

# Jiran Music Store

## Chicago & Berwyn, Illinois

- 1897 Joseph Jiran (1869-1957) arrives in Baltimore August 20<sup>th</sup> from Bohemia; possibly starts working for Lyon & Healy in Chicago and is said to have been apprenticed to a brass instrument maker in Romania previous to this
- 1898 established music store in Chicago, #459 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St.
- 1899 marries Julie Nosek (1869-1910) in Chicago
- 1900 musical inst. maker, h. at #521 S. Lincoln St. (census)
- 1902 musical instruments, #459 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St. (directory)
- 1906 Joseph encouraged Bohumir Kryl to start his own band; he is naturalized in September, #459 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St.
- 1910 music store owner, #1333 18<sup>th</sup> St., widowed (census); releases record label "Favorite"
- 1911 Joseph Jiran, musical inst., #1333 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St.; son Charles J. Jiran (1894-1989), musician, #4217 W. 26<sup>th</sup> St. (dir.)
- 1917 Charles is assistant manager of music store, #1333 W. 18<sup>th</sup>, he was born in 1894 in Prague (draft record)
- 1918 Jiran is selling Victrolas at his store (ad)
- 1920 Joseph visits Germany & Czechoslovakia on business (passport photo top right); around this time he is selling Pan American instruments with his stencil (photos 2 & 3)
- 1925 Jiran is a Conn dealer
- 1930 Joseph, music store owner, #1333 W. 18<sup>th</sup> St.; Charles is music sales manager, #2100 Elmwood Ave., Berwyn (census), by this time opened a second store in Berwyn
- 1940 Joseph still at #1333 W. 18<sup>th</sup>; Charles is the owner of the music store in Berwyn (census)
- 1942 Berwyn store is at #6209 W. Cermak Rd. (draft record)
- 1956 Jiran Music Store, #6209 W. Cermak Rd. (ad)
- 1957 Joseph dies Feb. 7<sup>th</sup>; listed as store owner, #1333 W. 18<sup>th</sup>; Robert Kadlec is manager of the Berwyn store
- 1959 Jiran Music Store, Berwyn, Illinois (ad)
- 1975 Charles living at #536 S. Brainard St., LaGrange Park
- 1989 Charles dies in LaGrange; music store owner

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