THE CONDON COLLECTION





An incredible story of focus and passion on how this catalogue came to exist. The music is outstanding and will be here for the planet to enjoy for many decades to come. We are honoured to work with James Stewart on growing new markets for this great catalogue.

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About



The Condon music roll archive captures the playing of more than 700 pianists including Debussy and Gershwin.

The world's leading authority on piano rolls, Australian Denis Condon compiled this collection. Born in Hamilton, NSW in 1933, Condon began collecting piano rolls at the age of 15. His father, who had a heart condition and could no longer pump the pedals of the household player piano, traded the instrument for a reproducing piano.

As Condon says: "I was the only person I knew at the time who was insterested in them".

Manufactured in the early 1900s by companies including Welte Mignon (first marketed in 1904), Ampico (1911), Duo-Art (1914) and Hupfeld's Triphonola (1919), paper piano rolls recorded the degree of the force with which each note must be struck to reproduce the music as the artist played it in the recording session, which created a faithful reproduction of their playing style and technique.

Many legendary artists of this era preferred this medium to other recording methods such as cylinders or shellac discs. Now totalling more than 7,000 rolls (many more than 100 years old), the Condon Collection offers fascinating insights into the playing of Stravinsky, Gershwin, Debussy, Rubinstein, Horowitz and more. One of the jewels of the collection is the section devoted to Australian pianist-composer Percy Grainger. We have every recording made by Percy Grainger for the Duo-Art piano here in the collection as extremely rare orchestral and symphonic works as transcribed for piano.

Even though owners of reproducing pianos (Pianola's) often lament about what was not recorded in the twenty-five years of their reign as machines that "re-enacted the artist" in living rooms, we must consider ourselves fortunate for what was done.

Who would have thought that we could hear Eugene Goossens play the piano? Or Manuel deFalla? Or Scriabin who died as long ago as 1915?

This collection of rare performances not only contains music that had been not heard for over 60 years but "rarities" with many of them being treasures that were only discovered once the catalogue was created. The collection has been compiled with the help of James Stewart, one of Australia's greatest producers. This catalogue has been created for the world to enjoy and is now available digitally in a new repackaged form under the name of "PianoSounscapes Vol 1 - 50".

The Collection Highlights include recordings by:

- Richard Strauss (1864-1949) a prolific composer and one of the greatest conductors of his time. He made a mere handful of roll recordings, mainly for Welte Mignon. His performance of his own Dance of the Seven Veils leaves no doubt of his pianistic accomplishment.
- Manuel deFalla (1876-1946) made six rolls, four for the Pleyela reproducing piano of music from The Three Cornered Hat and two for the Welte Mignon which contain two each of his Four Spanish Pieces. The second roll is recorded here. What an achievement!

- Gabriel Fauré (1845-1924) plays his own arrangement of the Pavane Op.60. It is one of twenty-two rolls he recorded, all of his own music except for Debussy's Fileuse from Pelleas and Melisande.
- Raoul Laparra (1876-1943) will send many listeners to the music directory. He was a Prix de Rome winner in 1903 and he made use of Spanish idioms in his music. He made ten rolls, all of his own music. Judging by the five little pieces recorded here, he was a fine pianist.
- The roll of Percy Grainger and his mother playing four hand music is unique. It is the only example of Rose Graingers playing in existence. Recorded in 1918, the roll was issued eighteen months after Rose's suicide in 1922. The two pieces are fragments and, if photographs of them at the piano are any guide, Rose played Primo.
- Cyril Scott (1879-1970) made twenty-two rolls, all of his own music. The three heard here were recorded in Europe. Compare Lotus Land with Grainger's performance (also in the Collection). Eugene Goossens (1893-1962) was well known as a conductor and a string player. He was also an efficient pianist. He made five rolls. This Folk Tune is one of two studies from his Op.38.
- Alfred Grunfeld (1852-1924) made more than one hundred rolls, mostly of his own music. He was very popular in Germany and Austria. The lovely Romance heard here makes the listener very curious about other music by him. How the mighty has fallen he is not listed in the New Grove!
- Carlos Salzedo (1855-1961) a harpist, recorded the piano accompaniment for Debussy's Sacred and Secular Dances for harp and orchestra. One wonders just how much demand there was for this item. This Reverie is his only other roll.
- Darius Milhaud (1892-1974) recorded seven rolls including some Chopin Mazurkas. The Memories of Brazil, heard here, were recorded in New York in 1927.
- George Liebling (1865-1946), a pupil of Liszt, recorded some fifty rolls, many of them of his own music. He lived the latter part of his life in Hollywood.
- Alfredo Casella (1883-1947) was a prolific composer. He made about twenty rolls. This little suite has three movements Prelude, Serenata and Berceuse.
- John Ireland (1879-1962) made only the two rolls heard here. Ragamuffin is the second of his London Pieces.
- Max Reger (1872-1916) another prolific composer, he made twenty-two rolls, all of his own music. The Intermezzo heard here is in G minor and is No.5 from Op.45.



