



**SPENCER, Margaret Ann (Peggy)
(1920-2016)**

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Name of Creator: Spencer, Margaret Ann (Peggy) (1920-2016) dancer and choreographer

Extent: 34 boxes, 7 oversize items

Administrative/Biographical History: Margaret Ann 'Peggy' Spencer MBE (1920–2016) was a British professional ballroom dancer, choreographer, competition adjudicator and organizer.

Peggy married Jack Spencer in 1940, and had two children. They divorced in 1947. Peggy married Frank Spencer in the late 1960s after a long professional association. For many years, she and Frank (a musician and a dancer before the Second World War) ran the Royston Ballroom in Penge, South London. Peggy Spencer was a regular TV dance commentator. She was a leading coach for competitive Latin dancers, and was influential in both Ballroom and Latin American branches of the ISTD (Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing). Her ballroom formation team was twice invited to dance for Queen Elizabeth II at Buckingham Palace. For 40 years, her teams appeared in the BBC television series 'Come Dancing'.

Spencer choreographed a dance sequence for a Beatles video ('Your Mother Should Know'), and the tango for Rudolph Nureyev in the film 'Valentino' (1977). She was a choreographer for the Burn the Floor dance show, which combined ballroom dances with modern dance. She appeared on the BBC children's show 'Blue Peter', bringing young dancers from her classes to demonstrate. In 1993 she was the subject of the TV show 'This Is Your Life'.

In 2004 Spencer became President of the ISTD. She received multiple awards for her work in teaching and adjudicating in ballroom dancing, including eight Carl Alan Awards. She and Frank were both appointed MBE in 1977.

Custodial History: Deposited with Bishopsgate Institute by Helena Anderson, November 2017.

Scope and Content:

Papers, photographs, memorabilia of professional ballroom dancer and choreographer Peggy Spencer (1920-2016), including photographs of performances with her dancing partner Frank Spencer and other renowned dancers of the period, [1940s-2016]

System of Arrangement:

No further arrangement at present.

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| SPENCER/1 | 'Dual Dancing': photographs | 1955 |
| | <p>37 amateur and professional black-and-white photographs of dancing partners Peggy and Frank Spencer with fellow partners Walter Laird and Ande Lyons, in a cabaret routine entitled 'Dual Dancers', as performed at the Coventry Evening Telegraph annual staff party in Matrix Hall, Coventry. Also a performance featuring the Spencers with Jack Barrington and Joan Baron. Professional photographs taken by Douglas Elston, Dulain Photos, Century Photos, Photo-Records, Maurice Strowbridge. Includes printed programme of the event, [09 December 1955]
 OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/2 | Early dancing days: photographs | 1940s |
| | <p>Amateur and professional black-and-white photographs of the early dancing days of dancers including Peggy and Frank Spencer, Sylvia Sylve (Frank Spencer's first wife and dancing partner), Maisie Harris and Joan Barron. Professional photographs taken by Leonard Hill, Dance News, Donald Bignell, J. C. Hardingham, John Heddon, Maurice Strowbridge, [1940s]
 OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/3 | Peggy, Frank, Sylvia - dancing days and T.V. (photographs) | 1942-1993 |
| | <p>Amateur and professional black-and-white and colour photographs of dancers Peggy and Frank Spencer and Sylvia Sylve as featured on television dance and variety programmes such as the BBC's 'Come Dancing' and 'Blue Peter', and ITV's 'Surprise, Surprise', with fellow professionals including Bruce Forsyth, Cilla Black, Harry Worth, Tony Hancock. Professional photographs taken by Denis Waugh, Dance News, Maurice Fernandez, Patrick Smith Associates, London Weekend Television, Maurice Strowbridge, [1942-1993]
 OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/4 | Penge ballroom teams reunion : photographs | ca. 1959-1990 |
| | <p>Amateur and professional black-and-white and</p> | |

colour photographs of dancers Peggy and Frank Spencer and members of the Penge ballroom teams at their televised reunion. Also some photographs of dance competitions at Filey and Cleethorpes, [1959-1990]

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SPENCER/5 Penge senior team in Germany : 1965-1984
photographs

Amateur and professional black-and-white and colour photographs of dancers Peggy and Frank Spencer and members of the Penge senior ballroom team competing in Germany and Blackpool, [ca. 1965-1984]

Includes:

- colour photographs of the German teams

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SPENCER/6 Penge senior team, Woodbine Grove Dance ca. 1974
Centre : photographs

Amateur and professional black-and-white and colour photographs of dancers Peggy and Frank Spencer and members of the Penge senior ballroom team competing at the Woodbine Grove Dance Centre, Penge, at the Winter Garden in Blackpool, and in Berlin, Germany, [ca. 1974]

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SPENCER/7 Penge junior team, Blackpool : photographs 1979-1982

Amateur and professional black-and-white and colour photographs of the Penge All Girls and Boys and Girls Junior teams, [1979-1982]

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SPENCER/8 Sarawak, Malaysia : photographs 1993

Colour photographs and ephemera of a visit to Sarawak Cultural Village, Borneo, Malaysia, [1993]

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SPENCER/9 Malaysia : photographs 1997

Colour photographs of a visit by Peggy Spencer and members of the dance team to Malaysia, and of a return visit by Malaysian professional

ballroom dancers to Blackpool, [1993]

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SPENCER/10 Come Dancing : photographs 1990

Colour photographs of Peggy on the BBC programme 'Come Dancing' in Blackpool, receiving a special award, [1990]

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SPENCER/11 Dancing school, Lagos : photographs

Colour and black-and-white photographs of the dancing school in Lagos, Nigeria and its founder, Peggy Spencer's former pupil Valentine Aneke, who was the first Black dancer to be in any British Formation team, and his wife Angela Aneke, [n.d.]

