

# String Orchestra of the Rockies Records, 1985-2016

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	String Orchestra of the Rockies
<b>Title</b>	String Orchestra of the Rockies Records
<b>Dates</b>	1985-2016 (inclusive) 1985 2016
<b>Quantity</b>	11.5 linear feet
<b>Collection Number</b>	Mss 674
<b>Summary</b>	This collection contains administrative records, concert planning papers, concert brochures, public relations records, and various audio and visual recorded materials produced by the String Orchestra of the Rockies between 1985 and 2016.
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<b>Languages</b>	English.

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## Historical Note

In the autumn of 1984, a group of musicians met to discuss the creation of a professional string orchestra, the only ensemble of its kind in residence in Montana. Since then, the String Orchestra of the Rockies (SOR) has become a regular part of Montana's musical life. This unique orchestra draws upon the finest string players in the state, including faculty of the University of Montana in Missoula and Montana State University in Bozeman, members of the Cascade Quartet in Great Falls, and other professional teachers and performers from Billings, Bozeman, Great Falls, and Missoula. SOR performs without a conductor, relying on the inner cohesion and expertise of its musicians.

The orchestra has been heard across Montana on network television's "People and Places Under the Big Sky" and throughout the United States on National Public Radio's "Performance Today." SOR continues to build on its record of accomplishment, rising to a higher level of artistic development. The orchestra two has produced two CDs. Both have been released nationally and regionally. Through its years of growth, the purposes of the String Orchestra of the Rockies have remained constant: 1) to

enhance and enrich the cultural climate of the region by providing classical music of the highest caliber, by providing regular concerts, 2) to provide resource support to public and private music education programs for Montana's children.

## Content Description

This collection contains administrative records, concert planning papers, concert brochures, public relations records, and various audio and visual recorded materials produced by the String Orchestra of the Rockies. The collection contains both records of the internal workings of managing the orchestra as well as the record of its public output.

Series I contains the administrative records of the orchestra, which include organizational charts, organizational history, personnel lists, minutes of board meetings, financial records, fund raising records, and musician records including information on the various guest musicians who have played with the String Orchestra of the Rockies.

Series II is divided into two subseries. Subseries 1 contains various concert planning records, grouped together around specific concerts. Subseries 2 is the complete collection of the orchestra's concert and seasonal brochures.

Series III contains public relations materials, including membership lists, outreach programs, advertising records, public service announcements, newsletters, and news clippings.

Series IV is divided into four subseries. Subseries 1 contains digital audio tape format master recordings. Subseries 2 contains cassette recordings. Subseries 3 contains compact disc recordings and subseries 4 contains video recordings. The recorded materials document the studio and live performances of the orchestra.

## Use of the Collection

### Restrictions on Use

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## Administrative Information

### Arrangement

The collection is divided into four series:

Series I: Administrative Records, 4.0 linear feet, 1985-2011

Series II: Concerts, 2.5 linear feet, 1984-2016

Subseries 1: Concert Planning, 1984-2009

Subseries 2: Concert Programs and Seasonal Brochures, 1985-2014

Series III: Public Relations 1.0 linear feet, 1985-2015

Series IV: Recorded Materials, 4.0 linear feet, 1985-2014

Subseries 1: Masters, 1985-1996

Subseries 2: Cassettes, 1985-1998

Subseries 3: Compact Discs, 1985-2014

Subseries 4: Audio and Video, 1986-2010

## Custodial History

Materials held by the String Orchestra of the Rockies until they were donated to the Archives.

## Acquisition Information

Gift of String Orchestra of the Rockies in 2006, 2007, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2014, 2015, and 2016.

## Future Additions

Future additions to the collection are expected.

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# Detailed Description of the Collection

## Series I: Administrative Records, 1985-2011

4.0 linear feet

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box/Folder		
1/1	By-laws	1985–2010
1/2	Mission Statement, Background, History, Board Member lists	1984–2010
1/3	20th Anniversary Information: Concert Log, Retrospective List of Musicians, History	1985-2005
1/4	Promotional/Informational Packet	1988–1989

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
1/5	Board Organizational Charts, Board Functions, Personnel Policy, Job Descriptions	1986–2003
1/6	Manager Applicants and Resumes	1988
1/7	Committee Information, duties and agendas	1986–1994
1/8	Personnel	1993–2010
19/2	Coordinator contract	2010
1/9	Minutes	1987
1/10	Minutes	1988
1/11	Minutes	1989
1/12	Minutes	1990
1/13	Minutes	1993
1/14	Minutes	1994
1/15	Minutes	1995
1/16	Minutes	1996
1/17	Minutes	1997
1/18	Minutes	1998
1/19	Minutes	1999
2/1	Minutes	2000
2/2	Minutes	2001
2/3	Minutes	2002
2/4	Minutes	2003
2/5	Minutes	2004

