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Digitising John Cargher 78 rpm records at Monash University Library

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John Cargher Collection

- Donated in 2009
 - By Robyn Walton
 - Matheson Library
- 2000+ vinyl
- 1200+ CDs, LPs, etc.
- ephemeral material
- 68 singers
- 34 conductors



*Autographed photograph of Nellie Melba with Browning Mummery and John Brownlee
Pictures Collection, H2007.74, State Library of Victoria*

The Project

- Faculty of Arts, Work Integrated Learning
- Professional Practice
- 12 weeks
- First recording collection
- Project start date 2019
- First assessment
 - Selection
 - Copyright clearance

Issues:

- Training
- Small team / High demand
- Equipment



Outcomes

- **Collection Management**
- Preservation
- Digitisation best practice => **reusable**
- Strengthen Collaboration with Faculty
- **Online Collection Discoverability**
- **Promotion**
 - Events, seminars, and exhibition
 - Shareable
 - **Wider Interest**
- **Stories from the Collection**



His Master's Voice
HMV
B.I.E.M.

Description

Hebert Wallace "Wally" Butterworth was a radio announcer. Appears as Wally Butterworth on the label. With Soprano (Alda). This is an interview discussing the recording of the following track.

Student reflection

“I was able to contribute to a project important for the Library and the community of artists”

“The project has highlighted the issue of managing noise in the recorded audio files”

“I suggested problem solutions in discussion with the Digitisation Coordinator”

“I learned what it means to work in a team and in a Digitisation Centre”

“I am willing to know more about these singers and John Cargher’s story”

ENGAGEMENT

IMPACT

COMMUNITY