OPEN

SPENCER/12 Penge Latin team (youth) : photographs 1976

Colour and black-and-white photographs of Peggy and Frank Spencer with their students from the Penge Latin Team (Youth) at the Royal Albert Hall, Woodbine Grove Spencer Dance Centre, and Rivoli Ballroom, Catford, [1976]

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SPENCER/13 Penge Latin team, Blackpool Championships : photographs 1982

Colour and black-and-white photographs of Peggy and Frank Spencer with their students from the Penge Latin Team at the competition championships in Blackpool. Professional photographs as appeared in Dance News (ed. John Leach), [1982]

OPEN

SPENCER/14 Penge Ballroom team : photographs ca. 1950s-2000

Colour and black-and-white photographs of Peggy and Frank Spencer with their colleagues and students from the Penge Ballroom and Latin Teams at the Royal Albert Hall, Royston Ballroom, and at the Carlton (ITV) rooms at Maida Vale. Includes images from the Royal Command performance in 1958, appearance

on the Tony Hancock show, and a reunion of the team, [ca. 1950-2000]

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| SPENCER/15 | Penang PJ Academy : photographs | 1989 |
| | Colour photographs of Peggy and Frank Spencer with their colleagues and students at Penang PJ Academy, Kuala Lumpur; at the Chinese school; and at Singapore, [1989] | |
| | OPEN | |
| SPENCER/16 | Penang Latin tem, Germany : photographs | ca. 1989 |
| | Colour photographs of Peggy and Frank Spencer with their colleagues and students from the Penge Latin team in Germany, [ca. 1989] | |
| | OPEN | |
| SPENCER/17 | Press clippings | 1968-2017 |
| | Press clippings featuring Peggy and Frank Spencer. Also a registration leaflet from the Official Board of Ballroom Dancing, and a booklet advertising Frank and Peggy Spencer's Modern Dance Studios, [1968-2017] | |
| | OPEN | |
| SPENCER/18 | Scrapbook | 1949 |
| | Scrapbook of press clippings regarding Peggy and Frank Spencer, the Spencer School and team competitions. Includes a letter to the editor written by Frank Spencer championing dance for boys, [6pp] [1949-ca. 1955] | |
| | OPEN | |
| SPENCER/19 | Educational materials and syllabuses | 1993-2006 |
| | Educational booklets produced by the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing, [1993-2006]
Includes:
- Lecturers Handbook, with Introduction by Peggy Spencer MBE, [9pp] [2 copies] [ca. 2000]
- Syllabus of Rock 'n' Roll and Disco/Freestyle Examinations, [1993]
- Disco Freestyle and Rock 'n' Roll Branch Congress booklet, [1994] | |

- Syllabus of Modern Ballroom and Alternative Rhythms Committee, [1999]
- Disco/Freestyle and Rock 'n Roll newsletter, [September 1999]
- Syllabus outline for Latin American Dance, Disco/Freestyle/Rock 'n' Roll, Modern Ballroom and Sequence Dance Faculties, grades 1-6, [March 2006]
- Dancing Directory, [2005]

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SPENCER/20	Festival programmes	1948-2009
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Souvenir programmes, flyers and ephemera from dance festivals, conferences and Royal performances, [1948-2009]

Includes:

- Spring Congress, ISTD Dance Examinations Board, [15 March 2009]
- programme for 57th International [Professional Standard and Professional Latin] Championships, [2009]
- programme for Blackpool Dance Festival, [2005]
- programme for 23rd annual Blackpool Dance Festival, [1948]
- leaflet for Summer Ballroom Dancing Festival, Cheltenham, [2007]
- souvenir booklet from Royal Performance in the presence of Her Majesty the Queen, at the Coliseum, London, [03 November 1958]

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SPENCER/21	Press clippings	1964-2010
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Press clippings regarding Peggy Spencer and ballroom dancing, [1964-2010]

Includes:

- 'Dance legend Peggy Spencer is 90 today', Lynn News, [24 September 2010]
- 'Olympics set to embrace a world that is strictly ballroom', Daily Telegraph, [14 October 1995]
- 'Come Dancing', Radio Times, [03 March 1964]
- entire issue of Phoenix '67 magazine, published by the Phoenix Club of Penge, [1967]

OPEN

SPENCER/22 Correspondence and writings 1986-2004

Correspondence, ephemera and photographs regarding Peggy Spencer and the Central Council of Physical Recreation, [1986-2004]

Includes:

- typescript document by Peggy Spencer regarding her memories of Rita Pover
- typescript tribute to Sammy Harris
- list of winners of World Championship titles for Latin American and/or Ballroom Dancing (1959-1989)
- photographs of team reunion and awards ceremonies, (1986-2000)
- flyer for 'Latin Spectacular!' performed by the Frank & Peggy Spencer Dancers
- pen-and-ink drawing of dancers entitled 'Tango' by Helen J Chown

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SPENCER/23 Press reviews of Come Dancing book by the Spencers 1968

Press clippings from numerous local UK newspapers reviewing Frank and Peggy Spencer's book, 'Come Dancing', [1968]

