

Michael Cooney poster collection, circa 1960s-1982



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Collection Summary

Title: Michael Cooney poster collection, circa 1960s-1982

Span Dates: 1960-1982

Call No.: AFC 1982/024

Creator: Cooney, Michael B., 1943-

Extent: 95 items.

Extent: 6 oversized folders: 1 container (5 folders), 1 oversized folder.

Extent (graphic materials): approximately 95 posters : color, black and white ; various sizes.

Language: Collection material in English

Location: Archive of Folk Culture, American Folklife Center, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Collection of folk festival posters and concert advertisements featuring Michael Cooney, Joan Baez, Guy Carawan, David Bromberg, Barbara Dane, Jim Garland, John Hammond, Sam Hinton, Bessie Jones, Norman Kennedy, Jim Kweskin, New Lost City Ramblers, Jean Ritchie, Pete Seeger, Peggy Seeger, Frank Stovall, James Taylor, Dave Von Ronk, among others, for various events across the United States, many undated, circa 1960-1982. Some posters are autographed. Includes a few St. Brigid's Day and St. David's Day broadsides.

Provenance

The collection was created by, Michael Cooney; Donation; 1982

Accruals

No further accruals are expected.

Processing History

The Michael Cooney poster collection, circa 1960s-1982 was processed by Valda Morris and Carolina Restrepo in December 2020.

Copyright Status

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Access and Restrictions

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Michael Cooney is a musician, writer, and key contributor to the the American folk revival. He was born in Carmel, California, in 1943, and was raised in Tucson, Arizona. Soon after high school, he traveled the country and his interest in folk and blues music grew. In 1963, he participated in a Young Folksinger's Contest at the Monterey Folk Festival and began performing regularly. By 1964, he began traveling the country and performing in and organizing performances in numerous halls, clubs, coffee shops, and folk festivals throughout U.S., Canada, Mexico, Great Britain, and Europe. He served on several boards including the National Folk Festival and the Newport Folk Festival. As a performer, he participated at most of the major North American folk festivals held in Washington, D.C., Newport, Philadelphia, Mariposa, Winnipeg, Vancouver, Monterey, Berkeley, and San Diego, among many others. He is a longtime contributor and columnist for Sing Out! and has several albums including *The Cheese Stands Alone* (1968), *Singer of Old Songs* (1976), *Still Cooney After All These Years* (1979), *Pure Unsweetened* (1982), and *Together Again* (2002).

Scope and Content

The collection includes fliers and posters documenting Cooney's musical performances and folk festivals he organized between ca. 1960-1982. Posters from performances by several prominent folk music figures, ranging from Pete Seeger to New Lost City Ramblers, are included. Information pertaining to the posters are gathered from the items themselves. Most of the fliers and posters are undated but have other pertinent information about who was performing and where the event was taking place.

Arrangement

The Michael Cooney poster collection, circa 1960s-1982 has one series:

- [Series 1: Posters, ca 1963-1976.](#)

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Cooney, Michael B., 1943-

Subjects

Concerts--Posters.

Folk festivals--Posters.

Folk music festivals--Posters.

Folk musicians--United States.

Form/Genre

Broadsides.

Performing arts posters--1960-1980.

Posters.

Description of Series

Container

Series

[Series 1: Posters, ca. 1963-1976](#)

