

# **Don George papers**

## **BCA-024**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Berklee College Archives
<b>Creator</b>	George, Don, 1909-1987
<b>Title</b>	Don George papers
<b>Date</b>	1940's - 1980's
<b>Extent</b>	24.0 Cubic feet
<b>Language</b>	English

### Preferred citation

[Identification of item], in the Don George papers, BCA-024. College Archives, Stan Getz Library, Berklee College of Music.

## **Biographical note**

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Lyricist Don George (1909-1987) is perhaps best known for his collaboration with Duke Ellington, particularly the standard "I'm Beginning to See the Light" (1944). Based on their personal friendship, George authored the biography *Sweet Man: The Real Duke Ellington* (1981).

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## **Scope and contents**

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This collection is primarily comprised of musical manuscripts, photographs, a draft of *Sweet Man: The Real Duke Ellington*, and other personal effects belonging to lyricist Don George.

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## **Arrangement**

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This collection has been minimally processed. Materials are currently housed in the original order they were received. A more detailed internal inventory is available upon request.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Information**

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### **Access**

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Subject(s)

- Ellington, Duke, 1899-1974
- Jazz History
- Jazz musicians
- Popular music
- Swing (Music)