

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

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### **Descriptive Summary**

**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 ft. (2 boxes) and 1 oversized paper (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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### **Administrative Information**

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#### **Source**

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#### **Citation**

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#### **Processing**

Unprocessed collection.

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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**

Unprocessed collection.

## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1		Correspondence; scores
2		Scrapbooks; photo albums; yearbooks; insurance records; Braswell family materials; sound recordings; <i>The Slave Narrative: Its Place in American History</i>
OP1		Round house architectural drawings

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