideon Zelermyer (Shaar Hashomayim). 50th anniversary of Beth Ora Synagogue 2 CD set, and 4 CD set of the concert 40 Years of Chazanut in Montreal, featuring several Montreal cantors, with documentation. 6 cassettes, mostly Rabbi Subar of Beth Ora with Ralph Kronick and choir, also a rehearsal tape, also a tape with Maury Kaye playing jazz and accompanying his father, Cantor Kusiel Kronick. Addition 2008: 2 boxes of music sheets. 5 music books.

Dates ultimes: 1923-2006.

No du fonds: P0221

Notice biographique
/ histoire
administrative:

Kusiel Kronick came to Canada from Poland in 1924 at the age of 32 with his wife Beile and children Rafael (Ralph), born 1921, and Riwa (Rebecca), born 1923. His youngest son, Morris (Maury), was born in Montreal in 1932. Kusiel Kronick, choir leader at the B'nai Jacob Synagogue, founded the Grodno choir in the early 1930s, composed of other recent immigrants like himself. His son Ralph became the choir leader of the Beth Ora synagogue. Maury, under the name Maury Kaye, founded a jazz quintet along with Noel Spinelli (later of Spinelli Motors) and Tony Romadini of Montreal. Maury died in Montreal at the age of 50. Rebecca, later Rebecca Stotland, founded the Laurentian Choir, named for the Laurentian Chapter of B'nai Brith Women.

Histoire de la conservation: The Kusiel Kronick portion of the collection was donated by Ralph Kronick on May 25, 1992. The rest of the collection was donated by Mrs. Ruth Kronick on two occasions, October 23, 2007 and April 25, 2008.

Notes:

P92/09, P07/21, and P08/10. Hebrew, English and Yiddish. This musical family was prominent in Montreal's renowned liturgical music circle, and also produced a jazz musician. A third sibling, Rebecca, led a woman's choir (documents may come later.) Jewish music is a theme of increased interest to researchers here. Prewar Polish Jewish documents are also in demand by researchers.

Archives / Archival Descriptions

Généalogie:

Dépôt d'archives: Canadian Jewish Archives