

# Guide to the Sauter-Finegan Orchestra Papers

MSS 140



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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** MSS 140

**CREATOR:** Sauter-Finegan Orchestra

**TITLE:** Sauter-Finegan Orchestra Papers

**DATES:** 1952–1987

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 18 linear feet (30 containers)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** At this time, the Papers include a portion of the Sauter-Finegan Orchestra arrangements. The parts and the scores have been organized into separate series because they were received separately. Not all of the parts have a corresponding score at this time.

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## Requesting Instructions

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b.      box  
f.      folder

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## Administrative Information

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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### Preferred Citation

MSS 140, The Sauter-Finegan Orchestra Papers in the Gilmore Music Library of Yale University.

## Related Materials

Researchers are advised to consult the Eddie Sauter Papers (MSS 64) and the Benny Goodman Papers (MSS 53), both held by the Gilmore Music Library.

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## Separated Materials

Original parts for the following titles have been removed for preservation reasons: "Hearts are Young," "Moonlight on the Ganges," "Nina Never Knew," "Azure-Te," "April in Paris," and "Midnight Sleighride." Photocopies of these parts remain in the collection.

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## Biographical / Historical

The Sauter-Finegan Orchestra was formed in 1952 by Eddie Sauter (1914-1981) and Bill Finegan (1917-2008). Sauter and Finegan were each prominent arrangers for big bands led by artists such as Glenn Miller, Benny Goodman and Tommy Dorsey. Finegan had studied with Stefan Wolpe and Darius Milhaud, and Sauter studied music at Columbia and Juilliard. Both were clearly influenced by classical music, and their orchestra included non-traditional big band instruments like the recorder, piccolo, English horn, and tympani.

Sauter and Finegan wrote arrangements of big band standards, but they also ventured into folk and classical music, e.g., "Doodletown Fifers", their version of "Yankee Doodle". In 1953, Sauter and Finegan put together a touring orchestra, but their venture did not prove successful. They disbanded the Orchestra in 1957, although they reunited to record an album in 1959. The Orchestra was featured in a 1960 Buick commercial, perhaps a precursor to Sauter and Finegan's involvement in writing commercial jingles for television.

In the 1980s, Bill Finegan revived the Sauter-Finegan Orchestra name for concerts in New York City at venues such as Town Hall and 92nd Street Y. The orchestra was called, "Studio Orchestra" as it was made up of highly-skilled studio musicians in New York City at the time. The Studio Orchestra was led by Harvey Estrin, one of the original members of the Sauter-Finegan Orchestra.

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

The Papers are divided into three series: 1. Parts, 2. Scores, and 3. Conductor's Scores.

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## Collection Contents

### Series I: Parts

Includes originals and photocopies.

The parts are arranged in alphabetical order by title.

b. 1, f. 1	9 O'Clock Call
b. 1, f. 2	10,000 BC
b. 1, f. 3	Adventures in Time
b. 1, f. 4	All of Me
b. 1, f. 5	All the Things You Are
b. 1, f. 6	Angelica
b. 1, f. 7	April in Paris
b. 1, f. 8	Aren't You Glad You're You
b. 1, f. 9	Autumn Leaves
b. 2, f. 1	Avalon
b. 2, f. 2	Azure-Te
b. 2, f. 3	Benny Rides Again
b. 2, f. 4	Bernie's Waltz
b. 2, f. 5	Bilboa
b. 2, f. 6	Blue Moon
b. 3, f. 1	Bread, Cake, and Rolls
b. 3, f. 2	Chant of the Weed
b. 3, f. 3	Charmaine
b. 3, f. 4	Chasing Rainbows
b. 3, f. 5	Cherokee!
b. 3, f. 6	The Chief (recopied)
b. 3, f. 7	The Chief (Science Fiction)
b. 4, f. 1	Child's Play
b. 4, f. 2	Church Mouse
b. 4, f. 3	Come Rain or Come Shine
b. 5, f. 1	Concerto in F

b. 23b, f. 4	Crystal Ball
b. 5, f. 2	Dancing in the Dark
b. 5, f. 3	Dancing on the Ceiling
b. 5, f. 4	Darn That Dream
b. 5, f. 5	Date with an Angel
b. 5, f. 6	Doodletown Fifers
b. 5, f. 7	Doodletown Races
b. 6, f. 1	Don't Be That Way
b. 6, f. 2	Dream a Little Dream
b. 6, f. 3	Dream Land
b. 6, f. 4	Dream Play
b. 6, f. 5	Eddie and the Witch Doctor
b. 6, f. 6	Embraceable You
b. 6, f. 7	Evergreen
b. 6, f. 8	Everybody Gets to go to the Moon
b. 7, f. 1	Ev'ry Little Star
b. 7, f. 2	Exactly Like You
b. 7, f. 3	Exit Lines
b. 7, f. 4	Exit Swinging
b. 7, f. 5	Fears
b. 7, f. 6	Fickle Finger of Fate
b. 7, f. 7	Finegan's Wake
b. 7, f. 8	Foggy Day
b. 8, f. 1	Fools Rush In
b. 8, f. 2	Four Horsemen
b. 8, f. 3	Funny Valentine
b. 8, f. 4	Getting Sentimental
b. 8, f. 5	Have Yourself a Merry Little Christmas
b. 8, f. 6	Hearts Are Young
b. 8, f. 7	Hearts Are Young

