

# Washington National Cathedral Recordings Collection

## An inventory of Washington National Cathedral Recordings at DC Public Library

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	People's Archive, MLK Library
<b>Creator:</b>	Washington National Cathedral (Washington, D.C.)
<b>Title:</b>	Washington National Cathedral, Gloria in Excelsis Tower Dedication Recordings Collection
<b>ID:</b>	079
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1964-05-07
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 Linear feet
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1 Boxes
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
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## Biographical / Historical

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In 1907, Bishop Henry Satterlee wrote that he hoped the central tower of the then-proposed Washington National Cathedral would be named the Gloria in Excelsis Tower. George A. Fuller Company began construction on the Cathedral in 1910, though the central tower was not completed until the early 1960s. Decorative details such as the carved angels and shields were finally put into place by February 1964. On May 7, 1964, the Cathedral held a dedication ceremony for the tower, which included mass and a choir performance.

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## Scope and Contents

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This collection includes two (2) LPs with a recording of the performance at Washington National Cathedral's Gloria in Excelsis Tower dedication, as well as a book of the dedication ceremony, which includes sheet music.

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## Arrangement

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Processed without series.

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## Administrative Information

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### Revision Description

Finding aid revised to be more evergreen. 2020-07-15

### Custodial History

This collection was accessioned into the Library in July 1998, though the donor is unknown.

### Processing Information

Basic archival procedures were used at the time of processing.

### Conditions Governing Use

No known restrictions.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- City churches
- Music
- Choirs (Music)
- Religion
- Massachusetts Heights (Washington, D.C.)

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## Collection Inventory

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Series 1		
Title/Description	Instances	
The Gloria in Excelsis Tower Dedication Book by the Reverend William G. Workman - Washington National Cathedral, May 7 1964	Box 1	Folder 1
The Gloria in Excelsis Tower Dedication, LP, Side 1 and Side 4, Undated	Box 1	Folder 2
The Gloria in Excelsis Tower Dedication, LP, Side 2 and Side 3, Undated	Box 1	Folder 3

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