

Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh, Music Department

Title: Carl Bernthaler Collection

Overview of the Collection

Reference Code: Pittsburgh Music Archive #2

Creator: Carl Bernthaler (1879-1925)

Dates: 1896 - 1913

Extent: 2 Boxes

Language: English

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Notes on the Collection

Historical Note

Carl Bernthaler was a member of the flute section of the Pittsburgh Orchestra from 1896-1910. He served as assistant conductor from 1908-1910. He organized various orchestras in Pittsburgh following the end of the Pittsburgh Orchestra in 1910.

Scope and Content Note

- Personal papers
- Bernthaler's Berlin diary (1912-1913)
- Signed photographs of orchestral musicians
- Concert programs, including Pittsburgh Festival Orchestra 1910 and 1913

Container List

BOX 1

1. Blue Book of Talent (copy). Published by J.C. Dickson (Pittsburgh, PA), 1909
2.
 - a. Photo: Carl Bernthaler
 - b. Postcard: Piano recital...pupils of Vincent B. Wheeler
 - c. Postcard: Pittsburgh Festival Orchestra, Carl Bernthaler conductor
 - d. Brochure: Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra – 1934-35 Season
 - e. Postcard: Of and from Charles Wakefield Cadman
 - f. Photo: Unidentified orchestra; C. Bernthaler, conductor?
 - g. Clipping: Undated; Pittsburgh Symphony Orchestra
3. Pittsburgh Festival Orchestra: Summer Night Concerts; Third Season, 1910. Complete book of programs (copy)
4. Pittsburgh Festival Orchestra: Summer Night Concerts; Fifth Season, 1913. Complete book of programs (copy)
5. Carl Bernthaler diary: Berlin 1912-13
6. Carl Bernthaler accounts book 1901-1908 (includes list of musicians he accompanied (p.25-26) with commentary

BOX 2

1. Photographs, many signed, of musicians with whom Carl Bernthaler worked.

See also

- Baynham, Edward G. [*A History of Pittsburgh Music, 1758-1958*](#)
- Wolfe, Richard J. [*A Short History of the Pittsburgh Orchestra, 1896-1910*](#)
- [Pittsburgh Music Information File](#)
- [The Maurice Levy Oral History of Music in Pittsburgh Collection #32](#)