Container List

Container	Contents
	Series 1: Posters, ca. 1963-1976
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR01	Pete Seeger, June 9 Extent: color, 11 x 14 1/2 in. Pete Seeger sings in concert, Wednesday, June 9 at 8:15 pm, Civic Theatre.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR02	Pete Seeger, December 15 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. Pete Seeger in concert, Friday, December 15th at 8:30pm, presented by the Pittsburgh Folklore Society and Carnegie Ceilidh, Carnegie Music Hall, Oakland.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR03	Frank Werner, April 6 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. Frank Werner an evening of songs and stories, Saturday, April 6th at 8:30pm, presented by the Pittsburgh Folklore Society and Carnegie Ceilidh, Carnegie Lecture Hall, Oakland.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR04	Frank George, Aunt Jenny Wilson and Russell Fluharty, October 28 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. West Virginia traditional instrumental and vocal music, Frank George, Aunt Jenny Wilson, Russell Fluharty, Saturday, October 28th at 8:30pm, presented by the Pittsburgh Folklore Society and Carnegie Ceilidh, Carnegie Lecture Hall, Oakland.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR05	Norman Kennedy, Lou Killen, and Maggi Kerr Peirce, November 18 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. England, Ireland and Scotland Traditional Ballads and Songs, Norman Kennedy, Lou Killen, Maggi Kerr Peirce, Saturday, November 18th at 8:30pm, presented by the Pittsburgh Folklore Society and Carnegie Ceilidh, Carnegie Lecture Hall, Oakland.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR06	Gospel Music from the Hill, February 24 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. Gospel Music from the Hill, Saturday, February 24th at 8:30pm, presented by the Pittsburgh Folklore Society and Carnegie Ceilidh, Carnegie Lecture Hall, Oakland.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS01-GR07	Pittsburgh Folk Music Concert, March 16 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. Pittsburgh Folk Music Concert, Saturday, March 16th at 8:30pm, presented by the Pittsburgh Folklore Society and Carnegie Ceilidh, Carnegie Lecture Hall, Oakland.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR01	The Masked Marvel, The incredible Bill Hinkley et al., February 12 Extent: black and white, 14 x 8 1/2 in. Benefit starring the Masked Marvel, The incredible Bill Hinkley and Judy Larson with Phil Platt, Ceilidh Style, Sunday, February 12, Live at The Extemp.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR02	Kingston Ceilidh folk music workshop, September 26 Extent: color, 13 x 7 in.

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Item ID: AFC 982/024:OS02-GR03	Kingston Ceilidh folk music workshop, 8:00pm, Fine Arts Center, URI, September 26th, October 17th, November 14th, and December 12th. Kingston Ceilidh folk music workshop, March 7 Extent: color, 12 x 9 in. Kingston Ceilidh folk music workshop, 8:00pm, Recital Hall, Fine Arts Center, URI, March 7th, April 11th, and May 2nd.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR04	Kingston Ceilidh folk music workshop, February 21 Extent: color, 14 x 8 1/2 in. Kingston Ceilidh folk music workshop, Friday, Friday 21st at 8:00pm, Room C100, Fine Arts Center, URI.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR05	The New Lost City Ramblers, February 4 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. The New Lost City Ramblers, presented in concert by the Pittsburgh Folkloric Society and Carnegie Ceilidh in the ballroom of Skibo at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, Saturday, February 4th at 8:30pm.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR06	The New Lost City Ramblers, April 29 Extent: black and white, 14 x 11 in. The New Lost City Ramblers, Sunday, April 29th at 2:30pm at Hoover High Auditorium.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR08	Gospel Blues, March 10, 1967 Extent: black and white, 14 x 11 in. The Pittsburgh Folklore Society and the Carnegie Ceilidh present Gospel Blues, Friday, March 10, 1967 at 8:30pm in the Wherrett room of Skibo at the Carnegie Institute of Technology, a concert of traditional music from the hill, The Gospel Lights, The Travelaires, The Golden Rings, et al.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR09	British and American folk festival favorites Extent: color, 11 x 15 in. Downtown Sounds/Second Fret Coffeehouse presents a concert series for young and old with British and American folk festival favorites, 7:15 and 9:15 shows.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR10	Norman Kennedy, Sara Grey, and Peter R. Hoover, December 9, 1966 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. The Pittsburgh Folklore Society and the Carnegie Ceilidh present a concert of traditional ballads from Scotland and Appalachia with Norman Kennedy, Sara Grey, and Peter R. Hoover, Friday, December 9th 1966 at 8:30pm, Wherrett Rm, Skibo, Carnegie Institute of Technology.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR11	The Sixth Annual Berkeley Folk Music Festival Children's Folk Song Concerts, June 28-29 Extent: color, 15 1/2 x 11 in. The Associated Students of the University of California present the Sixth Annual Berkeley Folk Music Festival Children's Folk Song Concerts, Pete Seeger and Sam Hinton, Friday and Saturday, June 28 and 29 at 10:30 am, Pauley Ballroom, Bancroft and Telegraph, Berkeley.