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
2/6	Minutes	2005
2/7	Minutes	2006
2/8	Minutes	2007
2/9	Minutes	2008
2/10	Minutes	2009
19/1	Minutes	2010
2/11	Correspondence	1985 – 1988
2/12	Correspondence	1992–2001
2/13	Correspondence	2002
19/3	Correspondence	2003-2005
19/4	Correspondence	2006-2008
19/5	Correspondence	2009-2010
19/13	Miscellaneous planning	1993-2009
19/11	Ticket counts	2002-2004
2/14	Budgets	1986–1987
2/15	Budgets	1988
2/16	Budgets	1989–1990
2/17	Budgets	1991-1992
2/18	Budgets	1994–1995
2/19	Budgets	1998–1999
2/20	Budgets	1999–2000

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
19/6	Budgets	2000–2001
19/7	Budgets	2002–2003
19/8	Budgets	2003–2005
19/9	Budgets	2008-2009
9/15	Concert Expense Reports	2008-2010
3/1	Financial Statements	1984-1985
3/2	Financial Statements	1985–1986
3/3	Financial Statements	1987
3/4	Financial Statements	1988
3/5	Financial Statements	1989
3/6	Financial Statements	1994-1995
3/7	Financial Statements	1995–1996
3/8	Financial Statements	1997
3/9	Financial Statements	1998–1999
3/10	Financial Statements	2000
3/11	Financial Statements	2001
3/12	Financial Statements	2002
3/13	Financial Statements	2003
3/14	Financial Statements	2004
3/15	Financial Statements	2005
19/8	Financial Statements	2009-2010

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
4/1	Fundraising – Planning, Solicitation, Correspondence	1986-2006
4/2	Fundraising – Raffle	undated
4/3	Fundraising	1986–2004
11/8	Silver Anniversary, Silent Auction	2010
11/9	Silver Anniversary, Silent Auction Donation Forms	2010
19/12	Donations	2002-2010
4/4	Donations, In-kind	1986-1988
4/5	Donations, Questions – Correspondence with Joan Jonkel, Attorney	1987
4/6	Donations, Gilbert A. Milikan Estate	undated
11/10	The Montana Community Foundation	1999-2009
4/7	Grants, Requests and Correspondence	1996-2001
4/8	Grants, "Story concerts"	1996-1997
4/9	Grants	1985 – 1989
4/10	Grants	1997–1999
4/11	Grant Work, Miscellaneous	1986-1993
4/12	Tax Documents	1985-1997
9/23	Tax Documents	2004-2008
9/16	Insurance	2010
4/13	Investments	2001-2011
4/14	Articles of Incorporation and corporation reports	1984-2010
4/15	Music Licensing - BMI and ASCAP	1994-2002

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
9/13	Music Licensing - American Society of Composers, Authors, and Publishers (ASCAP)	2003-2009
9/14	Music Licensing - Broadcast Music, Inc. (BMI)	2004-2009
9/18	Music Rental and Purchase	1999-2009
4/16	Booking Contracts	1987
4/17	Tic – It – Easy, Contracts and Correspondence	1991–1993
4/18	CD Project and Licensing Information	2001
4/19	CD Recording Project Information	2001
11/12	Recording Center Expenses	2004-2009
9/17	JFAT Concert Tour	2006-2007
5/1	Musician Contracts	1987–1988
5/2	Musicians – Names, Addresses, Miscellaneous Contracts	1987-2004
9/19	Musicians – Correspondence, Letters of Intent, Contracts	2005-2009
5/3	Guest Musician, Paul Hersh	2000
5/4	Guest Musician, David Fedele	2003
5/5	Guest Musician, Amit Peled	2004
5/6	Guest Musician, Ian Swensen	2004
5/7	Guest Musician, Paul Colleti	2004
5/8	Guest Musicians, David Heyes and Sarah Poole	2004
5/9	Guest Musician, Thibault Cauvin	2005
9/21	Outlet Sales	2006
9/22	Retreat	2006-2009



