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## Descriptive Summary

### Unit ID

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### Unit Date

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### Language

The materials in the collection are in English.

### Abstract

The Elizabeth D. Guthrie Papers on the VPI Glee Club consists of material relating to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Glee Club from the years 1940-1946. The collection contains administrative files, the "Blackout" program script, sheet music, including the original version of "Moonlight and VPI," and group photographs.

### Creator

Guthrie, Elizabeth D.

### Creator

Virginia Polytechnic Institute Glee Club

**Extent**

0.2 Cubic Feet 1 box

**Repository**

Special Collections and University Archives, Virginia Tech

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## Biographical Note

Elizabeth D. Guthrie (1910-2005) served as the director of the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Glee Club from at least 1940 to 1943 (her records and account end suddenly in 1943, the time in which the VPI cadets left to serve in WWII). According to Guthrie's account, after the previous VPI glee club had disbanded, two cadets approached Guthrie in the fall of 1940 to inquire whether she might be interested in directing a new Glee Club. The club met in War Memorial Hall, and Guthrie volunteered as director for the first year, since the club had no funds.

## Scope and Content

The collection consists of material relating to the Virginia Polytechnic Institute Glee Club from the years 1940-1946. The collection contains administrative files, the "Blackout" program script, sheet music, including the original version of "Moonlight and VPI," and group photographs. The administrative files contain annual reports, concert programs, and correspondence to and from Elizabeth D. Guthrie, Glee Club Director. The administrative files also include a brief history of the VPI Glee Club, and Guthrie's role within it. Some of the material contains handwritten explanatory notes added by Guthrie.

## Keywords

Faculty and staff

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## Arrangement

The collection is arranged by material type.

## Description of Subordinate Components

### **Glee Club Administrative Files**

**Unit Date** 1940-1943, 1988

**box-folder** 1 (box)

**Container** 1 (folder)

### **Original Sheet Music and Photographs**

**Unit Date** 1941-1946

**box-folder** 1 (box)

**Container** 2 (folder)

### **"Blackout" Script**

**Unit Date** 1941

**box-folder** 1 (box)

**Container** 3 (folder)