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Abstract

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Creator

Kuratorium Unteilbares Deutschland

Extent

5.5 Linear Feet 11 boxes

Repository

George Mason University. Libraries. Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no access restrictions.

Use Restrictions

The copyright and related rights status of this collection have not been evaluated (See <http://rightsstatements.org/vocab/CNE/1.0/>)

Acquisition Information

Purchased from Thomas Hill in 2009.

Processing Information

Processed by Jordan Patty in 2010. EAD markup completed by Eron Ackerman and Jordan Patty in 2010.

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Historical Information

The KUD was organized on a national, state, and local level and cooperated with all institutions concerned with the "German Question": schools, universities, unions, industry, youth organizations, and the media in Germany and internationally. It functioned as an above party lines platform to discuss perspectives of reunification and to organize various campaigns to express the collective desire for unification. Leading members included important ministers of successive governments from all of the main political parties. The work of the KUD focused particularly on Berlin because the organization wanted the West German capital to move from Bonn to Berlin in order to more directly confront the Soviet sphere of influence. The KUD's influence diminished with the advent of Willy Brandt's Ostpolitik in which the two-state status quo was accepted as a fact and basis for a policy of detente in the late 1960s. In 1991 the KUD ceased to exist.

Scope and Content

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Some of the most spectacular and dramatic images are found in the first three boxes that contain photographs of the Wall's construction and subsequent events that took place during the time of the Cuban missile crisis. Approximately half of the photographs are from professional news agencies, including the Associated Press, the Deutsche Presse-Agentur, Aktueller Bilderdienst, and Telegraf/Bankhardt. The KUD members are responsible for the most of the remaining photographs that document their various activities and events. Each subject category represents a textbook illustration of the existence and activities of this

important organization from the late 1950s through the early 1960s.

Related Material

The Special Collections Research Center also holds a large collection of posters that document the history of East Germany from the 1940s through the first elections in the 1990s.

Keywords

Portraits

Protest movements

Photographic prints

Berlin Wall, Berlin, Germany, 1961-1989

Berlin (Germany : West)

Berlin (Germany : East)

Photographs

Lübke, Heinrich, 1894-1972

Mende, Erich, 1916-

Schütz, Wilhelm Wolfgang, 1911-

Wehner, Herbert, 1906-1990

Adenauer, Konrad, 1876-1967

Brandt, Willy, 1913-1992

Löbe, Paul, 1875-1967

Custodial History

Shortly after the KUD ceased to exist in 1991, Thomas Hill acquired the photograph archives from a former KUD member.

Arrangement

Organized by subject.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series 1: KUD Photograph Archive

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60295

Unit Date 1959-1964

Scope and Contents note

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Dramatic Crossection

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60296

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 1-6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

200 photographs

Dramatic Crossection

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60297

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 1-3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

200 photographs

Building of the Wall

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60298

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 2 (box)

Container 4-6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

100 photographs

Building of the Wall

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60299

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 3 (box)

Container 1-2 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

83 photographs

Refugees and Escapes

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60300

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 3 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

55 photographs

East Germany Views and Daily Life

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60301

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 3 (box)

Container 4-6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

134 photographs

Dresden

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60302

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 4 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

51 photographs

Campaign: "Youth Speaks for Germany,"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60303

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 4 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

16 photographs

Campaign: "Children's Airlift,"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60304

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 4 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

6 photographs

Campaign: "Open the Gate" (The Brandenburg Gate)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60305

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 4 (box)

Container 4-5 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

111 photographs

Konrad Adenauer (German Chancellor)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60306

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 4 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

44 photographs

Willy Brandt (Mayor of Berlin, German Chancellor)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60307

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 4 (box)

Container 7-8 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

98 photographs

Heinrich Lubke (German President)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60308

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 5 (box)

Container 1-2 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

116 photographs

Herbert Wehner (leading Social Democrat (SPD) and member of the Kuratorium)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60309

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 5 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

25 photographs

Erich Mende (leading Liberal Democrat (FDP) and member of the Kuratorium)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60310

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 5 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

30 photographs

Visiting Heads of State

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60311

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 5 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

49 photographs

Diverse Portraits

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60312

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 5 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

48 photographs

Public Rallies

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60313

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 5 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

79 photographs

Public Rallies

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60314

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 6 (box)

Container 1-4 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

200 photographs

Wall Memorials

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60315

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 6 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

23 photographs

Memorials and Monuments

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60316

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 6 (box)

Container 6-7 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

105 photographs

Exhibitions on the Division

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60317

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 6 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

50 photographs

Exhibitions on the Division

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60318

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 7 (box)

Container 1-3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

173 photographs

Art Against the Division

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60319

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 7 (box)

Container 4-6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

179 photographs

Various Campaigns of the Kuratorium

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60320

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 8 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

85 photographs

Campaign: "Christmas Trees for Berlin,"

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60321

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 8 (box)

Container 2-6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

268 photographs

Various Personalities

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60322

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 9 (box)

Container 1-5 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

400 photographs

Paul Lobe (first President of the Kuratorium)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60323

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 9 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

29 photographs

W. W. Schutz (second President of the Kuratorium, since 1967)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60324

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 10 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

57 photographs

Conferences and Conventions

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60325

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 10 (box)

Container 2-3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

181 photographs

Berlin

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60326

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 10 (box)

Container 4-6 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

185 photographs

Factories and Production (in East Germany?)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60327

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 11 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

40 photographs

West Germany Views and Landscapes

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60328

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 11 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

42 photographs

Pommern - Buildings and People

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60329

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 11 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

31 photographs

Clippings, Ephemera, and Other Images

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60330

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 11 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Scope and Contents note**"It Happened at the Wall,"**

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/60331

Unit Date 1959-1964

Mixed Materials 11 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Scope and Contents note

book