

# Laurence Picken Papers

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## Collection Summary

**Title:** Laurence Picken Papers

**Span Dates:** 1900-2001

**Bulk Dates:** (bulk 1936-1999)

**Call No.:** ML31.P53

**Creator:** Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland

**Extent:** approximately 22,400 items ; 70 containers ; 38.5 linear feet

**Language:** Collection material chiefly in English and Chinese.

**Location:** Music Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

**Summary:** Laurence Picken was a British zoologist and musicologist who specialized in Asian, particularly Chinese, music. The collection primarily contains research materials, correspondence, writings, publications, and other items related to Picken's career and his study of East Asian musical traditions, especially those of the Tang Court. In addition, there are manuscript and published scores for Picken's musical compositions, transcriptions of traditional East Asian music, and some photographs.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### People

Fukushima, Kazuo, 1930-

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland--Archives.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland--Correspondence.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland--Manuscripts.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland--Photographs.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland. Music from the Tang Court.

Picken, Laurence Ernest Rowland. Musical works. Selections.

### Subjects

Music--Asia--History and criticism.

Music--China--History and criticism.

Music--East Asia.

Music--Japan--History and criticism.

Music--Manuscripts.

Musical instruments--East Asia.

Musical instruments--Turkey.

Musicologists--England.

Tōgaku.

### Titles

*Musica Asiatica.*

### Form/Genre

Articles.

Correspondence.

Drafts (Documents)

Essays.

Lectures.

Notebooks.

Notes.

Photographic prints.

# Administrative Information

## Provenance

Gift, Laurence Picken, 2002.

## Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

## Processing History

The Laurence Picken Papers were processed by Megan Murph, Christopher Hartten, Anthony Edwards, and Thomas Barrick in 2011. Thomas Barrick coded the finding aid for EAD format in 2011.

## Transfers

Sound and video recordings from the Laurence Picken Papers have been transferred to the Library of Congress Motion Picture, Broadcasting, and Recorded Sound Division. An inventory of this material is available in the Music Division's collection file.

A digital access copy (MAVIS no. 2324016) of the Tom Knott and Jon Newsom documentary *On the Road to Tang*, about Picken's research on the music of the Tang Court, is available for viewing in the Library of Congress, Moving Image Research Center.

## Copyright Status

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## Access and Restrictions

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## Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: [item, date, container number], Laurence Picken Papers, Music Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

# Biographical Note

British zoologist and musicologist Laurence Ernest Rowland Picken was born on July 16, 1909 in Nottingham, England. He studied piano as a child, and composed music during the mid-1920s and 1930s. In 1928, he won a scholarship to Trinity College, Cambridge and studied natural sciences. During the 1930s, he held a Rockefeller Studentship in the Geneva School of Chemistry for two years where he became fluent in French and German and conducted groundbreaking scientific research. He finished his Ph.D. in 1935. In 1944, he became a fellow at Jesus College, Cambridge, and in 1946 assistant director of research in the zoology faculty, spending the next twenty years researching and teaching biology. In 1944, he joined Joseph Needham's scientific mission to China where he studied Chinese music and learned to play the zither. In 1959, Picken was appointed visiting professor of zoology at Washington University. He published his landmark book *The Organization of Cells and other Organisms* the following year in 1960.

Though employed as a scientist, Picken published his first musical paper in 1950 on the identification of an unknown fugue by Bach. His reputation as a musicologist grew along with his knowledge and understanding of Asian culture and he continued to publish papers and encyclopedia entries on Asian music throughout 1950s. Picken served as editor for the journal of the International Folk Music Council in the 1960s. In 1966, he was appointed assistant director of research in the faculty of oriental studies at Cambridge. In 1977, he started the journal *Musica Asiatica* which he would co-edit until 1984. Picken donated over 700 musical instruments to the Museum of Archaeology and Anthropology at Cambridge in 1977.

The music of the Chinese Tang and Song dynasties was the major focus of Picken's lifelong scholarship. In 1972, he began to transcribe and analyze pieces from the secular Tang court repertory in Japan which led to a projected 25-volume series *Music from the Tang Court* (1981-2000), of which Picken would complete only seven volumes. Picken also wrote on the music of Turkey, central Asia, Southeast Asia, and the Middle East. In 1975, he published *The Folk Musical Instruments of Turkey*, a comprehensive study of Turkish instruments. In 1990, Picken and N.J. Nickson supervised and directed a program of Tang and Song dynasty transcriptions at the Shanghai Conservatory of Music. Starting in 1998, Picken was also involved with the Ancient Asian Music Project at the Library of Congress. He died at the age of 97 on March 16, 2007, in Cambridge, England.