b. 9, f. 1	Here's That Rainy Day
b. 9, f. 2	Hey! Lulu! (The Loop)
b. 9, f. 3	Holiday Pt. 1
b. 9, f. 4	Holiday Pt. 2
b. 10, f. 1	The Honey Jump
b. 10, f. 2	Horse Play
b. 10, f. 3	How Am I to Know
b. 10, f. 4	If
b. 10, f. 5	In a Mellowtone
b. 10, f. 6	In a Mist
b. 11, f. 1	In Love in Vain
b. 11, f. 2	In My Solitude
b. 11, f. 3	It's Mutual
b. 11, f. 4	I've Got You Under My Skin
b. 11, f. 5	Jeru
b. 11, f. 6	Joey's Theme
b. 11, f. 7	John Henry
b. 11, f. 8	The Juke Family Takes a Holiday
b. 11, f. 9	Kick Out of You
b. 12, f. 1	Lady Be Good
b. 12, f. 2	Laura
b. 12, f. 3	Little Brown Jug
b. 12, f. 4	Little Girl Blue
b. 12, f. 5	Liza
b. 12, f. 6	Lonely Number
b. 12, f. 7	Lonesome Town
b. 13, f. 1	Love is a Simple Thing
b. 13, f. 2	Love Walked In
b. 13, f. 3	Lover Come Back
b. 13, f. 4	Lullaby

b. 13, f. 5	Lullaby of Birdland
b. 13, f. 6	Madame X
b. 14, f. 1	Manhattan (Medley)
b. 14, f. 2	Meditation
b. 14, f. 3	Midnight Sleighride Glockenspiel part has been removed for preservation reasons.
b. 14, f. 4	Messin' Around
b. 15, f. 1	Miss Jones
b. 15, f. 2	Moon is Blue
b. 15, f. 3	Moonlight on the Ganges Original Kazoo part removed for preservation reasons.
b. 15, f. 4	Mulberry Bush
b. 15, f. 5	My Prayer
b. 15, f. 6	Nina Never Knew
b. 15, f. 7	Now That I'm in Love
b. 16, f. 1	Of Thee I Sing
b. 16, f. 2	Oh
b. 16, f. 3	Old Deserted Farm
b. 16, f. 4	Old Folks
b. 16, f. 5	Pale Moon
b. 16, f. 6	Paradise
b. 16, f. 7	Pathways
b. 16, f. 8	Pennies From Heaven
b. 17, f. 1	Pony Time
b. 17, f. 2	Rain
b. 17, f. 3	Rama Lama Ding Dong
b. 17, f. 4	Ramona
b. 17, f. 5	R.M. 120 Special
b. 17, f. 6	Rocker
b. 18, f. 1	Rockin Chair
b. 18, f. 2	Scotch on the Rocks



b. 18, f. 3	Seascape
b. 18, f. 4	Sentimental Over You
b. 18, f. 5	September's Sorrow
b. 18, f. 6	September Song
b. 18, f. 7	Silent Lover
b. 18, f. 8	Silver Bells
b. 18, f. 9	Sleepy Village
b. 18, f. 10	Solo For Joe
b. 19, f. 1	Somebody Loves Me
b. 19, f. 2	The Song Is You
b. 19, f. 3	Stardust
b. 19, f. 4	Stardust Prod
b. 19, f. 5	Stars Fell On Alabama
b. 19, f. 6	Stop! Sit Down
b. 19, f. 7	Straight Down The Middle
b. 19, f. 8	A Summer Knows
b. 19, f. 9	Sunday Morning Blues
b. 20, f. 1	Sunshine Girl
b. 20, f. 2	Super Highway
b. 20, f. 3	Surrey
b. 20, f. 4	Swing Low
b. 20, f. 5	S'Wonderful
b. 21, f. 1	Take The A Train
b. 21, f. 2	That's All
b. 21, f. 3	These Foolish Things
b. 21, f. 4	Thinking Of You
b. 21, f. 5	Those Tall Ships
b. 21, f. 6	Thunderer
b. 22	Thundisbreak
b. 22, f. 2	Thursday's Child

b. 22, f. 3	Til They've All Gone Home
b. 22, f. 4	Time To Dream
b. 22, f. 5	To Remember
b. 22, f. 6	Too Marvelous For Words
b. 22, f. 7	Trust In Me
b. 23, f. 1	Tuff Enough
b. 23, f. 2	Two Cigarettes
b. 23, f. 3	Tyme Was
b. 23, f. 4	Venuto's Tune
b. 23, f. 5	Volga Boatman
b. 23, f. 6	Tweedle-Dee Tweedle-Dum
b. 23, f. 7	Wallington's Godchild
b. 23, f. 8	The Welldigger's Daughter
b. 23, f. 9	What Are You Doing?
b. 23, f. 10	What Is This Thing Called Love
b. 23a, f. 1	When a Woman Loves
b. 23a, f. 2	Where or When
b. 23a, f. 2a	Wholly!
b. 23a, f. 3	Wildwings in the Woods
b. 23a, f. 4	Willow Weep For Me
b. 23a, f. 5	Why Do I
b. 23b, f. 1	The Wind and The Sea
b. 23b, f. 2	Yankee Doodle Town
b. 23b, f. 3	You Do Something
b. 23b, f. 5	Miscellaneous and untitled parts and sketches

