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Abstract

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Creator

Baugher, Dorothy Lee, 1917-2009

Extent

0.50 cubic feet 2 boxes

Repository

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Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

Donated to Special Collections in July 2009.

Processing Information

All newspaper clippings were photocopied onto non-acidic paper and the originals were disposed. In order to streamline the process of applying collection numbers, Special Collections staff completed a large-scale renumbering campaign in the spring of 2017. **This collection was previously cataloged as SC 3017.**

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Bio/Historical Note

Dorothy Lee Baugher (1917-2009) graduated from Madison College in 1939. While a student, she served as a member of the art staff for the Schoolma'am yearbook. A McGaheysville native, Baugher taught art and English at Turner Ashby High School and in 1975 became the editor for the "Footprints and Echoes" column for the Bicentennial at the *Daily News-Record*. Baugher's interests included art, pottery, writing fiction and non-fiction, and poetry.

Scope and Content

The Dorothy Lee Baugher Papers, 1936-2003 (bulk 1975-1981), are arranged in five series and consist of two boxes of newspaper clippings, poetry, fiction and non-fiction writings, and drawings produced by Baugher. The collection also includes miscellaneous materials including correspondence, receipts, programs, and notes.

Series 1, Daily News-Record Materials, 1975-1981, is comprised of newspaper clippings written by Baugher on subjects pertaining to the United States Bicentennial (1976) as well as the city of Harrisonburg's Bicentennial (1980) in the "Footprints and Echoes" column of the *Daily News-Record*. Topics range from Revolutionary War efforts in the Valley, women's roles in the Revolution, and general daily life in the late eighteenth century. The series includes some of Baugher's typed drafts as well as her drawings, many of which were sketched on the backs of cereal and food boxes. The sketches were published alongside her articles in the *Daily News-Record*. An index of these writings is available [here](#).

Series 2, Non-Fiction, undated, includes a variety of short stories and essays of historical and religious content. Baugher's writings reference Patrick Henry, Stonewall Jackson, Pendleton Bryan, and the Methodist Church. The non-fiction works also include narrative Bible stories about Christmas, Zachariah and Elizabeth,

and Thomas the Apostle or Didymus.

Series 3, Fiction, 2002-2003, is comprised of notes, drafts, manuscripts, and short stories. Included in this series is a children's story entitled "Corky" about a pig which was also illustrated by Baugher. Written under the pseudonym Dorothy Lee Desailles, "The Reluctant Heart" is Baugher's most extensive work. This unpublished full-length manuscript is set dually in the Caribbean and the United States with religious connotations, a variety of characters, a love-angle, and mystery. Numerous drafts of "The Reluctant Heart" are retained. Fictitious short stories, notes, and resource material for potential works or works in progress are also present.

Series 4, Poetry, 1986-1998, is a collection of handwritten and typed poems written by Baugher. Much of the poetry has religious themes with references to God and Bible verses. Notes on potential publishing companies are also present.

Series 5, Miscellany, 1936-2003, consists of various church and community programs, correspondence, notes, and other ephemera. Specific materials include J.C. Penney employee's sales receipts, the Turner Ashby Class of 1961 "Progress Report" (1981 ed.) in which class members describe their lives and families twenty years after graduating, and a Daily News-Record article and Op-Ed piece recognizing Baugher for her work in the community.

Keywords

Authors, American -- Virginia

Poets, American -- Virginia

Journalists -- Virginia

Daily News-Record (Harrisonburg, Va.)

Poetry

Works of art

Drawings (visual works)

Fiction (general genre)

Nonfiction (general genre)

Newspaper clippings

Bibliography

Obituary for Dorothy L. Baugher, *Daily News-Record*, August 15, 2009. *The Schoolma'am*, 1939. Harrisonburg (Va.): Madison College.

Provenance

Purchased by a private donor at Bowman Auctions (S. High St., Harrisonburg) in November 2008.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in five series:

- *Daily News-Record* Materials, 1975-1981
- Non-Fiction, undated
- Fiction, 2002-2003
- Poetry, 1986-1998
- Miscellany, 1936-2003

Description of Subordinate Components

Daily News-Record Materials

Unit ID 1

Unit Date 1975-1981

Manuscripts

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 1 (folder)

Newspaper clippings

Unit Date June 1975-December 1979
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 2 (folder)

Newspaper Clippings

Unit Date January 1980-1981, undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 3 (folder)

Original artwork

Unit Date 1977-1981, undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 4 (folder)

Non-Fiction

Unit ID 2
Unit Date undated

"Windows Into the Past"

Unit Date undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 5 (folder)

Short Stories - historical

Unit Date undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 6 (folder)

Short Stories - religious

Unit Date undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 7 (folder)

Fiction

Unit ID 3
Unit Date 2002-2003

"Corky"

Unit Date undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 8 (folder)

"The Reluctant Heart" notes

Unit Date undated
Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)
Container 9 (folder)

"The Reluctant Heart" Draft A

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 10 (folder)

"The Reluctant Heart" Draft B

Unit Date 2002

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 11 (folder)

"The Reluctant Heart" correspondence

Unit Date 2002-2003

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 12 (folder)

Short Stories, "The Risk Taker"

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 13 (folder)

Short Stories, "The Time of Your Life"

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 14 (folder)

Short Stories, other

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 15 (folder)

Works in Progress, notes on 1820s novel

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 16 (folder)

Works in Progress, notes on "A New Song"

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 17 (folder)

Works in Progress, notes on untitled novel

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 18 (folder)

Works in Progress, resource material

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 19 (folder)

Works in Progress, ideas for Writing

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 20 (folder)

Works in Progress, miscellaneous notes

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886571] 1 (box)

Container 21 (folder)

Poetry

Unit ID 4

Unit Date 1986-1998

Notes

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials [1000886572] 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Handwritten notes

Unit Date 1986-1998, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886572] 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Typed notes

Unit Date 1986-1987, undated

Mixed Materials [1000886572] 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Miscellany

Unit ID 5

Unit Date 1936-2003

Miscellany

Unit Date 1936-2003

Mixed Materials [1000886572] 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)