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Combined Unions Choir Collection

Size 1 box, 1 parcel

Contents Administrative and performance records, photographs, song books, 1 score, 1 poster, 2 videocassettes

Date range 1988 to 1997

Biography The Combined Unions Choir is a Brisbane-based choir of trade unionists and others who share a commitment to the labour movement and its musical culture. It is supported by the Queensland Council of Unions.

Notes Open access

Box 1

Videos:
- *Gung Ho to Paradise: a community theatre pageant* (copyright ACTU Queensland Branch) [1056]
- *Choirs to Congress* 1997 [1058]

Marco Shortez. ‘The CUC Inchoiry (working title)’, score, photocopied, in plastic folder
Poster, ‘The biggest free concert ever; the Redbank Concert for a Living Planet’ 18 June 19??

Folder 1

List of known CUC performances
Photocopy of pages from Combined Unions Choir Tenth Anniversary Song Book (1998)
Various newspaper cuttings and articles about the Choir’s history

Folder 2


*Sing in’Time To The Beat Of The Bomb: Songs for a Sane World.* Peace Committee for International Co-operation and Disarmament. Annandale: Union Printing.

*Eureka Youth League Anniversary Song Book.* R. Mortimer (ed.). Melbourne: Coronation Press. 1962?

Title unknown (Missing Cover). Forest Lodge: Newsletter Printery.


*Walton’s 132 best Irish Songs and Ballads.* Dublin (?). Fodhla Printing
Folder 3


*Reedy River.* Diamond, D. South Yarra. Heinemann Educational Australia PTY LTD.


*Working Class and National Songs.* SI: sn, nd.

Files in cardboard document folders, 1988 to 1997

Parcel 2

Photo albums in 4 ring binders:

- **1988 to 1992**
  - Contains photographs grouped by year and under the following headings: 1988. Getting organized; May Day; Christmas. 1989 : May Day; Coffs Harbour, the bus, at the motel, the theatre, meeting the Newcastle People’s Chorus, Rehearsing, Printing T-shirts, Songwriting workshop, Conducting workshop, Discussion and farewell, Recording session, Libby Sara goes bush for six months…, and Michael Roper takes over; Laurel Power elected MLA; Maleny Folk Festival. 1990 : Remembering Ewan McColl and Jim Peterson; Opening the art space under the TWU Building; Rehearsal break; Hiroshima Day; Gulf War peace demo; Union of Australian Women 40 years. 1991 : Barcaldine Shearers’ Strike commemoration; the Tree of Knowledge; Speeches; Billet; The re-enactment; Free breakfast from a hotel; Waiting to rehearse; Women’s conference; Inside the theatre; the railway station; Dawn on the way home; May Day in Brisbane; Festival Fringe. 1992 : TLC May Day dinner. 1993 : Maleny, the Flames of Discontent

- **1993 to 1996**
  - Contains photographs grouped by year and under the following headings: 1993 : African songs project; African songs concert in Sydney; a billet; box office; back stage; At the concert Solidarity Choir of Sydney; Voices from the Vacant Lot; Halt on the way back to Brisbane; Latin American songs project; Archbishop Tutu sings with the choir. 1994 : Mark Shortis; May Day; Stradbroke Island festival; the new banner; Jacinto Herrera; Christmas. 1995 : Palm Sunday; May Day; Opening the Queensland Women in War exhibition; Union Choir’s greatest hits. 1996 : Festival Hall election rally 27 February; Palm Sunday; Limestone Cabaret - in Ipswich, and Paddington; Emma Miller fundraiser; Commemorating the Ipswich Rail Workshops; Mark and Adrienne’s wedding; At rehearsal; New offices for Queensland Advocacy Inc
• 1997
  Contains photographs grouped under the following headings: Australia Day Reconciliation Choir; Reconciliation Choir reunion and recording; Palm Sunday; May Day; Lord Mayor’s reception for Archbishop Napier; Anti-racism rally in Ipswich; Choirs to congress; welcome buffet; Conductors meet; Rehearsals – in the TLC Building; and at Culturebank; Concert at Culturebank; Concert in Ipswich; Women’s Reconciliation dinner; Soiree at Roger’s.

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  Contains photocopied photographs, one photograph each per A4 paper; with handwritten notes identifying people.