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Summary Information

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Description:

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Abstract:

This is a devised collection containing various items and small accessions collected at the Grand Rapids Public Library and relating to the Grand Rapids Symphony. The collection does not contain the official records of the Symphony, but contains some informative documents from individuals directly associated with the Symphony, as well as other materials collected over the years by the Library. The collection includes programs, newsletters, histories, a scrapbook and a few photographs.

Biographical / Historical

According to information in the "Chronicle of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra," which is included in this collection, the roots of the contemporary Symphony lie in the St. Cecilia Orchestra, organized in 1917-1918. Mr. Leo Rucker was the first conductor, followed by Reese Vetch in 1918. By 1920, Ottokar Malek had taken over as conductor and enlarged the orchestra. He then removed it to Central High School, and the name changed to the Grand Rapids Civic Orchestra. After Mr. Malek's death (April 24, 1923), Karl Wecker took the lead. Wecker was brought from Cincinnati to head the music program at the Grand Rapids Junior College, as well. He inherited from Malek an organization with a new constitution and plans to fund raise to support the organization.

In the mean time, another group had developed under Sherman Tuller, concertmaster, registering the name of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra. The two groups were merged and reorganized under Wecker. The exact date of this is unclear.

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Various individuals and organizations were prominent in their support for the development of the orchestra, from the members of St. Cecilia to the charter members of the Board of the Symphony Society in 1924/1925, formed for the ongoing financial support of the orchestra. These important figures are discussed fully in the Chronicle. Members of the orchestra received payment for their services for the first time during this season. However, this organization soon fell apart, and many of the musicians took positions elsewhere. Between 1926-1929, the official symphony ceased to exist.

The Symphony today documents its official beginning from the January 11, 1930 meeting to reorganize the Grand Rapids Symphony Society. James H. Sheppard was elected the president of the Society, serving successfully until October 1948. Since then no president has served longer than 5 years.

During the 1932-1933 season women supporters from the St. Cecilia Society organized the "Women's Committee of the Grand Rapids Symphony." Later, the Women's Committee would develop its successful Design Showcase funding-raising tours.

The growing orchestra had moved to the Power Theatre for performances. On January 2, 1933, the new Civic Auditorium officially opened with a performance by the Symphony. In spite of the hardships of the depression this would remain the performing home of the organization for quite some time, with the exception of the WWII era, when the Army Weather School forced the orchestra's move to the Keith Theatre.

In 1934 the National Emergency Relief Administration (NERA), supported a separate FERA orchestra in Grand Rapids, which also fed in musicians for the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra. Later know as the WPA Federal Music Project, these funds supported orchestra members. The program brought talent to the area that might not otherwise have come to Grand Rapids. It also took talent away when, in 1940, during the orchestra's 10th anniversary season, the FMP offered Wecker a position in California. Later he would conduct the Hollywood Bowl orchestra there.

Scope and Contents

This collection has few official documents on the formation and function of the Symphony, such as constitutions, minutes, financial statements, annual reports, etc. Nor does it contain much actual music. Since the bulk of the music performed by the organization and its guest artists are not compositions by local artists, it is not necessarily appropriate to retain it in a local history collection. However, any recordings by the Grand Rapids Symphony, music composed for the symphony, or composed by local composers and/or orchestra members, are of interest for inclusion in the collection. Libretti, as well, are of interest, if associated with local and Michigan artists.

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The collection presents primarily the public face on the activities of the organization, such as the programs, information on the conductors, and other ephemera, as received.

Included is the "Chronicle of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra," compiled by Glenn B. Litton, True McDonald and others, which covers the years 1917 to 1989/1990, and documents the roots of the contemporary Symphony in the St. Cecilia Orchestra, organized in 1917-1918. Also received from McDonald's estate is a GRSO Record Book. The scrapbook of former conductor, Carl Karapetian is included in the collection, as well as a sampling of histories, organizational documents, building program information, and newsletters. The largest portion of the collection is the series of programs, from as early as the 1930's to as recent as 2004/2005.

Only one sound recording from the Grand Rapids Youth Symphony ca. 1970/1971 is currently included. No musical scores exist in this collection. Some original photos are included. But, most images in the collection are copy photos from the Robinson Studio Collection. Most of these images were used in the Grand Rapids Public Library GRHSCC Grand Rapids Symphony 75th Anniversary Online Exhibit, 1930-2005.