## Scope and Content Note

The Laurence Picken Papers span the period 1900-2001 with the majority of materials dating from 1936-1999. The materials include project files, research materials, business and personal correspondence, published and unpublished writings, scores of Picken's own compositions, and photographs.

Materials in the Project Files series are centered around Picken's studies in East Asian music and range from the 1950s through the mid-1990s. These contain essay notes and drafts, translations, concert programs, miscellaneous research materials, instrument collection files, and a handful of personal files. Picken's articles and research materials for *Musica Asiatica* and his influential *Music from the Tang Court* stand out as items of particular interest. His original folder titles have been used where appropriate, although it is possible that some contain alternative or erroneous spellings and transliterations.

The Correspondence series consists of personal and business letters sent or received by Laurence Picken. Many of the letters relating to his activities discuss aspects of Picken's collaborative studies and publications between 1936 and 2001. The letters to his family include postcards from his travels abroad.

The Writings series contains articles, essays, and lectures by Picken, his notebooks, and books written for Picken. In addition, there are offprints by Picken, his students, and colleagues that were used in research. Materials in the Music series include manuscript and printed scores of Picken's compositions, dating from the 1920s and 1930s. There are also transcriptions of traditional East Asian music made by Picken and others between the 1950s and 2000. Rounding out the collection is the small Photographs series which contains images of Picken, traditional Chinese and Japanese musical instruments, and various performances of world music, dating from the 1930s to 1990s.

## Organization of the Laurence Picken Papers

The Laurence Picken Papers are organized in five series:

- [Project Files, circa 1950-1999](#)
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## Description of Series

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### *Series*

#### Project Files, circa 1950-1999

Chiefly research materials related to published papers and scholarly topics of interest to Picken. Includes photocopies of various original Chinese documents, drafts of publications, correspondence, and notes.

Arranged alphabetically by folder title. Picken's original captions have been used whenever possible, although these may contain alternative or erroneous spellings of words. Article titles in the container list may not reflect those of actual published materials.

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#### Correspondence, 1900-2001

Chiefly letters concerning scholarly projects, family matters, and travel.

Arranged in four subseries: letters to Picken; letters from Picken; family correspondence; and related correspondence. Each subseries arranged chronologically.

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#### Writings, circa 1930-2000

Articles, essays, lectures, and notebooks. Most materials have accompanying correspondence and notes. Includes offprints of works by various authors (including Picken) used in the course of research.

Arranged in five subseries: lectures; notebooks; papers edited by Picken; offprints about Chinese music; and books written for Picken. Each subseries is arranged alphabetically by title, author, or subject.

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#### Music, circa 1923-2000

Manuscript and printed scores of original Picken compositions and transcriptions of traditional East Asian music.

Arranged alphabetically by title of work or folder title.

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#### Photographs, circa 1930-circa 1990

Individual and group portraits, musical instruments, world music performances, and other images. Includes negatives.

Arranged alphabetically by subject.

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BOX-FOLDER 1/1	"Acculturation and the Tōgaku repertory" (Picken/Marett)
BOX-FOLDER 1/2	Afterwards for Picken, Adkins, Page
BOX-FOLDER 9/1	"An Afghan quail-lure of typological and acoustic interest"
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BOX-FOLDER 9/2	"Ancient matters" - Koji-ruien
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### BOX 19-52

#### Correspondence, 1900-2001

Chiefly letters concerning scholarly projects, family matters, and travel.

Arranged in four subseries: letters to Picken; letters from Picken; family correspondence; and related correspondence. Each subseries arranged chronologically.

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#### Writings, circa 1930-2000

Articles, essays, lectures, and notebooks. Most materials have accompanying correspondence and notes. Includes offprints of works by various authors (including Picken) used in the course of research.

Arranged in five subseries: lectures; notebooks; papers edited by Picken; offprints about Chinese music; and books written for Picken. Each subseries is arranged alphabetically by title, author, or subject.

#### Lectures

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