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Louise Durbin Papers

Collection Summary

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Restrictions

None

Content Note

The Louise Durbin Papers contain examples of her writings and correspondence related to her writings and hobbies. The materials span the 1970s.

Biography

Louise Durbin worked as a free-lance writer based out of Washington, D.C. in the 1970s. She held a position as a staff writer for the Washington Post, which she left in order to work as public relations director for the Corcoran Museum. She eventually pursued writing full time, writing for magazines, radio programs, and television documentaries, as well as writing two books, Inaugural Cavalcade and White House Brides. She grew up in Wichita, Kansas, and was graduated from Colorado College in 1945. Ms. Durbin died May 12, 1997.

Detailed Description: Series Listing

Series 1	Box 1	Writings. This series includes published and photocopied articles written by Durbin, radio and television scripts written by Louise Durbin, Durbin's research notebooks, and research packets for upcoming articles.
Series 2	Box 2	Correspondence. The files in this series contain correspondence, both sent and received, by Louise Durbin. The letters discuss her writings, her property, and her hobbies. The correspondence spans the 1970s.

Detailed Description: Box and Folder Listing

Series 1 – Writings

Box 1	FF 1	Articles: Articles written by Louise Durbin including "The Civil Service Has a New Young Image" (original and photocopy) from <i>The Washington Post</i> Sunday, November 3, 1968; "Making a Federal Case Out of a B. A." (original) from <i>Mademoiselle</i> June 1968; "Mesa Verde National Park, Colorado" (typed copy); "She'll Fill Cavity as Teacher" (original and photocopy) from <i>The Washington Post</i> , Tuesday, August 4, 1964; "Wendell Garrett" manuscript notes and typed copy of article about Garrett.
Box 1	FF 2	Radio: Scripts written for radio include "The Living Earth #138" and "The Living Earth # 147," 1967; purchase orders for radio scripts, 1970s.
Box 1	FF 3	Television: Scripts written for television include "The American Documents: Inaugural Souvenir" 1973; "The building of The Capitol" 1974; "American Cooker" date unknown.
Box 1	FF 4	Notebooks: Includes (3) notebooks with manuscript research notes and ideas.
Box 1	FF 5	Notebooks: Includes (3) notebooks with manuscript research notes and ideas.
Box 1	FF 6	Notebooks: Includes (4) notebooks with manuscript research notes and ideas.
Box 1	FF 7	Notebooks: Includes (3) notebooks with manuscript research notes and ideas.
Box 1	FF 8	Research Packets: Elias Demetrapoulous: Includes photocopied articles on Demetrapoulous and his role in Greek politics. 1970s.
Box 1	FF 9	Research Packet: Fritz Scholder: Includes notes, photographs, correspondence and other materials about Native American artist Fritz Scholder. 1970s.
Box 1	FF 10	Writers Guild: Code of Working Rules (1968) and Constitution and By-Laws of The Writers Guild (1976).

Series 2 – Correspondence

Box 2	FF 1	Corcoran Museum: Durbin worked here as Public Relations Director. The correspondence relates to museum activities and events. Also includes program for the Navy Ball held at the Corcoran museum and newsletters from the Corcoran museum. 1971-72.
Box 2	FF 2	Housing: Correspondence regarding Durbin's condominium in Washington D.C. and her home at 333 North Clifton in Wichita, Kansas. 1972.
Box 2	FF 3	Land: Correspondence regarding right of ways for petroleum drilling on lands in Barton and Hamilton counties, Kansas. 1970s.
Box 2	FF 4	Writings: Correspondence regarding The writings of Louise Durbin including her book <i>Inaugural Cavalcade</i> and <i>Hail to The Chief</i> . The folder also includes contracts and marketing of books. 1970s.
Box 2	FF 5	Miscellaneous: Correspondence regarding Durbin's hobby of collecting silver and Native America art. 1960s and 1970s.

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