

Rusty Monroe Jazz Collection (Toledo Jazz Archives) Scope and Contents

Margaret “Rusty” Monroe donated the Rusty Monroe Jazz Collection to the Local History Department, Toledo-Lucas County Public Library in the summer of 2003. It is the second collection of the Toledo Jazz Archive to be housed in the department. The collection consists of memorabilia, newspaper clippings and photographs documenting jazz in Toledo in the late 20th and early 21st centuries as well as Rusty’s role in encouraging its continuation and growth.

Photographs have been physically removed from the manuscript collection; they will be housed in the department’s Photograph Collection as the Rusty Monroe Jazz Collection. Two photograph albums were dismantled to preserve the photographs; however, the albums were photocopied and the copies placed in the manuscript collection to document the order of the albums.

Rusty donated her collection to the department to encourage other people involved in jazz in Toledo and Lucas County to do the same. The materials donated by other people have been included in Mss. Coll. 243 – Toledo Jazz Collection. The third collection that is included in the Toledo Jazz Archives is Mss. Coll. 148 – Jerry A. Reed, Jr. Tap Dance Collection, which was already part of the department’s collections.

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Inventory

Box 1

- Folder 1 Rusty's Jazz Café History
1. Web page printout, 1998 (3 pp.)
 2. Award application to *Working Woman*, 1999 (5 pp.)
 3. Flyer, Rusty's Piano Bar, 3310 Secor Road
 4. Postcards, Interior of first location and exterior of second location, n.d. (photocopies) Originals in Photograph Collection
 5. *Blade* article about shopping strip on Secor Road, n.d.
- Folder 2 Rusty's Jazz Café Coffee Mug
1. Column by R. Scott Colglazier, Senior Pastor about coffee mug from *UCC Journal*, University Christian Church, Fort Worth, Texas, 1999
- Folder 3 *Rusty's Jazette*
1. June 1995
 2. September – December 1995
 3. January – March 1996
 4. April – June 1996
 5. July – September 1996
 6. Fall/Winter 1996
 7. Spring 1997
 8. Advertisement for magazine, 1996
 9. June 1995-Fall/Winter 1996 (comb-bound)
- Folder 4 Correspondence
1. To Rusty from "Independence" Kay & Sterling, October 12, 1985
 2. To Rusty from Nelson Grace, February 24, 1986
 3. To Margaret Monroe from Wayne P. Lawson, Ohio Arts Council, January 31, 1994
 4. Invitation to reception for Milton J. Hinton, April 17, 1995
 5. To Rusty from Jon A. Krosnick, Ohio State University, September 13, 1995
 6. To Rusty from Tom "Stumpy" Kirkpatrick, April 2, 1996
 7. To Rusty from The Rev. C. Read Heydt, August 26, 1996
 8. Six notes of appreciation by customers written on the back of a standup Blues Beer card, August 23, 1997
 9. Christmas card from Helen and Elmer Woggon, n.d.
 10. Comments about jazz by Bryer Beeston, Auckland, New Zealand, n.d.
 11. To Rusty from Bill, n.d.
 12. To Jim Marshall from Rusty, [2003]

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- Folder 5 Birthday Greetings
1. Certificate of Award in honor of Rusty's birthday, 1980
 2. *The Birthday Times*, printed for Rusty's birth date, November 22, 1918, ©Hallmark Cards, Inc., 1988
- Folder 6 Advertising
1. Business card, n.d.
 2. Flyer, Andre Wright, November 24 & 25
 3. Flyer, Rusty's Jazz Stars, September-October
 4. Advertising letter, n.d.
 5. Flyer, n.d.
 6. Advertising mock-ups, n.d. (2)
 7. Photograph of sweatshirt (photocopy)
- Folder 7 Proclamations
1. Rusty Monroe Day, November 22, 1993
 2. Eddie Abrams Day, March 20, 1996
- Folder 8 Big Band Bash
1. Newspaper clipping, February 6, 1991 (photocopy)
 2. Brochure, list of members, 2002
 3. Flyers for 15th anniversary, September 3, 2002
- Folder 9 Autographs
1. Newspaper clipping with autograph of James Moody, November 4, 1987
 2. Photocopy of newspaper clipping, *Providence Journal-Bulletin*, January 26, 1988 with autograph of Tal Farlow
 3. Promo flyer with autograph of Maynard Ferguson
- Folder 10 Rusty's Lists of Musicians
1. List of performers who have appeared at Rusty's of international fame, n.d.
 2. Local musicians now deceased, n.d.
- Folder 11 Newspaper Clippings: Rusty's Jazz Café; Rusty Monroe, 1989-2008
- Folder 12 Periodical Articles, 1998-2002

