

Cincinnati Symphony Orchestra

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Betty Glover joined the CSO in 1952, becoming the first female bass trombonist in a U.S. ["major" RAC] orchestra.

After previously serving as a substitute, Glover earned a permanent spot in the Orchestra during the 1952 May Festival when she was called on to be the emergency replacement for a bass trombone player who had fallen severely ill. With the intermission stretched to allow time for Glover to arrive, she, without warm-up, sightread the second half of the concert. Shortly afterward, Music Director Thor Johnson appointed Glover the bass trombonist, a position she held for 32 years.

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