OPEN

SPENCER/24 Page proofs of 'Joy of Dancing' 1997

Marked set (marked-up pages only) of Peggy Spencer's book, 'The Joy of Dancing'. Includes two sets of proofs and Peggy's draft introduction, [1997]

OPEN

SPENCER/25 Souvenir scrapbook of Buckingham Palace garden party 1992

Scrapbook with correspondence, photographs and memorabilia recording Peggy Spencer's attendance at a garden party at Buckingham Palace, [09 July 1992]

OPEN

SPENCER/26 Dance book manuscripts

Two typescript copies of books about dance:

- A Concise Encyclopaedia of Latin American and American Dance, compiled by Thomas

Bus, [n.d.]
- Rock and Roll: popular variations, written and
presented by Steve Kemsley, [n.d.]
OPEN

SPENCER/27	King's Lynn Deputy Mayoress	2001
	Photographs and memorabilia regarding the 'Ceremony of Mayormaking' at King's Lynn, Norfolk, when Peggy Spencer was named Deputy Mayoress, [17 May 2001] OPEN	
SPENCER/28	Senior Formation Team photos	2001
	Photo album of the Senior Formation Team, Gaywood, King's Lynn, [2001] OPEN	
SPENCER/29	Peggy Spencer 90th birthday	2010
	Photo album commemorating Peggy Spencer's 90th birthday celebrations, [2010] OPEN	
SPENCER/30	Photo album	1950s-2000s
	Photo album with images of Peggy and professional dancers and television personalities, [1950s-2000s] OPEN	
SPENCER/31	Press and memorabilia	1950s-2016
	Photographs, press clippings and ephemera regarding , [1950s-2016] Includes: - press clipping, 'Peggy's strictly amazing life on the dance floor ...', KL [King's Lynn] magazine, issue 73, [October 2016] - black-and-white photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer and other dancers including Walter Laird and Ande Lyons, [1950s?] - large (A4) colour prints of Peggy Spencer, with Frank Spencer and at various points in her career OPEN	
SPENCER/32	Latin Team photo album	

Deputy Mayoress of King's Lynn. Stored with SPENCER/36 and SPENCER/37, [2001-2002]
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| SPENCER/39 | Framed photograph : Deputy Mayoress | 2001 |
| | Large framed photo of Peggy Spencer as Deputy Mayoress of King's Lynn with Deputy Mayor Andy Tyler. Stored with SPENCER/95, [2001]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/40 | Photos : Peggy Spencer | 1950-2000s |
| | Photographs and colour photocopies of photos of Peggy Spencer, chiefly later in life but one black-and-white portrait ca. 1950, [1950-2000s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/41 | Photos : Frank and Peggy Spencer | 1950-2000s |
| | Black-and-white photographs, 'Frank and Peggy early dancing days/Carl Alan Awards'; also some later colour photographs, [1950-2000s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/42 | Photos : Frank and Peggy Spencer | 1950-2000s |
| | Black-and-white photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer performing at various televised and public events. Includes many photographs from early in their career. Also colour photo of Peggy ca. 2010, [1950s-2000s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/43 | Photos : Spencer Dance Centre | 1980s-2000s |
| | Colour photographs of Spencer Dance Centre, Woodbine Grove, Maple Road, Penge; birthday celebrations; World Champion Latin American team and pupils of Penge, [ca. 1980s-2000s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/44 | Photos : Frank and Peggy Spencer | 1940s-2010s |
| | Black-and-white and colour photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer performing or attending various events. Includes many | |

photographs from early in their career. Also colour photos of Peggy ca. 2000s, [1940s-2010s]

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SPENCER/45	Photos : television appearances	1950s-1970s
	Black-and-white photographs of Peggy Spencer performing on various television programmes or pictured with contemporary television celebrities, [1950s-1970s] OPEN	
SPENCER/46	Photos : Latin team at Barbican Centre	1989
	Photographs of CCPR (Central Council of Physical Recreation) at the Barbican Centre, with Peggy Spencer's Latin Team and Elizabethan Dancers, at a celebration of 800 years of Lord Mayors of London, [1989] OPEN	
SPENCER/47	Photos : Staff and close colleagues	1960s-1993
	Photographs of Spencer Centre staff and colleagues, [1960s-1993] OPEN	
SPENCER/48	Photos : Spencer Dance Centre	1960s
	Photographs of Spencer Dance Centre, Woodbine Grove, Penge : opening and events, [1960s] OPEN	
SPENCER/49	Photos : Woodbine Grove, Penge	1980s?
	Photographs (black-and-white and colour) of Woodbine Grove, Penge dance centre, [1980s?] OPEN	
SPENCER/50	Photos : Royston Ballroom, Penge	1950s
	Photographs (black-and-white) of Royston Ballroom, Penge, [1950s] OPEN	
SPENCER/51	Photos : Royston Ballroom, Penge	1950s

