Guide to MS704 Katy Siqueiros collection

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Historical Sketch

Catalina Soto Saucedo Siqueiros (Katy Siqueiros) is a former professional violinist and successful real estate agent. Born on February 12, 1922 in Lordsburg, New Mexico, Siqueiros moved to El Paso as a child. She was only able to attend school up to the eighth grade as she stayed home to take of her father who was sick with tuberculosis.

At age 14, Katy Siqueiros developed a deep love of music and began studying the violin. After studying music for many years, she became a violinist with the El Paso Symphony Orchestra (EPSO) in 1956. She played with the EPSO for 26 seasons. Siqueiros played a Joseph Kloz violin from Germany that she purchased from her violin instructor. Her instructor was Jewish and had fled Nazi Germany to escape persecution. A 1946 photograph of Siqueiros in the collection shows her with this violin and wearing a dress that she made out of fabric from her brother’s, Eladio (Eddie) Saucedo (d. May 30, 2020), WWII parachute.

In addition to her music career, Siqueiros earned her real estate license in 1955 (despite just having an eighth-grade education) and worked for Hovious Associates/Coldwell Banker until 1997 – when she retired at age 75. As a real estate agent, Siqueiros achieved multiple honors and won several awards.

Siqueiros had three children. Her current hobbies include listening to music and journaling.

Personal Activities

Violinist with the El Paso Symphony Orchestra, 26 Seasons
A.B.W.A. Woman of the Year - 1976 International City Chapter
A.B.W.A. Woman of the Year Mt. Franklin Chapter
National Federation of Business Women's Club Member
T.A.R. and N.A.R. Member
American Federation of Musicians Local 466
El Paso Civic Orchestra (Community College)
Grievance Committee - G.E.P.B.R
Professional Standards Committee - G.E.P.B.R
Governmental Affairs - G.E.P.B.R

Professional Achievements

Million Dollar Producers Club - 1996
Circle of Honor Awards - Third and Fourth Quarters 1996
Sales Associate Award Winner - July, August, December 1996
Circle of Honor (quarterly) 1993 - 1994
Top Dollar Earned 1989 Achievement Reach Program (YMCA) - 1991
Million Dollar Club Member Distinguished Service Award - 1984 & 1986
John T. Nothnagle Round Table - 1978, 1979, 1980
Senior Sales Counsellor Award - 1978, 1979, 1980
Distinguished Gallery Counsellor 1978 to 1981
Dollar Volume and Listings Sold - 1976
Hovious Associates Number One Agent 1975

[Source: David Siqueiros, email to archivist, November 28, 2022]

**Series Description or Arrangement**

Materials were primarily left in the order found by the archivist.

**Scope and Content Note**

The Katy Siqueiros collection, MS704, dates 1946 – 2007, bulk 1950s – 1970s. Consists of bound volumes of programs and clippings as well as correspondence, photographs, and publications. These materials help document the history of the El Paso Symphony Orchestra and Katy Siqueiros’s career as a violinist.

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Claude Herndon papers
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