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The Gregory Hines Collection Of American Tap Dance

The Jerome Robbins Dance Division, New York Public Library for the Performing Arts in collaboration with the American Tap Dance Foundation

In 2004, in honor of legendary tap dance artist Gregory Hines (1946-2003), a number of gifts from the tap community came to the Dance Division. In cooperation with the American Tap Dance Foundation, these materials were organized as a tribute to Mr. Hines and gathered under the title The Gregory Hines Collection of American Tap Dance.

The Gregory Hines collection brings together film, video, photographs and manuscripts. The Dance Division's existing tap materials as well as future donations will eventually be incorporated under this title, resulting in a comprehensive archive of American tap dance that will also serve as an ongoing memorial to Mr. Hines.



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Mr. Hines was a tap dancer, actor, teacher, choreographer, and performer who led the legislation to establish National Tap Dance Day. He was on the founding board of directors of the American Tap Dance Foundation, and recognized the need to document this originally American, now international vernacular dance form.

For more information about Mr. Hines and how to use this collection, please see the tabs at left.