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Howie Jefferson
Collection

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Collection Information

Abstract : Collection contains newspaper articles, photographs and recordings of Jazz artist Howie Jefferson.

Finding Aid : Finding Aid in print form is available in the Repository.

Preferred Citation : Worcester Historical Museum, Worcester, Massachusetts.

Provenance : Gift of Cynthia Carruthers, daughter of Howie Jefferson 1994.

MARC Access : Collection is cataloged in MARC under the following subject headings

Historical/Biographical Notes

Howie Jefferson was born in Worcester, son of Corbett and Florence (Cahtfield) Jefferson. His father was a well-known jazz pianist in the 1920s. He was one of the region's most accomplished jazz saxophonists and had played in area nightclubs for more than 50 years. He began his career in 1929 with Boots Ward's Nite Hawks, which was then the premier jazz band in the Worcester area. Mr. Jefferson was also the founder of the Saxtrum Club, a musician's fraternal organization that opened in 1938 in a rented store at Glenn and Clayton Streets. It was there that the musicians had nightly jam sessions attended by such well-known performers as Frank Sinatra, Roy Eldridge, Anita O'Day, Cozy Cole, Gene Krupa, Al Hirt, and Charlie Ventura. Howie Jefferson died June 20, 1981 at the age of 67.

Scope and Content

Collection contains newspaper articles, photographs and recordings of Jazz artist Howie Jefferson.

Series Descriptions

Series 1: Newspaper Articles

Series 2: Photographs

Series 3: Recordings

Howie Jefferson Collection
2004.50.1
Series 1, Newspaper Articles

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	1	2004.50.1.1 - .12	Various newspaper clippings relating to Howie Jefferson.

Howie Jefferson Collection
2004.50.1
Series 2, Photographs

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	2	2004.50.2.1	8 x 10" photograph of Jazz Band, "The Nite Hawks" Howard Jefferson in glasses.
1	2	2004.50.2.2	5 x 7" newsprint image of Howie Jefferson

Howie Jefferson Collection
2004.50.1
Series 3, Recordings

<u>Box #</u>	<u>Folder #</u>	<u>Accession #</u>	<u>Description</u>
1	3	2004.50.3.1	Recording of "Tea For Two" by Jeff's Quartet (August 31, 1946)
1	3	2004.50.3.2	Recording of "Lover Come Back to Me" by Jeff's Quartet (August 31, 1946)