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## **Dr. John Bitter collection**

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## **Summary information**

**Repository:** University of Miami Special Collections

**Title:** Dr. John Bitter collection

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

John Bitter served as the Dean of the School of Music at the University of Miami from 1950-1963. He also conducted the UM Symphony Orchestra. Bitter was a graduate of the Curtis Institute of Music in Philadelphia, PA. He was a student of Artur Rodzinski and Emil Mlynarski for conducting, a student of William Kincaid and Georges Barrere for flute, and a student of Rosario Scalero for composition. He conducted the Jacksonville Symphony from 1934-1937, and the Florida Federal Symphony from 1937-1939. He was also a guest conductor of the Berlin Philharmonic, the Radio Italiana, the Hamburg Philharmonic, and other European symphonies from 1945-1950.

## Scope and content

The Dr. John Bitter collection contains materials documenting Bitter's career as a conductor and composer. The collection includes sheet music for several compositions by Bitter, as well as publications about the Frost School of Music at the University of Miami and a 1953 photograph of the University of Miami Orchestra at the Miami Beach Auditorium. Also included are numerous programs from the 1940s-1960s, including ones from the UM Symphony Orchestra, the Greater Miami Philharmonic, and the Berlin Philharmonic.

#### **Notes**

#### Title notes

### **Restrictions on access**

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#### Other notes

• **Publication status**: Published

• **Description identifier**: ArchonInternalCollectionID:580

## **Access points**

- University of Miami. School of Music (subject)
- Certificates (documentary form)
- Fliers (printed matter) (documentary form)
- Photographs (documentary form)
- Programs (documents) (documentary form)
- Sheet Music (documentary form)
- Music -- Manuscripts (subject)

## **Series descriptions**

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id17255	File -		•	1
id17256	File - Photographs			1 1
id17259	File - Programs	1946-1967		1 2
id17272	File - University of Miami	1950s-1960s		1 3
id17273	File - Scores			1 4
id17274	File - Flute Duets	1942		1 5
id17275	File - Duett for Two Flutes	1933		16
id17276	File - Prenatal Lullaby	1936		1 7
id17277	File - Three Duos for Two Flutes			1 8
id17278	File - Two Cannons for Two Flutes	1934		19

id17279	File - Quartet in Three Quarter Time	1 10