## Series II: Concerts, 1984-2016

1.5 linear feet

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Subseries 1: Concert Planning</b>		<b>1984-2009</b>
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
5/10	Museum Concert	December 1984
5/11	Concert Info and Planning	1985
5/12	Concert, February Concert	1986
5/13	Concert, April Concert	1986
5/14	Concert	May 1986
5/15	Concert, Fall Tour	1986
5/16	Concert, Christmas	1986
5/17	Concert, Celebrity Concert	1987
5/18	Concert, Spring	1987
5/19	Concert	October 1987
5/20	Concert	December 1987
5/21	Concert, Christmas Tour	1988
5/22	Concert, February, Benefit Recital	1988
5/23	Concert	May 1988
6/1	Concert Series	1988 – 1989
6/2	Concert	March 1989
6/3	Concert	June 1989

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6/4	Concert, Performance at the All NW MENC Conference	1989
6/5	Concert, Musical Garden Tour	1994
6/6	Concert, Christmas	1994
6/7	Concert, Winter	1995
6/8	Concert, Homecoming	1996
6/9	Concert	December 2001
6/10	Mansfield Tribute Concert, Research and Planning	2002
6/11	Mansfield Memorial Concert	2002
6/12	Concert, The Bach Connection and Alecia Edelberg	2002
6/13	Concert, The B's Concert	2002
11/11	Montana Summer Music	2002-2003
6/14	Concert, Kimberly Houser Heavenly Harp Concert	2003
6/15	Concert, Solo String Competition	2003
6/16	Concert, 20th Anniversary	2005
6/17	Concert, We'll Be Together Again with the Jeni Flemming Trio	2006
11/13	String Competition	2008-2009
<b>Subseries 2: Programs and Seasonal Brochures</b>		<b>1985-2016</b>
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
7/1	Programs	1985
7/2	Programs	1986
7/3	Programs	1987

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
7/4	Programs	1988
7/5	Programs	1989
7/6	Programs	1990
7/7	Programs	1991
7/8	Programs	1992
7/9	Programs	1993
7/10	Programs	1994
7/11	Programs	1995
7/12	Programs	1996
7/13	Programs	1997
8/1	Programs	1998
8/2	Programs	1999
8/3	Programs	2000
8/4	Programs	2001
8/5	Programs	2002
8/6	Programs	2003
8/7	Programs	2004
8/8	Programs	2005
8/9	Programs	2006
8/10	Programs	2007
8/11	Programs	2008

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
8/12	Programs	2009
8/13	Programs	2010
8/14	Programs	2011
8/15	Programs	2012
8/16	Programs	2013
8/17	Programs	2014
8/18	Programs	2015
8/19	25th Anniversary Program	2010
8/20	10th Anniversary Brochures	1995
8/21	Concert Season Brochures	2000-2001
9/1	Concert Season Brochures	2002-2003
9/2	Concert Season Brochures	2003-2004
9/3	Concert Season Brochures	2004-2005
9/4	Concert Season Brochures	2005-2006
9/5	Concert Season Brochures	2006-2007
9/6	Concert Season Brochures	2007-2008
9/7	Concert Season Brochures	2008-2009
9/8	Concert Season Brochures	2009-2010
9/9	Concert Season Brochures	2010-2014
9/10	Concert Season Brochures	2014-2016
9/11	Season Promotional Brochures	1991-2005

Container(s)	Description	Dates
9/12	Concert Fliers	1986–2010

### Series III: Public Relations and Publicity, 1985-2015

1.0 linear foot

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Box/Folder</b>		
10/1	Education Outreach	1997-2009
10/2	Publicity Committee	1987
10/3	Business Advertising	1987
10/4	Brochure, program, and advertising costs and planning	1985-2005
10/5	Advertising Contracts and Summaries	2000–2001
10/6	Advertising Contracts and Summaries	2001–2002
19/14	Advertising Summaries	2002–2003
19/15	Advertising Contracts and Summaries	2003–2010
10/7	Public Service Announcements	1987–1988
10/8	Newsletters	1988
10/9	Newsletters	1991–1994
10/10	Audience Survey	1993
10/11	Running List of News clippings	1990–2004
10/12	News Clippings	1985
10/13	News Clippings	1986-1988
10/14	News Clippings	1989–1991

