

The Pratt Family Collection

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History:

The Pratt family's impact on Bloomington-Normal includes the Pratt Musical Foundation, established in the memory of T.A.E.C. Pratt in 1996, that provides scholarships for lessons at Illinois Wesleyan University's Music Preparatory Program. In addition, Dr. Mildred Pratt has established a scholarship fund at Illinois State University.

Scope and Content:

The Pratt Family Collection primarily consists of newspaper articles on the career of award-winning pianist Awadagin Pratt, his concert programs, and correspondence related to him. There are also files related to Awadagin's parents, Dr. Theodore A.E.C. Pratt, and his wife, Dr. Mildred Pratt, who were both professors at Illinois State University; a small amount of the material is related to Theodore and Mildred's daughter, Dr. Menah Pratt-Clarke. The collection is arranged in the following series:

- I. Awadagin Pratt
- II. T.A.E.C. Pratt
- III. Mildred Pratt

Box # Series

1 – 1 : Awadagin Pratt

1 1 – 1 / 1 : Publicity (newsprint and media)

1 – 1/1/1 : Undated Articles

1 – 1/1/2 : News Articles 1989

1 – 1/1/3 : News Articles 1992

1 – 1/1/4 : News Articles 1993

1 – 1/1/5 : News Articles 1994

1 – 1/1/6 : News Articles 1995

1 – 1/1/7 : News Articles 1996

1 – 1/1/8 : News Articles 1997

1 – 1/1/9 : News Articles 1998

1 – 1/1/10 : News Articles 1999

1 – 1/1/11 : News Articles 2000

1 – 1/1/12 : News Articles 2001

1 – 1/1/13 : News Articles 2002-2005

2 1 – 1/1/14 : Audio Tapes (5) 1993-2000

1 – 1/1/15 : Video Tapes (7)

1 – 1 / 2 : Concert Programs 1983-2005

3 1-1/2/1: Concert Programs: Undated; 1983-1990

1-1/2/2: Concert Programs: 1991-1993

1-1/2/3: Concert Programs: 1994

1-1/2/4: Concert Programs: 1995

1-1/2/5: Concert Programs: 1996

4 1-1/2/6: Concert Programs: 1997

1-1/2/7: Concert Programs: 1998

Box 4 (cont'd)

1-1/2/8: Concert Programs: 1999-2000

1-1/2/9: Concert Programs: 2001-2002

1-1/2/10: Concert Programs: 2002-2005

5 1 – 1 / 3 : Publications

1-1/3/1: Schedules of Concerts

1-1/3/2: Misc. Publications

1-1/3/3: Correspondence to/from (see also 1-3/3 for correspondence about)

1 – 2 : Theodore A.E. Cyril Pratt

1 – 2 / 1 : Biographical Information

1 – 2 / 2 : Research and Personal Notes

1 – 2 / 3 : Published Papers

1 – 2 / 4 : Correspondence

1 – 2/4/1 : Personal and Informal Correspondence

1 – 2/4/2 : Professional Correspondence

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1—3 : Mildred Pratt

1—3 / 1 : “We the People Tell Our Story” Black History of Bloomington-Normal

1—3 / 2 : News Articles

1—3/ 3 : Correspondence

1—3/ 3/1 : Correspondence regarding Awadagin Pratt (see also 1-1)

1—3/ 3/2 : Correspondence unrelated to Awadagin Pratt