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Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR12	The Sixth Annual Berkeley Folk Music Festival, June 26-29 Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. Workshops, the sixth annual Berkeley Folk Music Festival, presented by the Associated Students of the University of California, June 26-29.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR13	Kent State University Folk Festival, January 14-16 Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. Kent State University Folk Festival, January 14-16 at 8:00pm.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR14	Southern Folk Festival Tour Extent: color, 15 1/2 x 11 in. Southern Folk Festival Tour, Southern Folk Culture Revival Project.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS02-GR15	Southern Folk Festival Tour Extent: color, 15 1/2 x 11 in. Southern Folk Festival Tour, Southern Folk Culture Revival Project.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR01	Mother Earth concert, March 15 Extent: color, 14 x 8 1/2 in. Mother Earth, Sunday, March 15 at 7:30pm at The Electric Factory, produced as benefit for Sing Out Magazine.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR02	The Attic Extent: color, 14 x 8 1/2 in. The Attic, 1201 Broadway, Boulder, Colorado, espresso, coffee, entertainment, nightly.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR03	Redcar Folk Festival 1968, August 16-18, 1968 Extent: color, 15 x 10 in. Redcar Folk Festival 1968, Aug 16th, 17th, 18th, programme and details from the secretary Cutty Wren Folk Club.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR04	2nd Annual Western Regional Folk Festival, October 9-11 Extent: color, 14 x 8 1/2 in. 2nd Annual Western Regional Folk Festival, October 9, 10, 11, Ft. Barry/Cronkhite in the Golden Gate National Recreation Center area, Co-sponsored by the Nation Folk Festival Association, A National Park Service Bicentennial event.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR05	The New England Festival of Folk Music and Craft Fair, August 20-22, 1976 Extent: color, 14 x 8 1/2 in. The New England Festival of Folk Music and Craft Fair, New England fiddlers convention and string band reunion, Waterville Valley, NH, August 20-22, 1976.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR06	Sign Of The Sun Folk Music Extent: color, 8 1/2 x 13 in. Sign Of The Sun Folk Music, set of four programs begin each evening at 8:30, 4701 College Ave.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS03-GR07	Barbara Dane, March 15 Extent: color, 11 x 8 1/2 in.