	<p>Photographs (black-and-white) of Royston Ballroom, Penge, [1950s] OPEN</p>	
SPENCER/52	<p>Photos : Disco drama workshop</p> <p>Photographs (colour and black-and-white) of disco drama workshop; Her Majesty the Queen at Royal Russell School; Crystal Palace Festival, [1979] OPEN</p>	1979
SPENCER/53	<p>Photos : television shows and awards</p> <p>Photographs (colour and black-and-white) of television shows and awards. Includes images of Larry Grayson, Blue Peter, Surprise Surprise (Cilla Black), Carl Alan, Princess Margaret, Esther Williams, Joe Loss, Dame Beryl Gray, Her Majesty the Queen (at the London Palladium), [1960s-1970s] OPEN</p>	1960s-1970s
SPENCER/54	<p>Photos : Competitors</p> <p>Photographs (colour and black-and-white) of 'Competitors including Robert and Margaret', [1960s] OPEN</p>	1960s
SPENCER/55	<p>Photos : miscellaneous</p> <p>Photographs (colour and black-and-white) of friends of the Spencers', competitions, prize-givings and other events, [1960s-1970s] OPEN</p>	1960s-1970s
SPENCER/56	<p>Formation team certificates</p> <p>Two certificates from the Europa Cup, Deutsches Amateur Turnieramt, Berlin, for Modern and Latin American dance, respectively, [1965] OPEN</p>	1965
SPENCER/57	<p>This Is Your Life</p> <p>Commemorative photo album, in a grey box, featuring photographs from Peggy Spencer's appearance on the ITV television programme</p>	1993

'This Is Your Life', [1993]

OPEN

SPENCER/58 Frank Spencer 1903-1988

Papers, photographs, press clippings regarding Frank Spencer. Stored with SPENCER/102 [1903-1988]

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SPENCER/59 Carl Alan Awards 2007

Souvenir programme for the International Dance Teachers' Association Carl Alan Awards (1953-2007), [2007]

OPEN

SPENCER/60 Photos: Penge Latin teams 1960s, 1990s

Colour and black-and-white photographs of, and advertising postcards for, the Spencer Dance Centre's Latin teams, [ca. 1960s, 1990s]

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SPENCER/61 Photos: South London and Orpington Latin teams 1970s

Colour and black-and-white photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer with the South London Latin team and Orpington Latin team, [ca. 1970s]

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SPENCER/62 Photos: Penge junior teams 1976-1979

Colour and black-and-white photographs and press clippings of the Junior teams from Spencer Dance Centre, Penge. Also a Christmas card and thank-you card made out to Peggy thanking her 'for all you do', [1976-1979]

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SPENCER/63 Royal Variety command performance 1958-1997

Black-and-white photograph, invitation and official portrait of Queen Elizabeth II from the Royal Variety Show/Command Performance at London's Coliseum (1958). Couples included

Alf Clark and Jean Hall, Alan and Maureen Freeman, Dennis and Margaret Read, Peter and Nora North, Bill Colyer and Sheila Hewitt, Victor Norman and Jaquie Wood, George Mitchell and Marlene James, Michael Ward and Christine Sanders. Also invitation to a reception at Buckingham Palace (1997), and a certificate honouring 'Ballroom Dancing's Contribution to the Queen's Silver Jubilee Appeal (1977), [1958-1997]
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| SPENCER/64 | Photos: Formation teams (junior) | 1990s? |
| | Colour photographs of the Junior Formation teams of Spencer Dance Centre, [ca. 1990s]
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| SPENCER/65 | Formation team certificates | 1955-1956 |
| | Certificates awarded to the Penge Formation team, [1955-1956]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/66 | Gaywood team senior citizens | |
| | Colour photographs of Peggy Spencer with the Gaywood Senior Citizens' team (ca.2005). Also colour photographs labelled 'Thurgoods' (n.d.) and a black-and-white photograph with a note on the back describing it as 'a 1919-vintage Arthur Murray lesson in the Hesitation Waltz for silent-movie queen Anita Stewart.'
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| SPENCER/67 | Photos: Formation teams Latin | |
| | Colour photographs of the Spencer Formation teams, at competitions and private and public events including wedding photos of two of Peggy Spencer's pupils,[ca. 1980s-1990s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/68 | Photos: Penge Latin teams | |
| | Black-and-white and colour photographs of the Penge Latin teams, [ca. 1950s-1990s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/69 | Photos: Penge Ballroom teams | |

Black-and-white and colour photographs of the Penge Ballroom teams, taken chiefly during the 1950s, [ca. 1950s]

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SPENCER/70 Photos: Ballroom team at European Formation Championship 1987

Black-and-white and colour photographs of the Ballroom team in Essen, Germany, representing Great Britain at the European Formatino Championship, [1987]

OPEN

SPENCER/71 Photos: Penge Latin team, Blackpool 1988-1997

Colour photographs and press clippings regarding the Penge Latin team at Blackpool. Includes an issue of Dance News (14 September 1995) with the front page headline 'End of an Era: 21st Penge Latin Team Retires En Bloc', [1988-1997]

OPEN

SPENCER/72 'Peggy Spencer MBE : This Was Your Show' 1998

Commemorative folder with 'An Evening with Peggy Spencer' and 'This Was Your Show' on the cover, featuring photographs and souvenir booklet from an evening dedicated to Peggy Spencer in aid of research by the National Osteoporosis Society, sponsored by King's Lynn & District Group and held at , [05 July 1998]

OPEN

SPENCER/73 Peggy Spencer artwork 1996-2010

Large black ring binder. A note written attached to the front cover reads, 'At the age of 76-90 Peggy attended art classes given by her daughter Helena. These are a few of her excellent efforts!' Stored with SPENCER/88, [1996-2010]

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SPENCER/74 Press clippings 1994, 2016