Administrative Information

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Related Materials

Related Materials

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Coll. 284, St. Cecilia Society Records

Coll. 338, Grand Rapids Public Library Opera Grand Rapids Collection

Coll. 351, the Schubert Male Chorus of Grand Rapids / Schubert Club Collection

Controlled Access Headings

- Music -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids
- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History
- Orchestra -- Michigan -- Grand Rapids -- History
- Grand Rapids Symphony

Collection Inventory

Series I. History & Biography.			
Subseries A. General histories			
Title/Description	Instances		
"Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra" From A Citizens' History of Grand Rapids, Michigan / William J. Etten, G.R.: A.P. Johnson for the Campau Centennial Committee, 1926.	Box 1	Folder 1	
Grand Rapids Symphony. The History. From the Symphony's Website, Nov. 16, 2004.	Box 1		

Subseries B. Anniversary Related materials

50th Anniversary Era items

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Title/Description	Instances
GR Symphony, our 50th Birthday / Carolyn Meyers. Source unknown, probably Festival literature, per logo. 00.[3112].1	Box 1

Citle/Description	Instances	
Material from the Symphony Internet Site, Nov. 2004	Box 1	
1930-2004 History from Internet Site, Nov. 2007	Box 1	
Grand Rapids Symphony. The History.	Box 1	Folder 2.5
"History in the Making" Verso title: 1930-2005: 75 Years of Music Making [flyer] Chronology, including highlights of the Symphony's history by years. 2004.073	Box 1	Folder 3
75th Anniversary Season, 2004-2005. List of Grand Rapids Symphony Conductors, 1930-2005.	Box 1	

Subseries C. Compiled History Notebooks.

Chronicle of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra / by Glenn B. Litton, True O. McDonald, et al Documenting the history of the organization form 1917 to 1989.

itle/Description	Instances	
Illustration by Weidenaar. Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, 1960-61 Season, 1st Program, Oct. 28. [Poor condition. Has 3 holes at left, torn, with scotch tape.	Box 1.7	Folder 1
Foreword	Box 1.7	Folder 2
ca. 1917 to 1934/1935 = Pages [1], 1a,1b,1b, 1-22	Box 1.7	Folder 3
1935-1954 Pages 23	Box 1.7	Folder 4
1954-1964 Pages	Box 1.7	Folder 5
1964-1970 Pages	Box 1.7	Folder 6
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Casual Classics	Box 1.7	Folder 15
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V. 2 of the Chronicles of the Grand Rapids Symphony Society, 1989/1990 Series / Ray Andrews	Box 1.7	Folder 23
GRSO Record Book, 1930 to 1998. [Previously housed in a 3-ringed binder].	Box 1.8	
Donor's Concern Program, March 3, 1989. [Previously housed in a 3-ringed binder]	Box 1.8	
Maxim Gershunoff presents Robert Zeller, conductor. Obit. Dec. 5, 1982. [Previously housed in a 3-ringed bind	Box 1.8	
Preview flyer, 1986-1987 Season. Annotated. [Previously housed in a 3-ringed bind	Box 1.8	

Subseries D. Information on or by Specific Conductors

1959-1964 Robert Zeller

itle/Description	Instances
Newspaper clippings & Ephemera. Copies.	Box 2
Grand Rapids Press. "Packed Hall, Fine Pianist, Zeller Fire Up Symphony. Oct. 17, 1959, pg. 8	Box 2
Grand Rapids Press. "Another Debut for Zeller" Sept. 27, 1959, pg. 23	Box 2
Grand Rapids Herald. "Permanent Symphony Conductor Sought". Jan. 15, 1959, pg. 9	Box 2
Maxim Gershunoff presents, Robert Zeller, Conductor. Dec. 6. 1982. Obit bio.	Box 2

1964-1968 Carl Karapetian

Title/Description	Instances
Carl Karapetian scrapbook 1960-1965. Includes Photos: Van Cliburn, pianist, in concert, Nov. 4, 1964. Pianist Cliburn and Conductor Karapetian standing near the	Box 2

piano, with the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra members behind. Nov. 4, 1964 concert. 1989.030