**Series II: Scores**

Full scores.

b. 25, f. 5	4 Horsemen
b. 25, f. 3	4 in a Bar (4 Horsemen)
b. 26, f. 3	10,000 B.C.
b. 24, f. 1	All the Things You Are
b. 24, f. 2	Angel
b. 28, f. 4	April in Portugal
b. 24, f. 3	Avalon
b. 26, f. 5	Baden-Baden
b. 28, f. 1	Benny Rides Again
b. 28, f. 2	Bilbao Song
b. 24, f. 4	Blue Moon
b. 28, f. 3	Brain Percussion
b. 24, f. 6	Chant of the Weed
b. 24, f. 7	Chasing Rainbows
b. 24, f. 8	Cherokee
b. 24, f. 5	The Chief ("Science Fiction")
b. 24, f. 10	Dancing on the Ceiling
b. 24, f. 9	Dancing in the Dark
b. 24, f. 11	Darn That Dream
b. 24, f. 12	Embraceable You
b. 24, f. 13	Ev'ry Little Star
b. 24, f. 14	Fears
b. 24, f. 15	Fools Rush In
b. 25, f. 1	A Girl to Remember
b. 25, f. 2	High Tor
b. 25, f. 4	Holiday
b. 25, f. 6	Horseplay
b. 28, f. 5	How Long Has This Been Going On

b. 28, f. 6	I Could Have Told You
b. 28, f. 7	I Thought it was Over
b. 28, f. 8	I'm Walking Behind You
b. 25, f. 8	In Love in Vain
b. 25, f. 7	In a Mist
b. 25, f. 9	It Had to Be You
b. 28, f. 9	Kinetic Energy
b. 27, f. 3	Lady Be Good
b. 28, f. 10	Laura
b. 27, f. 2	Little Girl Blue
b. 25, f. 10	The Loop (Hey Lulu)
b. 27, f. 4	Lullaby of Birdland
b. 27, f. 5	Madame X
b. 27, f. 6	Melancholy Baby
b. 28, f. 11	Messing Around
b. 27, f. 9	Moulin Rouge
b. 24, f. 16	Of Thee I Sing
b. 27, f. 7	Old Deserted Farm
b. 27, f. 10	One is a Lonely Number
b. 27, f. 8	Pale Moon
b. 26, f. 13	Paradise
b. 26, f. 14	Pony Time
b. 27, f. 11	Ramalama Ding Dong
b. 27, f. 12	Ramona
b. 26, f. 15	RMS Special
b. 24, f. 17	Rockin' Chair
b. 27, f. 13	Scotch on the Rocks
b. 26, f. 7	Sleepy Village
b. 26, f. 6	Solo for Joe (The Land Between)
b. 26, f. 1	Somebody Loves Me

b. 26, f. 2	Stars Fell on Alabama
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b. 27, f. 1	The Succuba
b. 26, f. 8	Surrey With the Fringe
b. 26, f. 9	S'Wonderful
b. 25, f. 13	Thinking of You
b. 26, f. 4	Those Tall Ships!!
b. 28, f. 15	Thursday's Child
b. 25, f. 14	Too Marvelous for Words
b. 26, f. 12	The Well Digger's Daughter
b. 25, f. 11	What Is This Thing Called Love
b. 28, f. 12	Where's Ace?
b. 25, f. 12	Where or When
b. 28, f. 13	Wholly
b. 26, f. 11	Wild Wings
b. 28, f. 14	Wild Wings in the Woods
b. 26, f. 10	The Wind & The Sea

**Series III: Conductor's scores and notes**

Condensed versions of full scores, with instrumental cues. Some are labeled "Booth" rather than "Conductor".

b. 23b, f. 6	Conductors' scores
b. 23b, f. 6	April in Paris
b. 23b, f. 6	Azure-Te
b. 23b, f. 6	Darn That Dream
b. 23b, f. 6	Doodletown Races
b. 23b, f. 6	Fools Rush In
b. 23b, f. 6	How Am I To Know
b. 23b, f. 6	Midnight Sleighride
b. 23b, f. 6	Moonlight on the Ganges
b. 23b, f. 6	Rain
b. 23b, f. 6	Straight Down the Middle
b. 23b, f. 6	These Foolish Things
b. 23b, f. 6	Yankee Doodle Town
b. 23b, f. 6	When Hearts Are Young
b. 28, f. 16	[concert notes] A few pages of playlists and notes from Sauter-Finegan Orchestra concert series in the late 1970s and 1980s, New York City. Contained in a folder labeled "Conductor - Studio Orchestra".

## **Selected Search Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### **Subjects**

Big band music -- Scores and parts

### **Corporate Body**

Sauter-Finegan Orchestra