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Detroit Adventure Records

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1959-1980

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Abstract

Detroit Adventure was a coalition of arts organizations formed in 1959 to promote cultural conversation and experience in the greater Detroit area. In its 21 years of operation, Detroit Adventure served many functions in the pursuit of its mission: to organize, coordinate, and promote the fine arts in the Metro Detroit region. Detroit Adventure was initially a collaboration between Wayne State University, the Detroit Institute of Arts, and the Detroit Public Library. The coalition eventually grew to include as many as 36 cultural organizations. In its early years it organized an annual series of seminars at the McGregor Memorial Conference Center on the Wayne State campus; its other activities included summer arts festivals and the Noel Night holiday festival, which first took place in 1974. The organization was dissolved in 1980 when Wayne State University, which had traditionally paid its staffing and administrative costs, cut its funding.

Detroit Adventure produced calendars of cultural events taking place in Metro Detroit. The bulk of this collection consists of Detroit Adventure events calendars, flyers, and programs; also included are promotional materials for the Excursions in Music project.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in chronological order.

Box 1

Detroit Adventure programs and calendars, 1959-1971.

Box 2

Detroit Adventure programs and calendars, 1972-1980.
Excursions in Music, n.d.