

Timme Rosenkrantz's Collection



Timme Rosenkrantz (1911-1969) was an author, jazz enthusiast and collector, lecturer and radio personality in Denmark and New York. His record collection is dominated by Swing music, and includes 1,679 78s, 170 EPs, 1,055 LPs, 411 acetates, 923 open-reel tapes and 103 books. The acetates are unique because they are privately cut lacquer discs — live recordings Rosenkrantz himself made, on professional machines, of famous musicians in New York during World War II, or recorded from live radio broadcasts.

Along with the discs, many of them rarities, there are wire recordings from a large number of memorable jazz concerts recorded from Danish, Swedish and American radio broadcasts, which are not preserved elsewhere. In addition, there are many catalogues, clippings and radio broadcast scripts and articles, as well as an impressive collection of over 3,000 photos of musicians and orchestras, many taken by Rosenkrantz himself.

300 of these photos were published in Frank Büchmann-Møller's book, *Is This To Be My Souvenir? Jazz Photos From The Timme Rosenkrantz Collection 1918-1969* (Odense University Press, 2000).