<b>Container(s)</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Dates</b>
10/15	News Clippings	1992–1994
10/16	News Clippings	1995–1997
10/17	News Clippings	1998–2000
10/18	News Clippings	2001–2003
10/19	News Clippings	2004–2006
10/20	News Clippings	2007–2010
9/20	News Clippings	2015
10/21	Photographs, Orchestra Portrait	1994
10/22	Photographs, Orchestra Portrait	1995
10/23	Photographs, Quinn’s Hot Springs Concert	2004
10/24	Photographs, Concert	2004
10/25	Photographs, 20th Anniversary Concert Reception	2005
10/26	Photographs, Individual players	undated
OS 17, MC VII-1	Poster, JS Bach, Brandenburg Concertos	December 1987
OS 17, MC VII-1	Poster, First Annual Musical Garden Tour	1994
OS 17, MC VII-1	Cover of Missoulian Entertainer	December 1987
OS 17, MC VII-1	Cover of Missoulian Entertainer	February 1995
11/1	Membership list	1988–1991
11/2	Membership list	1998–1999

Container(s)	Description	Dates
11/3	Membership list	1999–2000
11/4	Membership list	2000–2001
11/5	Membership list	2002–2003
11/6	Membership list	2003–2005
11/7	Season Ticket Holders	undated

## Series IV: Recorded Materials, 1985-2014

2.5 linear feet

Container(s)	Description	Dates
<b>Subseries 1: Masters</b>		<b>1985-1996</b>
<b>Box</b>		
21	Cassette	February 1985
21	Cassette	April 14, 1985
20	Reel-to-Reel Audio Tape - master, Part 1	April 14, 1985
20	Reel-to-Reel Audio Tape - master, Part 2	April 14, 1985
21	Cassette, Spring Concert	June 8, 1985
20	Reel-to-Reel Audio Tape - master, Spring Concert	June 8, 1985
21	Cassette 2 copies	July 7, 1985
21	Cassette, Spring Concert	1986
21	Cassette, Fall Tour, Missoula	1986
20	Reel-to-Reel Audio Tape - master, Fall Tour, Bozeman, Part 1	October 26, 1986

Container(s)	Description	Dates
20	Reel-to-Reel Audio Tape - master, Fall Tour, Bozeman, Part 2	October 26, 1986
21	Cassette	December 1986
21	Cassette	1986
12	Reel-to-Reel Audio Tape - master, Bach Brandenburg Concertos No. 4 & 5	1987
12	DAT [Digital Audio Tape] Master recording, Concert	May 1992
12	DAT master recording, Concert	September 26, 1993
12	DAT master recording, Concert	December 19, 1993
12	DAT master recording, Concert	Winter 1994
12	DAT master recording, Concert	1994
12	DAT master recording, Concert	October 23, 1995
12	DAT master recording, Concert	February 25, 1996
12	DAT master recording, Concert	1996
12	DAT master recording	May 11, 1996
<b>Subseries 2: Cassettes</b>		<b>1985-1998</b>
<b>Box</b>		
21	Cassette, Demonstration Recording	September 1985
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	1985
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	December 1985
21	Cassette, Best of the String Orchestra of the Rockies	1985-1987



Container(s)	Description	Dates
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies, Butte	October 1986
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies, Bozeman	October 26, 1986
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	February 1987
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies, Spring Concert	1987
13	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	1987
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	October 16, 1988
13	Cassette tapes Bach piano concert	undated
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	October 7, 1990
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies	February 23, 1991
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies 2 copies	May 9, 1992
13	Cassette, Great Falls	1993
21	Cassette, Quartet for the End of Time 2 copies	March 29, 1993
13	Cassette	September 26, 1993
13	Cassette	1994
13	Cassette	1994
13	Cassette	1994
13	Cassette	February 25, 1995
13	Cassette	May 7, 1995

Container(s)	Description	Dates
13	Cassette	February 25, 1996
13	Cassette, Fall Concert	1996
13	Cassette, "A Tribute to John Lester"	1995
13	Cassette, "LIVE!"	undated
13	Cassette, "Educational Outreach Tour"	1998
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies Live!	undated
21	Cassette, String Orchestra of the Rockies, Spring	undated
<b>Subseries 3: Compact Discs</b>		<b>1985-2014</b>
<b>Box</b>		
20	CD, String Orchestra of the Rockies Library Transcripts	1985
20	CD, String Orchestra of the Rockies Library Transcripts	June 8, 1985
18	CD CD created in 2010 from VHS audio tape.	May 31, 1986
20	CD, String Orchestra of the Rockies Library Transcripts	1986
18	CD	February 1, 1987
18	CD	December 19, 1987
20	CD, String Orchestra of the Rockies Library Transcripts	December 20, 1987
18	CD	May 22, 1988
18	CD	December 17, 1988
18	CD	March 4, 1989