Press regarding Peggy Spencer: Yours

magazine (September 1994) featuring Peggy Spencer on the cover; KL [King's Lynn] magazine (October 2016), [1994, 2016]
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| SPENCER/75 | Monaco | 1973 |
| | Photographs, press clippings and memorabilia from Peggy and Frank Spencer's visit to Monaco as guest of Prince Rainier and Princess Grace, [1973]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/76 | This Is Your Life | 1993 |
| | Photographs from Peggy Spencer's appearance on This Is Your Life, [1993]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/77 | Kuala Lumpur, Penang, Malaysia | 1993 |
| | Photographs from Peggy Spencer's visit to Kuala Lumpur and Penang in Malaysia, [1993]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/78 | Medal tests | 1990-1993 |
| | Photographs of medal tests where Peggy Spencer was an examiner, along with postcards and ephemera from Spencer's visits to Borneo, Kotakinabalook, Sarawak, Singapore, Kuala Lumpur and Kuching, with Stephan Hann, Agnes and James Lim, [1990-1993]
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| SPENCER/79 | Photo album : Frank and Peggy | 1950s-1970s |
| | Photo album with chiefly black-and-white photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer from early in their career, [1950s-1970s]
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| SPENCER/80 | Photo album : Frank and Peggy Spencer MBEs | 1977 |
| | Photo album with chiefly black-and-white photographs, press clippings and official correspondence regarding the awarding of the MBE (Member of the Most Excellent Order of | |

the British Empire) to Frank and Peggy
Spencer, [1977]
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| SPENCER/81 | Photo album : Frank Spencer | 1940s-
1950s |
| | Photo album with chiefly black-and-white photographs from very early formation teams of Frank Spencer's, including that in South Africa in the 1940s, [1940s-1950s]
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| SPENCER/82 | Photos : Formation teams' weddings | 1950s-
1980s |
| | Photographs from the weddings of various members of the Spencers' formation teams, [1950s-1980s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/83 | Photos : Penge 'Tea Dance Gang' | ca. 1990s |
| | Photographs of visits to King's Lynn (to Peggy Spencer) by the 'Tea Dance Gang' from Penge, [ca. 1990s]
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| SPENCER/84 | Photos : Team members' weddings | ca. 1990s |
| | Wedding photos for members of the Spencers' formation teams, [ca. 1990s]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/85 | Photos : Royal Variety performances | 1961-2003 |
| | Photographs of Royal Variety performances, panto productions, and personal correspondence from the Spencers' pupils. Also official programmes for two Royal weddings (Prince Charles and Lady Diana Spencer, 1981, and Prince Andrew and Sarah Ferguson, 1986), [1961-2003]
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| SPENCER/86 | Photos : Denmark and Sweden | 1977 |
| | Photographs of formation teams' visits to Denmark and Sweden, [1977]
OPEN | |
| SPENCER/87 | Photos : Penge Latin teams | 1982-1983 |

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Framed certificate from the Guild of Professional Teachers of Dancing, 'to place on record their sincere appreciation of the meritorious services given to the Guild by Peggy Spencer MBE, in particular for her outstanding work in furthering the art of dancing and movement to music'. Stored with SPENCER/73, [1997]

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Box of approximately 55 35-mm photograph slides. A note originally with them, written by Peggy Spencer's daughter, indicated that these are 'travel slides', [n.d.]

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Small trophy engraved 'Peggy Spencer MBE
with best compliment from Raymond School of
Dancing Penang, Malaysia, [n.d.]

OPEN

Small trophy engraved '1st Medallist
Competition Penang, 20 Feb. 1993, Latin
American Dancing, Mrs Peggy Spencer MBE
Judge, [1993]

OPEN

SPENCER/93 Photos: Penang and Singapore ca. 1990s

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Photo album labelled 'Malaysia', [n.d.]

OPEN

1980-1986

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Notes for published work by Peggy Spencer with titles including 'Samba', 'Waltz' and 'The Foxtrot' ; also box labelled 'photographs for book' containing black-and-white photograph illustrations for, presumably, one of Spencer's books (Come Dancing or The Joy of Dancing?), [n.d.]

OPEN

Small round cut-crystal vase with lattice-work metal cover - perhaps a trophy? No inscription. Stored with SPENCER/161, [n.d.]

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Heavy glass trophy etched with the inscription 'Imperial Society Teachers of Dancing, Dance Examinations Board 1904-2004, ISTD Lifetime Achievement Award Presented to Mrs Peggy Spencer MBE, Centenary Dinner Dance, 14th March 2004, Royal Lancaster Hotel, London. Stored with SPENCER/161, [2004]

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1996

Trophy depicting three Marshall speakers, inscribed 'The Marshall Amplification Trophy,

BBC Television Come Dancing 1996, Team Match'. Stored with SPENCER/161, [1996]
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SPENCER/100 Educational materials 1975-1992

Booklet, 'Formation Dancing and Medal Tests : Notes for Teachers' (published by Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing, 1975); World of Dance part-book, 'Let's Dance', parts 1-4 (ca. 1990); ISTD Disco Freestyle Rock 'n' Roll Branch syllabus (1992), [1975-1992]
OPEN

SPENCER/101 Danselaerersammenslutning Kongressen trophy 1971

Trophy, blue glass in the shape of a rum bottle, inscribed in gold lettering (in Norwegian) 'Danselaerersammenlutning Kongressen 1971' [Dance Teachers' Association Congress]. Stored with SPENCER/161, [1971]
OPEN