1980-1985 Semyon Bychkov	
Title/Description	Instances
Libretto. Daphne: a Bucolic Tradegy in One Act, Op. 82. Strauss. Libretto by Joseph Gregor. Autographed by Semyon Bychkov, a GR Symphony Conductor. U. of Mich. Hill Auditorium. Oct. 13, 2005. 2005.078c	Box 1
1985-1998 Catherine Comet	
Title/Description	Instances
A Tribute to Catherine Comet, Music Director of the Grand Rapids Symphony, 1986-1997. 00.[3119].1.	Box 1
Biography. Kaylor Management Inc.	Box 1
Ott: Symphony no. 2; Symphony no. 3 – Grand Rapids Symphony, Catherine Comet / Michael Meckna. Sound Recording Review. "American Music", Spring 1995.	Box 1
San Diego Union Tribune. "Conductor takes the road less traveled: Catherine Comet guest conducts the San Diego Symphony Orchestra" / Pam Dixon. Nov. 29, 1998.	Box 1
Saint-Saens: Symphony no. 2. GR Symphony Orchestra Sound Recording. 1996 CD	Box 1
Quad City Symphony Orchestra, Dec. 2004.	Box 1
1999-2015 David Lockington	
Title/Description	Instances
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Article	Box 1
Miscellaneous	Box 1
1985-2021 John Varineau, Associate Cor	ıductor
Title/Description	Instances
Biography photo card, undated [2022.017]	Box 1

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Series II. Organization Documents	
Title/Description	Instances

Constitution & Bylaws. Draft. Civic Orchestra of Grand Rapids. n.d. Includes the signature of Dorothy Stuart Blake. ca. 1920. 00.[4022].1.	Box 1.5
Bylaws. Grand Rapids Symphony Society, March, 1974. 00. [3113].1	Box 1
Annual Reports. 1996-1997 [VF]	Box 1
Financial Report. October 30, 1980 [VF]	Box 1

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Series III. Ancillary reports	
Title/Description	Instances
The Grand Rapids Art Museum / Symphony Fund [flyer] 1965-1966 00.[3117].1	Box 1
The Grand Rapids Art Museum / Symphony Fund [flyer] 1970-1971 00.[3117].2	Box 1
Grand Rapids Music Hall Feasibility Study May 1969 / Giffels & Rossetti, Inc., architects, engineers, planners, Detroit. 00.[3253].1	Box 1
Report on the Grand Rapids Symphony Society: its role in the community and its search for a music hall / submitted by Mrs. M.S. Keeler II. Ca. 1971/1972? 00.[3116].1	Box 1

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Series IV. Publications

Subseries A. Newsletters

Title/Description	Instances
Sound Off (newsletter) ca. Oct. 1978 [VF]	Box 1.5
Sound Off (newsletter) ca. May 1979 (1979/1980 season?) [VF]	Box 1.5
Sound Off 1979/1980 issue. GR Symphony Golden Anniversary Season. 00.[3115].1	Box 1.5
In Concert 1990-1991 v. 5, no. 1 Spring 1990	Box 1.6
In Concert 1999-2000 v. 13, no. 2, Winter 1999 [VF]	Box 1.6

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Series V. Ephemera

Subseries A. Fund Raising events

Fund Raising Flyers

Title/Description	Instances
Front Row Center: a close up look at one of the finest regional orchestras in the County, ca. 1980/1981. [folding flyer] [VF]. Includes images and names of some orchestra members.	Box 1
[Fund raising flyer] Grand Rapids Symphony: a sound investment. 1977. Has a brief history timeline on the back.	Box 1
[Fund raising flyer] Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra / Grand Rapids Art Museum. 1971/1972 season	Box 1
Women's committee of the Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra. Fundraising event. 1981 booklet. 757 Plymouth Road, S.E. Apr 25-May 17, 1981. c. 1. 00. [3118].1 / c. 2 00.[5461].1	Box 1

Subseries B. Magazine & Newspaper Clippings

Jeffrey Kaczmarczyk articles (5). GR Press. 1999.023

Title/Description	Instances
Symphony, Nexus display talent at DeVos, Nov. 15, 1997.	Box 1.6
Music lead Sitkovetsky on journeys around globe. Nov. 20, 1997	Box 1.6
For seasonal sensation, it's the Pops, Dec. 19, 1997.	Box 1.6
Sitkovetsky, violinist create déjà vu in GR, n.d.	Box 1.6
Soloist, guest conductor upstage symphony	Box 1.6
Happy Anniversary GR Symphony! / by Mark Johnston. Grand Rapids Magazine, Sept. 2004, pg. 88-89. Photocopy. Has image of Edith Blodgett. 00.[3691].1	Box 1.6
Jarosch Recalls 70 Years of Playing the Clarinet. GR Press, Sept. 6, 1970. Oversized.	Box 1.5
"Symphonies Under the Stars" Grand Rapids Mirror, Aug./Sept. 1934. pg. 21. RE: FERA orchestra. Federal Emergency Relief Administration.	Box 1.6