Catalogue

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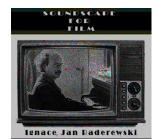
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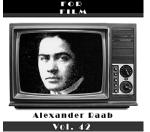




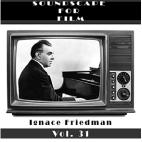
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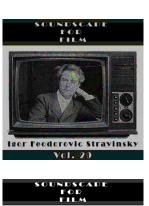




















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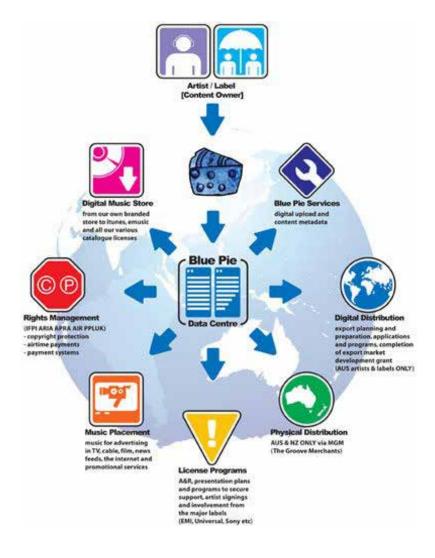


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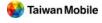
























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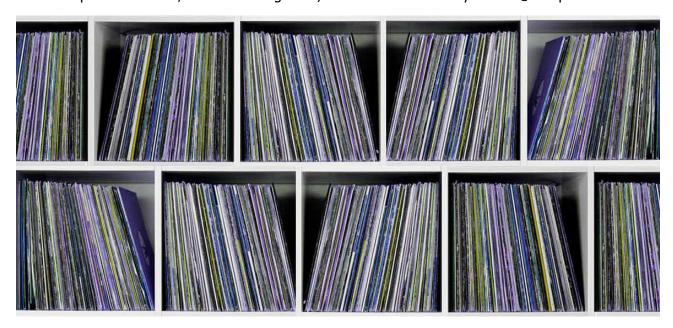
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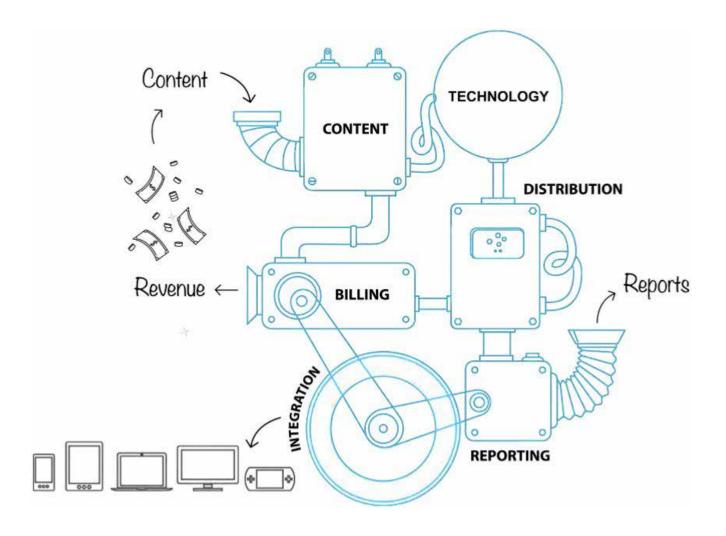
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