Container(s)	Description	Dates
18	CD	June 3, 1989
18	CD	October 14, 1989
18	CD	December 17, 1989
18	CD	March 17, 1990
18	CD	June 2, 1990
18	CD	October 7, 1990
18	CD	June 1, 1991
18	CD	October 12, 1991
18	CD	December 22, 1991
18	CD	December 5, 1992
18	CD	March 6, 1993
18	CD	May 16, 1993
18	CD	December 10, 1994
14	CD	November 30, 1996
14	CD	September 20, 1998
14	CD	November 15, 1998
14	CD	February 21, 1999

Container(s)	Description	Dates
14	CD	April 18, 1999
14	CD	September 19, 1999
14	CD	December 11, 1999
14	CD	February 20, 2000
14	CD	April 9, 2000
14	CD	October 1, 2000
14	CD	December 16, 2000
14	CD	September 30, 2001
14	CD	December 15, 2001
14	CD	February 24, 2002
14	CD	April 14, 2002
14	CD	September 28, 2002
14	CD	November 10, 2002
14	CD	February 16, 2003
14	CD	May 4, 2003
14	CD	September 14, 2003

Container(s)	Description	Dates
14	CD	November 23, 2003
14	CD	March 29, 2004
14	CD	April 18, 2004
14	CD	September 19, 2004
14	CD	December 18, 2004
14	CD	February 20, 2005
14	CD	September 18, 2005
14	CD	December 17, 2005
14	CD	February 26, 2006
14	CD	April 23, 2006
14	CD	October 8, 2006
14	CD	December 18, 2006
14	CD, The Jeni Fleming Trio with The String Orchestra of the Rockies, "We'll Be Together Again"	undated
14	CD	February 18, 2007
14	CD	April 15, 2007
14	CD	October 14, 2007

Container(s)	Description	Dates
14	CD	December 15, 2007
14	CD	February 10, 2008
14	CD	April 20, 2008
17	CD	September 14, 2008
17	CD	December 15, 2008
17	CD	March 1, 2009
17	CD	May 3, 2009
17	CD	September 20, 2009
17	CD	December 13, 2009
17	CD	February 21, 2010
17	CD	May 2, 2010
17	CD	September 12, 2010
17	CD	December 12, 2010
17	CD	February 13, 2011
17	CD	April 17, 2011
17	CD	September 11, 2011

Container(s)	Description	Dates
17	CD	February 26, 2012
17	CD	April 15, 2012
17	CD	September 16, 2012
17	CD	December 9, 2012
17	CD	February 24, 2013
17	CD	April 21, 2013
17	CD	September 15, 2013
17	CD	December 15, 2013
17	CD	February 16, 2014
20	CD	September 21, 2014
20	CD	November 15, 2014
20	CD	February 22, 2015
20	CD	May 10, 2015
20	CD	September 20, 2015
20	CD	November 22, 2015
<b>Subseries 4: Audio and Video Recordings</b>		<b>1986-2010</b>

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
15	Audio only VHS Tape, "Gala Concert"	May 1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape, Spring Concert	1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape	October 1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape, Butte	October 1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape, Dress Rehearsal	December 1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape, Sarah Avery Recital	1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape	May 1986
15	Audio only VHS Tape	Fall 1987
15	Audio only VHS Tape, Gala Concert	1987
15	Audio only VHS Tape, Spring Concert	1987
16	Audio only VHS Tape	1985 – 1986
16	Audio only VHS Tape, SOR with Haroutene Bedelian	1987
16	DVD, KPAX TV show on SOR	circa late 1980s
16	VHS Tape, Winter Concert	February 23, 1991
16	DVD, Winter Concert DVD created in 2010 from VHS tape	February 23, 1991
16	DVD, Rehearsal	April 19, 1997
16	DVD, Christmas Concert	December 1997
16	DVD, "Amy-Piano"	undated
16	VHS Tape, SOR Sarah Harball	undated



Container(s)	Description	Dates
16	VHS Tape, SOR Public Service Announcement Short, Amit Peled	September 2004
16	VHS Tape, SOR Public Service Announcement, Swensen	2004
16	DVD, SOR 2004 Public Service Announcements - Peled, Swensen, Harball also includes Handel Rehearsal March 8, 1989 and Montana Outreach event 1998	1898-2004
16	DVD, Amit Peled	April 20, 2008
16	DVD, mp3 files of all SOR audio CDs through 2009 and searchable PDF image files of all CD covers	2010
16	VHS Tape, Building Art Participation, Montana Arts Council does not appear to have any content related to SOR	2001

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