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Photograph of Clara Schumann by Franz Hanfstaengl 1857 Guest blog by Edison Fellow Yanran Li I was fortunate to obtain a fellowship at the British Library last fall. As a pianist, given my interest in Robert Schumann, I was delighted to be able to take advantage of the many unusual...

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Guest blog by Rosa Kurowska Kyffin, interviewer for National Life Stories. Akyaaba Addai-Sebo standing in front of the King's Library at the British Library, St Pancras. Earlier this summer the British Library recorded a life story interview with Akyaaba Addai-Sebo for the National Life Stories oral history collection Leaders of...

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