SPENCER/102 Photo album, 'King's Lynn and area' ca. 1990s-2000s

Photo album labelled 'King's Lynn and area' with colour photos of Peggy Spencer and friends and family. Stored with SPENCER/58, [ca. 1990s-2000s]
OPEN

SPENCER/103 Photos: team reunion 1990-2000

Colour photographs including photo album labelled 'Team Reunion 2000' and loose photos labelled 'Peggy's birthday 70th Maple Rd Penge' (1990), also solitary photo in folder with 'Souvenir du Portugal' printed on the front, [1990-2000]
OPEN

SPENCER/104 'Stars of Fairfield Cook Book' 1983

'Stars of Fairfield Cook Book', with recipes by Peggy Spencer and other celebrities including Alan Bates, George Melly, Val Doonican, Lenny Henry and Glenda Jackson, [2 copies] [1983]

OPEN

SPENCER/105 Bromley and Croydon Museums 2003-2009

Correspondence and photographs regarding a loan of one of Peggy Spencer's dresses to the Museum of Croydon, an exhibition entitled 'Dancing for All' at Bromley Museum, and portraits of Frank and Peggy Spencer donated to the Bromley Museum, [2003-2009]

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SPENCER/106 Teaching notes 1966-1995

Teaching guides and notes, printed and typescript, produced by the Spencer Dance Centre, the ISTD (Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing), and the Norwegian Dansepaedagogisk Forening, [1966-1995]

OPEN

SPENCER/107 Memorabilia 1960-1990

Memorabilia. Includes three small photo albums with colour photos of the Trooping of the Colour at Buckingham Palace (1990), publicity photo of Peggy Spencer at the time of the launch of one of her books (ca. 1990); greetings cards from friends of the Spencers'; professional examination report from the Imperial Society of Teachers of Dancing (1960); Peggy Spencer's Latin American Fellowship certificate (1936); black-and-white photograph of Peggy Spencer with Terry Wogan (ca. 1977); souvenir booklet from a reception at Buckinham Palace in honour of 'Sport in the Life of the Nation', [1960-1990]

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SPENCER/108 Press clippings - radio appearances 1991

Press clippings, correspondence and photographs regarding Peggy Spencer's 'promotion journey around the country from Radio Station to Radio Station - Newspaper to Newspaper, etc.', [1991]

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SPENCER/109 Newspaper cuttings 1961-2007

	<p>Press clippings regarding dance news, Peggy Spencer, the Gaywood Arts Centre, and many articles in German regarding a dancer called Michael Hull (b. 1959), a judge on 'Let's Dance' (the German version of Strictly Come Dancing), [1961-2007]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	
SPENCER/110	Original lecture notes	1962-1988
	<p>Original lecture notes written by Frank and Peggy Spencer. Also original notes for the book 'The ABC of World Dances', and for an article regarding dance, and for an episode of the BBC radio programme 'Roundabout' (ca. 1962) on which Peggy appeared, [1962-1988]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	
SPENCER/111	It Takes Two	1960s-2006
	<p>Photos including those from the BBC2 television programme 'It Takes Two' (a companion programme to 'Strictly Come Dancing', [1960s-2006]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	
SPENCER/112	Elizabeth Romain and Bill Irvine tributes	2007-2008
	<p>Tributes written by Peggy Spencer for Elizabeth Anidjah Romain, author of the book 'Let's Go Dancing', and of William Irvine MBE, former president of the ISTD, on the occasion of their deaths, [2007-2008]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	
SPENCER/113	Qualifications and memorial services	1960s-2016
	<p>Papers regarding a House of Commons debate on qualifications for teachers of dance. Also the order of service and other papers for the respective memorial services for Frank and Peggy Spencer. Also press releases regarding BBC programmes with which Peggy Spencer was involved, [1960s-2016]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	
SPENCER/114	Excel 2000	2002-2006
	<p>Minutes, publications and photographs regarding the educational charity Excel 2000,</p>	

of which Peggy was a patron, [2002-2006]

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| SPENCER/115 | Old postcards of Bromley, Croydon and Penge | 1970s |
| | <p>Photo album containing black-and-white postcards, produced in 1972, featuring images of Bromley, Croydon and Penge in the 1910s and 1920s. Also five £1 notes, ca. 1970, [1970s]
OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/116 | Photo album of Spencers' wedding | 1968 |
| | <p>Photo album containing photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer's wedding and honeymoon. Also press clipping, 'The dancing Spencers reveal their secret wedding', which explains that 'they took advantage of a new law, which allows a man to marry his sister-in-law', [1968]
OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/117 | Angela Rippon | 1998-1999 |
| | <p>Correspondence from Angela Rippon and the British Red Cross to Peggy Spencer regarding the charity initiative DancePower, 'your chance to use dance to help people in crisis and celebrate the Power of Humanity', [1998-1999]
OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/118 | World Dancing Hall of Fame | 2007-2008 |
| | <p>Correspondence and papers regarding Peggy Spencer's induction into the World Dancing Hall of Fame. Includes biographical material about Peggy and a translation of an interview with the German Vice-President of the World Dance Council, [2007-2008]
OPEN</p> | |
| SPENCER/119 | The Joy of Dancing | 1998-1999 |
| | <p>Press clippings (photocopies) and photographs from the time of the publication of Peggy Spencer's book, The Joy of Dancing, [1998-1999]</p> | |

