



# **Guide to the Something Borrowed Something Blue Records, 1997-2014**

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## Summary

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**Collection Title:**

Something Borrowed Something Blue records, 1997-2014

**Creator:**

Something Borrowed Something Blue

**Abstract:**

Something Borrowed Something Blue is a co-ed Christian a cappella group at Duke University. The Something Borrowed Something Blue records include materials documenting the group's activities, beliefs, and music selection and performance. Also included are copies of several albums released by SBSB, and captures of the group's website from 2010-2012.

**Extent:**

1.5 Linear Feet

**Language:**

Materials in English

**Collection ID:**

UA.31.07.0014

**Permalink:**

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## Background

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**Scope and Content**

The Something Borrowed Something Blue records consist of materials related to the activities, performances, album recording and releases, and music selection of the a cappella group Something Borrowed Something Blue. Included in the collection are audition sheets, song licensing information, fundraising proposals, member comments, publicity photographs, and a number of copies of music selections, some with notes, for the group's performances,

among other materials. Also included are several albums released by the group, including two from the Jesus Christ Power and Light Company and several from SBSB, and captures of the group's website from 2010-2012.

## **Biographical/Historical**

Something Borrowed Something Blue is a co-ed Christian a cappella group at Duke University. Originally founded in 1969 as the Jesus Christ Power and Light Company, the group changed their name in 1998 to Something Borrowed and Something Blue, and is called both Borrowed and Blue and SBSB.

SBSB has a purpose "to glorify God, primarily through music," as stated in the group's constitution. It takes its name from the traditional poem of having a bride wear something old, something new, something borrowed, and something blue on her wedding day, and refers to the depiction of the church as the bride of Christ throughout the New Testament of the Bible. The group consists mostly of undergraduate men and women, gives several performances throughout the academic year, and engages in social and outreach activities, including an annual spring break service trip. The group has also released several albums.

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## **Arrangement**

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Arranged alphabetically by folder title.

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## **Administrative Information**

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### **Publication Statement**

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## **Access Restrictions**

Collection is open for research.

Researchers must register and agree to copyright and privacy laws before using this collection.

Use of audiotapes and videotapes from this collection requires the creation of reference copies. Reference copies for some materials may have been made, and if a reference copy exists, it is noted in this finding aid. To arrange for the creation of reference copies of other items, please contact University Archives staff. Although these recordings are now stored in a stable environment, their condition and playback quality is unknown.

All or portions of this collection may be housed off-site in Duke University's Library Service Center. The library may require up to 48 hours to retrieve these materials for research use.

Please contact Research Services staff before visiting the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library to use this collection.

## **Use Restrictions**

The copyright interests in this collection have not been transferred to Duke University. For more information, consult the copyright section of the Regulations and Procedures of the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library.

## **Acquisition Information**

The Something Borrowed Something Blue records were received by the David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library as a gift in 2015.

## **Processing Information**

Processed by Tracy M. Jackson, December 2015.

Accessions described in this collection guide: UA2015-0056

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## Related Materials

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### Related Material

Out of the Blue records, Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library, Duke University.

[Pitchforks of Duke University Records](#), Duke University Archives, David M. Rubenstein Rare Book & Manuscript Library, Duke University.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Choral singing
- Choruses (Mixed voices), Unaccompanied
- Music -- Religious aspects.
- Duke University -- Songs and music
- Duke University -- Students
- Something Borrowed Something Blue

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## Collection Inventory

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Audition materials, 2005-2014	Box 1 > Folder 1
Bible study/spiritual, 2006-2008	Box 1 > Folder 2
CD requests, CD marketing, 1999, 2010	Box 1 > Folder 3
Concert programs and tickets, 2001-2012	Box 1 > Folder 4
Constitution, positions survey, schedules, scripts, notes, 1999-2011	Box 1 > Folder 5
Correspondence, 2002-2008	Box 1 > Folder 6
Funding information, 1997-1999	Box 1 > Folder 7
Fundraising, 2007-2008	Box 1 > Folder 8

Funding proposals, 2008, undated	Box 1 > Folder 9
General manager's binder, 2007	Box 1 > Folder 10
General manager's binder, 2007	Box 1 > Folder 11
Gospel Jam/other a cappella contacts, 1997-2000	Box 1 > Folder 12
License information for Unseen, 2008	Box 1 > Folder 13
Licenses and production information for REcreation, Something Old Something New, 1999-2002	Box 1 > Folder 14
Personal envelope questions, group survey questions, skills survey, 2008-2009	Box 1 > Folder 15
Philosophy, 1999-2001	Box 1 > Folder 16
Publicity materials, 2007, undated	Box 1 > Folder 17
Sheet music and lyrics	Box 1 > Folder 18
Sheet music A-C	Box 1 > Folder 19
Sheet music D-H	Box 1 > Folder 20
Sheet music I-K	Box 1 > Folder 21
Sheet music L-P	Box 1 > Folder 22
Sheet music R-T	Box 1 > Folder 23
Sheet music W-Y	Box 1 > Folder 24
Web Archives, 2010-2012 (online item available) <b>Digital Object:</b> <a href="#">Something Borrowed, Something Blue</a>	
Jesus Christ Power and Light 1989-1990, 1989-1990	Box 1 > Audio-cassette UA31070014-CS-0001
<b>Physical Description:</b> audiocassette	
Jesus Christ Power and Light 1990-1991, 1990-1991	Box 1 > Audio-cassette UA31070014-CS-0002
<b>Physical Description:</b> audiocassette	

Jesus Christ Power and Light 1989-1990, use  
copy CD, 1989-1990

Box 1 > Audio-disc UA31070014-  
CD-0001

**Physical Description:** compact disc

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Jesus Christ Power and Light 1990-1991, use  
copy CD, 1990-1991

Box 1 > Audio-disc UA31070014-  
CD-0002

**Physical Description:** compact disc

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Something Old Something New, 1997-1998

Box 1 > Audio-disc UA31070014-  
CD-0003

**Physical Description:** compact disc

**Access Restrictions:**

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From Ashes to Glory, 2009-2011

Box 1 > Audio-disc UA31070014-  
CD-0004

**Physical Description:** compact disc

**Access Restrictions:**

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reference copies.

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Ascending, 2012

Box 1 > Audio-disc UA31070014-  
CD-0005

**Physical Description:** compact disc

**Access Restrictions:**

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reference copies.

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Lost and Found, 2014

Box 1 > Audio-disc UA31070014-  
CD-0006

**Physical Description:** compact disc

**Access Restrictions:**

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reference copies.