Notes on the Great Sound / by Tom La Belle. The Grand Rapids Symphony: great sound of a great city. Photographs by John R. Fulton, Jr.	Box 1.6
"Szigeti Has Many Facets" - Grand Rapids Press article,	Box 1.5

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Series VI. Music.			
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Series VII. Performances

Subseries A. Grand Rapids Symphony Programs

Season 1930-1931, Powers Theatre

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Programs. 1931? Nov. 28. Armory. Roderick White, Violinist, soloist	Box 3
Music Appreciation : notes on compositions at its concerts / compiled by Florence Gregory, Educational Director	Box 3
Second concert. Dec. 5-6, 1930 P2004.033	Box 3
Third concert. Jan. 16-17, 1931.	Box 3
5th Pair concerts, Mar. 24-25, 1931. Includes lists of Society Officers and Members; Orchestra personnel; and numerous advertisements. These include illustrated ads for the following buildings: Grinnell Building, 26-28 Ave., N. At Monroe and DeKorne's, 1504 Plainfield Avenue, and Paul Steketee & Sons.	Box 3

Season 1931-1932, Powers Theatre

Title/Description	Instances
3rd Program, Feb. 12-13, 1932	Box 3
6th Program, Apr. 29-30, 1932	Box 3

le/Description	Instances
1st Nov. 4-5, 1932	Box 3
2nd Dec. 16-17, 1932	Box 3
Season 1933-1934, Civic Auditorium	
Citle/Description	Instances
5th Program, Mar. 15, 1934. 00.[738].1.	Box 3
Season 1934-1935, Civic Auditorium	
Citle/Description	Instances
March 15, 1935 00.[738].3	Box 3
April 12, 1935 00.[738].4	Box 3
May 10, 1935 Verdi Requiem.	Box 3
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Citle/Description	Instances
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Jan 20, 1939	Box 3
Feb 17, 1939	Box 3
Apr 14, 1939	Box 3
Season 1939-1940, Civic Auditorium	
Citle/Description	Instances
Apr. 19, 1940. Leo Kopp, Guest Conductor. P2004.033.	Box 3
14th Season, 1942-1943	
Citle/Description	Instances
Oct 23, 1942 2003.076	Box 3

tle/Description	Instances
flier advertising October 4 concert, 1946	Box 3
October 4, 1946	Box 3
with Josephine Antoine, soprano, November 1, 1946	Box 3
December 20, 1946	Box 3
with Ennio Bolognini, cellist January 17, 1947	Box 3
with Jose Echaniz, pianist April 18, 1947	Box 3
1948/1949 Season	
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Herpolsheimer's presents its Fifth Young People's Concert, Apr. 13, 1949.	Box 3
21st Season, 1949-1950	
Fitle/Description	Instances
This Symphony Season [general season flyer]. Flyer has images of artists, including the Schubert Club.	Box 3
Jan 20, 1950. Amparo Iturbi, pianist and Jose Echaniz, conductor, images on cover.	Вох 3
34th Season, 1962/1963	
Title/Description	Instances
Oct. 19, 1962-Apr. 19, 1963 (8 + 1 dup.) Cover illustration by Weienaar. 00.[5759].1	Box 3
35th Season, 1963/1964	
Title/Description	Instances
Oct. 11, 1963-Jan.10, 1964. 00.[5760].1.	Box 3
36th Season, 1964/1965	
Title/Description	Instances
2nd, Nov. 4, 1964. Poor condition, front cover missing, loose pages.	Box 3
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Apr. 2-12, 1975	Box 8
47th Season, 1975-1976	
Title/Description	Instances
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[flyer] 1975/1976 Season. In Pursuit of Excellence.	Box 8
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Flyer. Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, Theo Alcantara, Music Director. Ca. 1976/1977?	Box 8	
Flyer. Young People's Concerts 1976. Including 3	Box 8	