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| SPENCER/120 | Len Goodman | 2012 |
| <p>Correspondence from Len Goodman, Dame Beryl Grey, and Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II (this last to a Mrs J Anderson on being informed of Peggy Spencer giving her final dance class, aged 91), [2012]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/121 | Strictly Come Dancing | 2004-2005 |
| <p>Correspondence and press clippings regarding the BBC1 television programme Strictly Come Dancing, Peggy Spencer's views of it (having been asked previously to appear on the programme/be involved in it), and her idea for another programme that would be called 'Dance Club', [2004-2005]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/122 | Photos : Frank and Peggy | 1940s-2010s |
| <p>Photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer, at their home next to Royston Ballroom, Penge, and dancing professionally with each other and with earlier partners (including Frank's first wife, Sylvia Sylve) [1940s-2010s]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/123 | Royal Command Performance | 1950s-1980s |
| <p>Photographs of Frank and Peggy Spencer with celebrities including Tony Hancock, Frankie Vaughn and Norman Wisdom, and with dancers and students at the Dance Centre in Woodbine Grove [1950s-1980s]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/124 | 'Peggy Spencer' the racehorse | 2005 |
| <p>Press clippings, correspondence, photographs and framed painting of a racehorse mare named after Peggy Spencer and some of its seven foals, all named by Peggy, including one called 'La Cucaracha', [2005]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/125 | Photo album: opening of Spencer Dance | 1960s |

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Photo album of the preparation, decoration and opening of the Spencer Dance Centre in Penge, [1960s]

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SPENCER/126	Photo album: Penge Ballroom team	1960s
	Photo album of the Penge Ballroom team, [1960s]	
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SPENCER/127	Photo album: Penge Latin and Ballroom teams	1988
	Photo album of the Penge Latin and Ballroom teams, Dortmund and the Netherlands, [1988]	
	OPEN	
SPENCER/128	Photo album: Tea Dance weekend	1987
	Photo album of the Tea Dance weekend, King's Lynn, [1987]	
	OPEN	
SPENCER/129	Photo album: competition, Bremerhaven	1980s
	Photo album of Ballroom competition in Germany, [1980s]	
	OPEN	
SPENCER/130	Photo album: Penge team	1990
	Two small photo albums of the Penge team at Blackpool, [1990]	
	OPEN	
SPENCER/131	Photo album: Penge team	1983-1984
	Photo album of the Penge team competing in Blackpool and Europe, and on the Esther Rantzen television programme, [1983-1984]	
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SPENCER/132	Photo album: Penge Latin team at the Royal Variety performance	1986
	Photo album of the Penge Latin team at the Royal Variety performance, [1986]	

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SPENCER/133	Photo album: the first Penge Latin teams	1950s
	Photo album of the first Penge Latin teams, [1950s] OPEN	
SPENCER/134	Photo album: Penge Latin teams	1950s
	Photo album of Penge Latin teams, [1950s] OPEN	
SPENCER/135	Photo album: South London Penge Ballroom team	1950s-1960s
	Photo album of Penge Ballroom team. Also reprint from The Stage magazine with photographs of some of the performers at the Royal Variety Performance (November 1958), [1950s-1960s] OPEN	
SPENCER/136	Photo album: various television and film events	1960s-1980s
	Photo album of the Spencer Dance Centre dancers and Peggy Spencer on various television programmes and events, [1960s-1980s] OPEN	
SPENCER/137	A Comprehensive Technical Analysis : Ballroom Dancing	2003
	Typescript loose-bound book, 'A Comprehensive Technical Analysis : Ballroom Dancing : including all syllabus figures in chart form' by Alex Macpherson (2nd ed), signed 'with compliments' by the author, [287pp] [2003] OPEN	
SPENCER/138	MBE	1992-2000
	Souvenir booklets regarding the Service of Dedication at St Paul's Cathedral and the statutes pertaining to the awarding of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire to Peggy Spencer (13 May 1992). Also typescript	

autobiographical details Peggy Spencer has written after a request from the Rotary Club, and a studio photographic portrait of Peggy (ca. 2000), [1992-2000]

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| SPENCER/139 | Team reunions | 2000s |
| <p>Photographs of the Penge Latin team and South London Ballroom team reunions. Also photographs labelled 'Thurgood and Maureen, Beckenham', [ca. 2000s]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/140 | Ballroom Blitz | 2003-2004 |
| <p>Photographs and typescript reports regarding the 2003 and 2004 'Ballroom Blitz' at the Royal Festival Hall, London, [2003-2004]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/141 | Party dances and games | 1982-1998 |
| <p>Booklet, Party Dances and Games (1986 large-scale edition and 1998 reprint) produced by the ISTD. Also press clipping, 'Penge dancers jet off to the world championships' (21 October 1988), two certificates stating that the Penge Latin Formation Team has won the British Latin Formation Championship and that the Penge Senior Formation Team has won the British Modern Formation Championship, at Blackpool (25 May 1982), [1982-1998]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/142 | Photo album: 80th birthday | 2000 |
| <p>Photo album of Peggy Spencer's 80th birthday celebrations, [2000]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/143 | Photo album: 90th birthday | 2010 |
| <p>Two photo album containing images from Peggy Spencer's 90th birthday celebrations, [2010]</p> <p>OPEN</p> | | |
| SPENCER/144 | Photo album: tracing family roots in Ireland | 2000s |

