

Resources for the “All Are Welcome” Feast of St. Gertrude Celebration

Featuring the Works of Florence Price, Margaret Bonds, and Lil Hardin Armstrong, African-American Composers from Chicago

Additional Reading

The Heart of a Woman: The life and Music of Florence B Price by Rae Linda Brown, University of Illinois Press, 2020

From Spirituals to Symphonies, African-American Women Composers and Their Music by Helen Walker-Hill

The Music of Black Americans by Eileen Southern

The Pandora Guide to Women Composers by Sophie Fuller

Just for a Thrill Lil Hardin Armstrong, First Lady of Jazz by James L. Dickerson

And They All Sang by Studs Terkel

Stormy Weather the Music and Lives of a Century of Jazzwomen by Linda Dahl

Jazz Women at the Keyboard by Mary Unterbrink

Chicago Jazz: A Cultural History, 1904-1930 by William Howland Kenney

Swing Shift “all-Girl Bands of the 1940s by Sherrie Tucker

Florence Price: Published Music & Recordings

Sonata in E Minor for Piano, G. Schirmer

Black Women Composers, A Century of Piano Music (1893-1990), Hildegard Publishing Company

Piano Music of Africa and the African Diaspora, vol. 2,3

Art Songs and Spirituals by African-American Women Composers, Hildegard Publishing Co.

The Caged Bird: The life and music of Florence B. Price, DVD

1993 *Black Diamonds*, Althea Waite, pianist; Cambria CD 1097

Kaleidoscope, Helen Walker-Hill, pianist; Leonardo LE 339

2006 *Soulscapes*, Maria Corley, pianist; Albany Records TROY 857

2011 *Concerto in One Movement and Symphony in E Minor*, New Black Repertory Ensemble with Leslie Dunner, conductor, and Karen Walwyn, pianist; Albany Records TROY 1295

YouTube Links to Florence Price Recordings

- *My Soul's Been Anchored in the Lord*
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5laboA_vTss
- *At the Feet o' Jesus*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jjpRYvU8b0g>
- *Song to the Dark Virgin*
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=TFKVumAkdCw>

- Symphony in E Minor, First Mvt.
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ht4H_eKjb0w
- Symphony in E Minor, Juba Dance
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v= 2d_2JJBcMs
- Piano Concerto in One Movement
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=189GH0gUBd4>

Margaret Bond: Published Music & Recordings

Black Women Composers, Hildegard Publishing Company (*Troubled Water*)

Piano Music of Africa and the African Diaspora, vol. 3

Art Songs and Spirituals by African-American Women Composers,
Hildegard Publishing Co., 1995

The Ballad of the Brown King, A Christmas Cantata for Chorus of Mixed Voices (SATB); Sam Fox, 1961

Black Diamonds, Althea Waites, pianist Cambria CD-1097

Soulscapes, Maria Corley, pianist Albany Records TROY 857

Spiritual Suite: Valley of the Bones, The Bells, Troubled Water, Thomas Otten, pianist, Videmus Recordings,

YouTube Links to Margaret Bond Recordings

- The Valley of the Bones
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4i11zRKUUxw>
- The Bells
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cZe6P4sUpxY>
- Troubled Water
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=z94wEZrqfu0>
- Minstrel Man
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SsD2d6emu00>
- I Too
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=biRDI2eL0yM>
- Lord I Just Can't Keep from Cryin'
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M-txGSvcIMA>
- He's Got the Whole World in His Hands
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=tnumq5RkGY4>
- Ballad of the Brown King
- <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qsdixi0jVSo>

Lil Hardin Armstrong: Books, Music & Recordings

Just for a Thrill Lil Hardin Armstrong, First Lady of Jazz by James L. Dickerson

And They All Sang by Studs Terkel

Louis Armstrong and The Hot Fives and Hot Sevens; Columbia Records, CK 44253

Introducing Lillette Jenkins, The Music of Lil Hardin Armstrong; Chiaroscuro
Records, CR (D) 302

Hot Miss Lil Born to Swing, Lil Armstrong and Her Swing Band 1936-1940;
Upbeat Records

Lil Hardin Armstrong and her Orchestra Chicago: The Living Legends;
Riverside Records, 2007