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Interview with Roxy Byrne [sound recording]

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Finding Aid Biographical outline (3 pages)

Details

45 minutes??Roxy Byrne was born in 1913. Her father Roy Sims was the first government dentist. In 1920 the family moved to the house on the corner of Hutt Street and South Terrace. She attended Gillies Street Primary School and St John's Church day school. From 1922 to 1929 she attended the Methodist Ladies College and acted in various plays. Dame Nellie Melba sang in 1927. 1930-1933 she attended Adelaide University and after graduation she joined the Adelaide Repertory Theatre. In 1950 the Repertory Theatre participated in a competition to celebrate fifty years of Federation. She met various celebrities including Robert Helpmann, Katherine Hepburn and Margaret Rutherford. She married Dr Dudley Byrne in 1940. He joined the AIF and was invalided out of Tobruk in 1944. Son John born in 1945. Various overseas visits. Cricket was a family passion and Bradman a hero. Participation in the Lyceum Club.

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