1978-1979 Season	
Title/Description	Instances
Program 8.	Box 8
[flyer] Save Your Seats NowMusical Chairs Later!Has "The Grand Series" with La Grand Vitesse graphic	Box 8
Programs, 1980-1985. 1980-1981 Season Series flyer. "The Renaissance Semyon Bychkov" Includes renderings of new DeVos Hall, music hall. 00[3114].1.	Box 9

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Mar 26, 1981	Box 9
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[mailing card] Dizzy Gillespie and his quartet. 21 Febrary 1981. GR Symphony "Pops" Series	Box 9

1981-1982 Season	
Title/Description	Instances
[flyer] Go for the Sights, the Sounds, the Talents, and the Excitement	Box 9

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-	Instances		
[flyer] Itzhak Perlman : the Brilliant Israeli Violinist	Box 9		
[flyer] Save your Seat for the Spectacular Star Studded 1982-1983 Season	Box 9		
1983-1984 Season			
Title/Description	Instances		
1983-1984 Big 10 Season. [Flyer]	Box 9		
1984-1985 Season			
Title/Description	Instances		
[flyer] Number One Box office in Western Michigan!	Box unknown	Folder unknown	
[Flyer] WOTV 35th Anniversary Concert, Sept. 19, 1984	Box 9		
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Old Kent Holiday Pops / Meet the Conductors at Schuler Books & Music [flyer/bookmark?] (2): George Hanson, Thomas Dausgaard, Richard Westerfield, Kenneth Kiesler, Dmitry Sitkovetsky, Edvard Tchivzhel, David Lockington.	Box 11		

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v. 3 2002.006B	Box 12
v. 4 2002.006C	Box 12
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Title/Description	Instances
75th Anniversary Gala Benefit Concert, Oct. 22, 2004. Kathleen Battle. (2 copies). 2004.079	Box 12
2004-2005, 75th Season	
Title/Description	Instances
v. 1, 2004.079B	Box 12
v. 2, 00.[xxxx].1	Box 12
2004-2005 75th Anniversary Season.	
Title/Description	Instances
1930-2005 Booklet. 2004.079	Box 12
A few historical images, but mostly advertises current season.	Box 12
BRAVO! Award Gala	Box 12
Nov. 7, 2007 program	Box 12
2007-2008 Season	
Title/Description	Instances
v. 3, Life Takes Music	Box 12
1920's-1960's. Bound volumes of Progra M785.106.G762p. 00. [3128] .1-13	ams, incomplete. Formerly
Title/Description	Instances
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Title/Description	Instances	
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Beethoven, prokofiev, and Honegger Christmas Contata.		

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Detroit Symphony Orchestra. Program including 9th & 10th Symphony concerts, and 13th, 14th, & 15th Pop concert. JanFeb. 1934.	Box 13	
Detroit Symphony Orchestra. A Benefit Concert for the Grand Rapids Symphony Society, Mar. 29, 00.[3111].1.	Box 13	

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Malko, with unidentified man at right. Sept. 29, 1942.		

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3. 125-H016933.2	Box 14	Folder 8
4. 125-H016932.1 Symphony Director, John M. Lewis, Nov. 13, 1947.	Box 14	Folder 8
5. 125-H016932.2 John M. Lewis	Box 14	Folder 8
6. 125-H016932.3 John M. Lewis	Box 14	Folder 8
Grand Rapids Symphony Orchestra, taken at the Majestic Theatre. Mr. Bullard, leader, Karl Wecker at right. 1930. (1) From Coll. 43-1-5 Morris Photo #209.	Box 14	Folder 9
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Image 5. Program, 1937-1938 Season. Pinza. Civic. For original item, See Programs in this Coll. 337, Box 15.	Box 14	Folder 5
Image 6. 125-H000794.1. Baritone Robert Weede with GR Symphony conductor Thor Johnson, Nov. 14, 1940.	Box 14	Folder 7
Image 7. 125-H007237.1. GR Symphony Women's Committee, April, 26, 1941.	Box 14	Folder 7
Image 8. Piatigorsky signature. For original item, See the Programs in this Coll. 337, Box 15.	Box 14	Folder 4
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Image 13. 125-H008178.1. Pianist Josef Hofmann's 68th Birthday cake, Jan. 20, 1944, rehearsal.	Box 14	Folder 7
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