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- Barbara Dane, Friday, March 15, 9-1, Bear's Lair Cabaret, sponsored by ASMC Union Program Board.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS03-GR08
- Traditional Kentucky Mountain Folk songs, March 22, 1963
- Extent:** color, 18 x 12 in.
13th Ave Gallery presents Traditional Kentucky Mtn, Folk Song sung by Jim Garland, Friday, March 22, 1963, 9pm, 226 S.E. Hawthorne.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS03-GR09
- Micheal Cooney, November 12-17
- Extent:** color, 8 1/2 x 16 in.
Micheal Cooney, November 12-17, The Exciting Flamenco Guitar of Carmen Ripepe, Sunday nights.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS03-GR10
- MSU Folk Festival, September 1-October 1
- Extent:** color, 14 x 8 1/2 in.
The Ten Pound Fiddle presents The First Occassional MSU Folk Festival, 8pm Friday and Saturday September 1-October 1, MSU Union Building Parlors, presented by the MSU Folksong Society and the ASMSU programing board.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS03-GR11
- Hootenanny, December 6, 7, 13-14
- Extent:** color, 11 x 17 in.
Hootenanny -- Sunday 3pm, The First Step 3015 North Campbell, grand opening featuring Michael Cooney and Bob Kimmell appearing Friday and Saturday December 6 and 7 and December 13 and 14.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS03-GR12
- Farewell concert with Michael Cooney March 20
- Extent:** black and white, 17 x 11 in.
Michael Cooney, Farewell Concert, War Memorial Hall at 9:00pm, Friday March 20.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS03-GR13
- Woody Guthrie's California to the New York Island with Don Mclean and Michael Cooney, April 20, 1969
- Extent:** black and white, 17 x 11 in.
Pick'n' and Sing'n' Gather'n presents Woody Guthrie's California to the New York Island with Don Mclean and Michael Cooney, Sunday, April 20, 1969, 8pm, Shaker High School Auditorium, Latham, New York, Hudson River Sloop Restoration.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS04-GR01
- One Man Folk Festival with Michael Cooney, April 14, 1972
- Extent:** color, 15 1/2 x 5 1/2 in.
Michael Cooney, One Man Folk Festival, Wright State University Artist and Lecture Series, Friday, April 14, 1972, Oelman Auditorium 8:00pm.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS04-GR02
- Singer of Old Songs, May 1
- Extent:** color, 15 1/2 x 5 1/2 in.
Michael Cooney, Singer of Old Songs, Union Bldg auditorium, Tuesday, May 1.
- Item ID:** AFC
1982/024:OS04-GR03
- Singer of Old Songs
- Extent:** color, 17 x 11 in.
The Minneapolis Folklore Society Presents: Michael Cooney...singer of old songs, 8:30, February 16 and 17, Walker Church, This concert made possible in part by a grant from the Minnesota State Arts Board.

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Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR04	Michael Cooney, September 21 Extent: color, 11 1/2 x 17 in. The Pioneer Valley Folklore Society begins its fall concert series with Michael Cooney, Sunday, September 21, Grace Church Parish Hall, Amherst, 8:00pm, funded in part by the Mass. Council on the Arts and Humanities.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR05	Michael Cooney, One-man Folk Festival, Sing Out, The Folksong Magazine Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. Michael Cooney, One-man Folk Festival, Sing Out, The Folksong Magazine
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR06	Michael Cooney concert, October 26 Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. Michael Cooney Concert, October 26, 8:00pm, Rutgers Student Center.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR07	Li Hibou, September 5-10 Extent: color, 14 x 10 1/2 in. Li Hibou, September 5-10, Guest Artists: Path.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR08	One-man Folk Festival Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. Michael Cooney, One-man Folk Festival.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR09	The Bedtime Story and Michael Cooney, September 20 Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. The Bedtime Story and Michael Cooney, Dance and Coffee House, Saturday, September 20th, 8:30pm.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS04-GR10	One man folk festival with Michael Cooney, September 19 Extent: color, 17 1/2 x 11 1/2 in. U.U.A.B. Coffeehouse presents Michael Cooney "a one-man folk fesitval," Saturday, September 19, 8:30pm, Squire Hall Rathskellar.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR01	The Folk Club Magazine, January 1 Extent: color, 20 x 15 in. Buy British Buy Club Folk, The Folk Club Magazine 1/6 on sale here or from Cecil Sharp Hse.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR02	The Portable Folk Festival! Extent: color, 22 x 17 in. The Portable Folk Festival!, [festival poster depicting drawing of bus and concert dates along perimeter].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR03	Guy Carawan, April 25 Extent: black and white, 20 x 14 in. The Ballad and Folksong Club presents Guy Carawan, C.S.U. student center theater, 7:30pm, Wednesday, April 25.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR04	Peggy Seeger, October 28 Extent: black and white, 22 x 14 in.

