

# Nova Scotia Archives

## Finding Aid - Carrie Best fonds (2011-031)

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## Summary information

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**Repository:** Nova Scotia Archives  
**Title:** Carrie Best fonds  
**ID:** 2011-031  
**Date:** [after 1952]-[197-?] (date of creation)

**Physical description:** 9 audio reels

**Dates of creation,  
revision and deletion:**

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Carrie Mae Prevoe was born in New Glasgow, Nova Scotia, on 4 March 1903, the daughter of James and Georgina (Ashe) Prevoe. She married Albert Theophilus Best on 24 June 1925. She was a journalist and in 1946 founded *The Clarion*, the first Black-owned and published Nova Scotia newspaper which operated until 1956. In 1952 she started a radio show, *The Quiet Corner*, which aired for 12 years. From 1968 to 1975 she was a columnist for *The Pictou Advocate* newspaper. She received the first Lloyd McInnes Memorial Award in 1970. After her husband's death, she donated five hectares of her land to create a park named after him. The Albert T. Best Park in New Glasgow, carefully planned to be safe for children and seniors, was opened on 21 August 1972. She was made a Member of the Order of Canada in 1974 and promoted to Officer in 1979. In 1977 she published her auto-biography, *That Lonesome Road*. She also received honorary degrees from both the University of King's College and St. Francis Xavier University in 1975. She died on 24 July 2001. She was posthumously awarded the Order of Nova Scotia in 2002.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of audio tapes that include segments from Carrie Best's radio shows as well as interviews with her about her work. The contents of the fonds document her broadcasting career and record information about her life and her views on racism in Nova Scotia.

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by Berma Marshall in 2011.

### Finding aids

"Item list available.":<https://novascotia.ca/archives/lists/carrie-best-fonds.pdf>

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published

## Series descriptions

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
2011-031 Ar 9855	<p>Item - Discussion with Carrie Best about her activism on the radio show AMChronicle / interviewed by unidentified Brian</p> <p><u>Note:</u></p> <p>Only fair quality but good content</p>			