PAINE COLLEGE. Paine College Concert Choir File, 1955-2003

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Paine College

Title: Paine College Concert Choir File, 1955-2003

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Abstract: The Paine College Concert Choir File includes programs, photographs, newspaper

clippings, history, and a concert album.

Usage Information

Access

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Citation

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Biographical and Historical Note

The Paine College Concert Choir was organized in the spring of 1960. This was a group of 35 students chosen by careful examination from the college chorus, which usually numbered 55, to represent the college on tour. The repertoire of the group included both sacred and secular

compositions from 16th century polyphony through contemporary. The concert featured a group of spirituals and folk songs, as well as music by Lassus, Palestrina, Handel, Haydn, Schubert, Brahms, Clokey and Sibelius. Also included in the program was a group of madrigals by the newly formed Madrigal Singers. The Students in the choir gave of their time to prepare music for an average of 20 to 25 performances per year. Since Paine College did not offer a major in music during that time, most of the students sung for the sheer joy music brought to them and others. The director of the choir was Mr. Frank M. Calhoun, Instructor of Music at Paine College, and the accompanist Mr. Roosevelt Simpkins, a graduate of Paine College. An album recording was made in live performance at Haygood Hall, Paine College, Augusta, Georgia, on the evening of April 7, 1967. The recording was made by The Paine College audiovisual department, Mr. D.W.G. Lawson, Director, in consultation with Mr. Charles Andrews of Century Records and radio station WBIA.

(Excerpt from album cover)

Scope and Content

The file on the Paine College Concert Choir includes programs, photographs, newspaper clippings, history, and a concert album. Material spans 1955-2003.

General Note

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Folder 7 Paine College Concert, Gospel and Show Choirs, Spring Tour 2003 – April 27,

2003-May 25, 2003

Folder 8 The Concert Choir of Paine College in Detroit, MI, April 8, 1972

Scrapbook 1 – Paine College Choral Activities, 1975-1976 Scrapbook 2 – Paine College Church Music Workshop, 1976 Recording Album 1 – The Paine College Concert Choir – Spring Concert 1967

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