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Collection Summary

Title: Lord Saltoun Collection of Guitar Music
Span Dates: 1810-1850
Call No.: ML31.S25
Collector: Saltoun, Alexander George Fraser, Lord, 1785-1853
Extent: approximately 100 items
Extent: 4 containers
Extent: 1 linear feet
Language: Collection material in Italian, English, and Spanish
Location: Music Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.
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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
Call, Leonhard von, 1767-1815.
Carulli, Ferdinando, 1770-1841.
Cimarosa, Domenico, 1749-1801.
Ella, John, 1802-1888.
Giorgis, Domenico.
Legnani, Luigi, 1790-1877.
Molino, Francesco, 1768-1847.
Paganini, Nicolò, 1782-1840.
Saltoun, Alexander George Fraser, Lord, 1785-1853, former owner.
Sor, Fernando, 1778-1839.

Subjects
Guitar music--18th century.
Guitar music--19th century.
Guitar with chamber orchestra.
Music--Manuscripts.

Form/Genre
Scores.

Provenance

Accruals
No further accruals are expected.
Processing History

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Biographical Note

Lieutenant-General Alexander George Fraser, 16th Lord Saltoun, was born April 22, 1785, in London. He was a Scottish representative peer and a British Army general who fought in the Napoleonic Wars and the First Opium War. A musical enthusiast, amateur musician, and patron of the arts, Lord Saltoun sponsored the activities of the Società Lirica, which was a group of amateur musicians who performed in private venues. Organized by concert manager and critic John Ella, the society's first chamber music concert was held in Lord Saltoun's house in 1826. At the time of his death, Lord Saltoun was president of the Madrigal Society of London and chairman of the Musical Union. He died on August 18, 1853, in Rothes, Scotland.

Scope and Content Note

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Organization of the Lord Saltoun Collection of Guitar Music

The Collection is organized in one series:
  •  Music, circa 1810-circa 1850
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| **BOX-FOLDER 4/1-4** | Auber, D.F.E.  
La muette de Portici, 1829  
Manuscript parts  
Selection arranged by John Ella, for guitar, strings, flutes, and piano.  
Arranged for Lord Saltoun.  
Purchased in 1947. |
| **BOX-FOLDER 1/7** | Beethoven, Ludwig van.  
Sonata per pianoforte e violoncello opera 69 addatado a Sestetto per violino, flauto, viola, violoncello, contrabasso e chitarra par Mr. Pigotti  
Manuscript parts |
| **BOX-FOLDER 1/8** | Beethoven, Ludwig van.  
Thema con Variazioni e Rondo adapted as a Sestetto for violino, viola, chittarra, violoncello e contrabasso from opera 12  
Manuscript parts |
| **BOX-FOLDER 1/9** | Call, Leonard von.  
Terzetto per violino, viola, e chitarra con Capotasta, op. 100  
Manuscript parts |
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Terzetto per violino, viola, e chitarra con Capotasta, op. 106  
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Cavatina, "L'esser bella"  
Manuscript  
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Fantasie pour guitare et violon, A major  
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Quartetto per flauto, violino, chitarra e violoncello, D major  
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Quartetto per flauto, violino, chitarra e violoncello, no.1, C major  
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Quartetto per flauto, violino, chitarra e violoncello, no. 2, G major  
Manuscript parts |
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Romance "Mise en Musique" avec accompagnement de guitare  
Manuscript  
Incomplete. |
<p>| <strong>BOX-FOLDER 2/1</strong> | Carulli, Ferdinando. |</p>
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Tre gran trio per flauto, violino e chitarra, A major, D major, E minor  
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Cruda sorte  
Manuscript parts  
Arranged for violin, viola and guitar for Lord Saltoun.  
Opera arrangement. |
| **BOX-FOLDER 2/8** | Morceaux de Rossini  
Manuscript parts  
Arrangement of opera and ballet music for guitar, violin and viola. |
| **BOX-FOLDER 2/8** | Ella, John, arranger.  
No. 2. A selection from operas and ballets  
Manuscript parts  
Arrangement of opera and ballet music for guitar, violin and viola. |
| **BOX-FOLDER 2/8** | Ella, John, arranger.  
No. 3. A selection from operas and ballets  
Manuscript parts  
Arrangement of opera and ballet music for guitar, violin and viola. |
| **BOX-FOLDER 2/9** | Ella, John, arranger.  
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Manuscript parts  
Arranged for flute, violin, viola, cello and guitar. |
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Accompagnamento di chitara delle variazione per violino sopra l'aria di Vezzosa Jilene  
Manuscript guitar part |
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Teme [sic] et variations pour guitare composé et dédié à Lord Saltoun par Giorgis  
Manuscript |
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|             | Trois duos concertante pour violon ou flute et guitare  
|             | Manuscript parts |
| BOX-FOLDER 1/6 | Mombelli, Domenico.  
|             | Rondo "Tu mi sprezzì, tu non mami"  
|             | Manuscript  
|             | From a bound collection of works for voice and guitar. |
| BOX-FOLDER 3/5 | Moretti, C.  
|             | Tres rondoes para guitarra sola del C. Moretti  
|             | Manuscript  
|             | Dedicados a su amigo Lord Saltoun. |
| BOX-FOLDER 3/6 | Nieske, J.A.  
|             | Fantaisie pour la guitarre espagnole  
|             | Manuscript  
|             | Composée expressément pour Lord Saltoun. |
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|             | Concertata per due violini e chitarra  
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| BOX-FOLDER 3/7 | Sor, Fernando.  
|             | Duo de dos guitarras  
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|             | Grandes sonatas compuestas por Don Fernando Sors  
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| BOX-FOLDER 1/6 | Anonymous.  
Pollacca "Da un grato giubilo"  
Manuscript  
From a bound collection of works for voice and guitar. |
| BOX-FOLDER 1/1 | Unknown composer.  
Fantasia for violin, guitar, viola, cello, flute and contrabass  
Manuscript parts |
| BOX-FOLDER 1/2 | Unknown composer.  
Ouverture de la Caravana  
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Ouverture del matrimonio segreto  
Manuscript guitar part  
Arranged for guitar and violin. |
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Ouverture des horaces  
Manuscript guitar part  
Arranged for guitar and violin. |
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Ouverture du prisonnier  
Manuscript guitar part  
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