	<p>Photo album of Peggy Spencer's visit to Dublin, tracing her mother's footsteps, and the Hull family reunion in Essex, [ca. 2000s]</p> <p>APPLY TO ARCHIVIST</p>	
SPENCER/145	<p>Peggy artwork</p> <p>Scrapbook album of Peggy Spencer's watercolours and drawings, [ca. 1990s-2000s]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	<p>1990s-2000s</p>
SPENCER/146	<p>Television shows</p> <p>Photographs of the Spencers' appearances on television programmes including 'Surprise, Surprise' hosted by Cilla Black. Also press cutting, 'Packed church for memorial service', regarding the service held for Peggy Spencer at St Paul's Church, Covent Garden (yourlocalpaper, 23 September 2016), [1990s-2016]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	<p>1990s-2016</p>
SPENCER/147	<p>Wedding photos</p> <p>Photographs of the Spencers' wedding day. Also photographs of Peggy's 90th birthday, [1968-2010]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	<p>1968-2000s</p>
SPENCER/148	<p>Malaysia</p> <p>Press clippings regarding Malaysia trip, November-December, [1989]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	<p>1989</p>
SPENCER/149	<p>Press clippings</p> <p>Photo album full of press clippings regarding the Spencers and dance, [1968-1990]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	<p>1968-1990</p>
SPENCER/150	<p>Examiners and exam papers</p> <p>Handwritten and typescript notes on examinations for various dances including the rumba, samba, paso doble and jive, [n.d.]</p> <p>OPEN</p>	

- SPENCER/151 Script for show**
- Binder with handwritten and typescript notes for what may have been a special performance or awards ceremony for young dancers, [n.d.]
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- SPENCER/152 Press clippings 1990s**
- Scrapbook of press clippings, [1990s]
OPEN
- SPENCER/153 Press clippings 1958-1993**
- Press clippings. Includes copies of the images of performers at the Royal Variety performance 1958 (see also SPENCER/123), [1958-1993]
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- SPENCER/154 Script for 'The Next Steps' 1994**
- Typescript script for 'The Next Steps', for which Peggy provided voice-over, [1994]
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- SPENCER/155 Dance Exercise routines**
- Ruled notebook labelled 'Disco-Beat Dance Exercise Routines' with handwritten notes on the choreography for various 'disco dances', [n.d.]
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- SPENCER/156 An evening with Peggy Spencer 1998**
- Typescript order of proceedings and script for 'An Evening with Peggy Spencer' dance celebration (see also SPENCER/72 and SPENCER/151), [05 July 1998]
OPEN
- SPENCER/157 'Spotlight on Dance' 1995**
- Notebook with typescript 'Spotlight on Dance : CCPR [Central Council of Physical Recreation] National Festival of Movement and Dance, Royal Albert Hall', [30 September 1995]

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SPENCER/158 Formation Teachers' Guild 1988-1993

Notebook of typescript training notes,
correspondence and agenda for the
Formation Teachers' Guild, [1988-1993]
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SPENCER/159 Cassette and VHS tapes

Audio cassette tapes and VHS video tapes of
Peggy Spencer and her students
OPEN

SPENCER/160 DVDs and CDs

DVDs and CDs of recorded performances by
Peggy and Frank Spencer and their pupils;
also professional DVDs of performers such as
Len Goodman
OPEN

SPENCER/161 Trophies

Large blue plastic container with some of
Peggy Spencer's awards and trophies. Please
note that items SPENCER/97, SPENCER/98,
SPENCER/99 and SPENCER/101 are also in
this box.
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SPENCER/162 Magical Mystery Tour framed photo

Large frame containing three colour photos
from the video that accompanied the Beatles'
album 'Magical Mystery Tour' and, particularly,
their song 'Your Mother Should Know', the
dance in the video for which Peggy Spencer
choreographed, [ca. 1968]
OPEN

SPENCER/163 Trophy

Large bubble-wrapped parcel labelled
'Signature Finest Quality Engraved Glassware'
OPEN

SPENCER/164 Terence Donovan photograph

Oversized colour photograph of dancers; on the reverse is a sticker with the name Terence Donovan printed on it, [3 copies] [n.d.]

OPEN

SPENCER/165 Framed photographic collage

Oversized (62.5 x 60 cm) framed collection of 22 black-and-white copies of photographs of Peggy Spencer, Frank Spencer and some of their dance students and the celebrities they were photographed with, including Joe Loss, Terry Wogan, Brian Johnston, Harry Worth and Esther Williams. Created by Helena Spencer Anderson in 2018, [1950s-1970s]

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SPENCER/166 Artwork and ephemera

Paintings and drawings created by Peggy Spencer while attending art classes taught by her daughter Helena Anderson; Spencer's Blue Peter badge, MBE woven fabric belt/sash and other memorabilia, [n.d.]

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SPENCER/167 Framed and oversized drawings

Drawings in pastels and chalk created by Peggy Spencer while attending art classes taught by her daughter Helena Anderson. Also framed photograph of the race-horse named for Spencer, [n.d.]

OPEN

SPENCER/168 Condolence cards and obituaries

Condolence cards and contemporary obituaries at the time of Peggy Spencer's death, [2016]

OPEN

SPENCER/169 Correspondence

Peggy Spencer's correspondence with family and friends: print-outs of emails and emailed photographs, [2008-2014]

OPEN

SPENCER/170 Press clippings and mementos

Press cuttings, photographs and written
biographical and autobiographical material.
Includes tributes at the time of Frank
Spencer's death, and souvenir programme for
the live tour of Strictly Come Dancing 2011,
[1988-2011]

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