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	Peggy Seeger, Concert and Hootenanny, Saturday, October 28, 7:30pm, Temple of Music and Art.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR05	Travis Edmonson with Connie Clark and "Those Three Guys," November 5 Extent: black and white, 22 x 24 in. David Graham and Tau Delta Phi presents Travis in concert, Travis Edmonson with Connie Clark and "Those Three Guys," Temple of Music and Art, Sunday, November 5, 8pm.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR06	James Taylor, Michael Cooney, David Bromberg, and Electric Cowboy, April 4 Extent: black and white, 20 x 14 in. Benefit concert starring James Taylor and Michael Cooney, David Bromberg, Electric Cowboy, proceeds benefiting Connecticut Citizen's Action Group and Conn - P.I.R.G., Wednesday, April 4th, 7:00p.m., Palace Theater Waterbury.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR07	Mike Cooney, January 19 Extent: black and white, 20 x 14 in. Folklore Society, Mike Cooney, Sunday, January 19, 8:00pm, Schwab Auditorium.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR08	Michael Cooney, The One-man Folk Festival, April 25 Extent: color, 19 1/2 x 14 in. We all pay for nuclear accidents, Michael Cooney, The One-man Folk Festival in concert for the benefit of the Rochester Safe Energy Alliance, Wednesday, April 25th 8pm at the Unitarian Church.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR09	Sing by the Sea Extent: color, 22 x 14 in. Sing by the Sea, The Philadelphia Music Workshop presents free outdoor musical entertainment at Penn's Landing on the Delaware River, Phila 76 Inc., OPDC Penn's Landing Corp, Phila Maritime Museum, featuring sea chanties, square dancing, gospel, jazz, bluegrass, and folk music from America, the British Isles, and other nations.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR10	Michael Cooney, singer of old songs Extent: color, 24 x 13 in. Michael Cooney, singer of old songs, Front Hall Records [picture of young Michael Cooney sitting with guitar].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS05-GR11	Michael Cooney Extent: color, 18 1/2 x 12 1/2 in. Michael Cooney
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR01	St. Brigid Extent: color, 12 x 7 in. St. Brigid, Feb. 1, health and prosperity to you in the coming year!, George, Gerry, Becky, and Jenny Armstrong, [Pamphlet depicting drawing of St. Brigid's cross and history].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR02	St. David's Day, March 1 Extent: color, 12 x 7 in. St. David's Day, March 1, Why, on St. David's Day, do Welshmen seek To beautify their hat with verdant leek?, Health and prosperity to you in the coming year!, George, Gerry, Becky, Jenny Armstrong.

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Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR03	The Pittsburgh Folk Music Society and Carnegie Ceilidh Concert Series, 1967-1968 Extent: color, 14 x 11 in. The Pittsburgh Folk Music Society and Carnegie Ceilidh Concert Series 1967-1968, Carnegie Mellon University.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR04	Herb David Guitar Studio Extent: color, 15 1/2 x 12 in. Herb David Guitar Studio, 209 S. State, 66-58001, [Cover with illustration of a hand and words in Latin].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR05	The Folk Shop Extent: color, 14 1/2 x 13 in. The Folk Shop, Cecil Sharp House, 2 Regents Park Road, London, N.W. 1, [Cover decorated with drawings and words].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR06	The Portable Folk Festival Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. The Portable Folk Festival, [festival poster with announcement in different fonts and autographed signatures]
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR07	The Portable Folk Festival Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. The Portable Folk Festival, [festival poster with announcement in different fonts and autographed signatures].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR08	The Portable Folk Festival Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. The Portable Folk Festival, [festival poster with announcement in different fonts and autographed signatures].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR09	The Portable Folk Festival Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. The Portable Folk Festival, Sponsored by the Newport Folk Foundation, Concerts and workshops in April at Dickenson College in Carlisle, Pennsylvania and Susquehanna University in Selinsgrove, Pennsylvania.
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR10	The Portable Folk Festival, March 24-25 Extent: black and white, 17 x 11 in. The Portable Folk Festival, Sponsored by the Newport Folk Foundation, Concerts and workshops at Fairfield University March 24-25 [Festival poster with announcement in different fonts].
Item ID: AFC 1982/024:OS06-GR11	The Portable Folk Festival, March 24-25 Extent: color, 17 x 11 in. The Portable Folk Festival, Sponsored by the Newport Folk Foundation, Concerts and workshops at Fairfield University March 24-25 [Festival poster with announcement in different fonts].