**STARLING, EARL A., 1907-1927.**
Earl A. and Sara Braswell Starling papers, circa 1920-1969

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**Creator:** Starling, Earl A., 1907-1927.

**Title:** Earl A. and Sara Braswell Starling papers, circa 1920-1969

**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 1212

**Extent:** 2 linear feet (2 boxes) and 1 oversized papers folder (OP)

**Abstract:** Papers of African American musician and composer Earl A. Starling and his wife Sara Braswell Starling, including correspondence, photographs, original scores, scrapbooks, sound recordings, architectural drawings of the Starling's home, and some materials relating to Sara Braswell Starling's family.

**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Earl A. Starling (1907-1997) was a musician, composer and educator who lived and worked in Atlanta, Georgia.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of Earl A. Starling and his wife Sara Braswell Starling. It includes correspondence, photographs, original scores, scrapbooks, sound recordings, and some materials relating to Sara Braswell Starling's family. Also included are architectural drawings of the Starling's home, the "round house" in Collier Heights, Atlanta, designed by African American architect J.W. Robertson. The collection also contains a small amount of materials relating to Starling's first wife, Marion Wilson Starling, particularly her book *The Slave Narrative: Its Place in American History*.

Arrangement Note
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