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- Folder 13 Photograph Album 1 (color photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
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- Folder 14 Photograph Album 1 (b&w photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
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- Folder 15 Photograph Album 2, 75th birthday (color photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
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- Folder 16 Photograph Album 2, 75th birthday (b&w photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
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- Folder 17 Photograph Album 3 (color photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
Local History's Photograph Collection)

- Folder 18 Photograph Album 3 (b&w photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
Local History's Photograph Collection)

- Folder 19 Photograph Album 4 (color photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
Local History's Photograph Collection)

- Folder 20 Photograph Album 4 (b&w photocopy)
(Photographs removed from album for scanning and housing in
Local History's Photograph Collection)

- Folder 21 Miscellaneous Photos

- Folder 22 Ramona Collins

- Folder 23 Stanley Cowell

- Folder 24 JoeAnn Cousino

- Folder 25 Billy Eckstine

- Folder 26 Samar El-Okdi

- Folder 27 Charlie Gabriel

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- Folder 28 Jon Hendricks
- Folder 29 Elvin (El) Myers
- Folder 30 Art Tatum; Art Tatum Jazz Festival
- Folder 31 Lake Erie West People's Choice Awards
1. Program, March 21, 1999
 2. Correspondence from Eddie Boggs, February 14, 1997
 3. Correspondence from Eddie Boggs, April 4, 1998
 4. Correspondence from Eddie Boggs, March 7, 2000
 5. Newspaper clippings, March 7, 10, 1997; March 27, 1998
- Folder 32 Jazz Artists & Jazz
1. Eddie Abrams
 2. Howard Richard "Pistol" Allen
 3. Claude Black
 4. Emile Borde
 5. Milt Buckner
 6. Leon Cook
 7. Miles Dewey Davis
 8. Dan Faehnle
 9. Maynard Ferguson
 10. J. C. Heard
 11. Jimmy A. Holloway
 12. Ernie Krivda
 13. Robert Lowe
 14. Chazz Mewhort
 15. Ron Oswanski, Jr.
 16. Charlie Parker
 17. Bob Rex
 18. Buddy Rich
 19. Red Rodney
 20. Bobby Truman
 21. General articles, 1993-2000
- Folder 33 Video, Rusty's Jazz Café
- Folder 34 Video, Rusty's
- Folder 35 Video, The Gerard Gibbs Trio

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- Folder 36 Toledo Jazz Remembered, October 21, 2003
1. Agenda
 2. Letter from JoeAnn Cousino, October 21, 2003 (photocopy)
 3. Contact prints of photographs (3 sheets)
- Folder 37 CD and DVD recordings
1. "Everything Old is New Again," Ramona Collins & Line One (CD recorded live at Rusty's Jazz Café, 1996)
 2. "Jazzland 103," Host: Allen Barnes (DVD recorded 2001)
- Folder 38 Rusty's Reunion Picnics

Box 2

- Artifacts
1. Plaque, MS Society for contribution to JAZZTRONOMIC CHEFS AND CLEFS, 1986
 2. Plaque, "Leading lady of jazz honored", *Blade*, March 19, 1998
 3. Plaque, "Dossier: Queen of Jazz", *Blade*, July 31, 1999
 4. Plaque, Milestones: A Tribute to Women, 2001
 5. Plaque, "Rusty's honored as a 'best club'", *Blade*, January 25, 2002
 6. Plaque, Toledo Public Schools Employer Award, 1997
 7. Proclamation, Lucas County Commissioners, 2003
 8. Coffee mug, Rusty's Jazz Café (2)
 9. Pendant, Lake Erie West Hall of Fame, 1998
 10. Glass award, Lake Erie West People's Choice Award, 1996
 11. Black tee shirt, Rusty's Jazz Alive Nitely
 12. White tee shirt, Jazz on the boat, Joe Sax
 13. Waitress apron, Rusty's Jazz Café
 14. Sweatshirt, Rusty's Jazz Café
 15. New Year's horn
 16. Cane (collapsible) used by Rusty

Oversize Box C1

- Posters
1. Ray Brown Concert, June 15, 2002
 2. Christopher Collins, August 28-29 [no year]
 3. Larry Nozero Quintet, n.d.
 4. Skip Bey, n.d.
 5. Toledo Jazz Remembered, TLCPL, October 31, 2003

- Phonograph Box 2 Phonograph record, "North Coast: The Ernie Krivda Quartet Live at Rusty's", n.d. (record is warped and unplayable)