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Unit ID

M 579

Unit ID

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Unit Date

1920-2022

Mixed Materials [A11424376531]

1 (box)

Mixed Materials [A11424387558]

2 (box)

Mixed Materials [A11424387574]

3 (box)

Language

English

source

Mangum, Bryant, 1943-

Creator

Mangum, Bryant, 1943-

Extent

1.71 Linear Feet 1 letter document box, 1 half-size letter document box, and a flat file box. Collection includes magazines, correspondence, and photocopies.

Repository

VCU James Branch Cabell Library

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

This collection is open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

There are no restrictions.

Acquisition Information

Gift of Bryant Mangum, 2024.

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Bryant Mangum American literature collection, 1920-2022, Collection # M 579, Special Collections and Archives, James Branch Cabell Library, Virginia Commonwealth University, Richmond, VA.

Biographical information - Bryant Mangum

Bryant Mangum is an Emeritus Professor of English at Virginia Commonwealth University (VCU). He earned his B.A. in English in 1965 from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and his Ph.D. in 1975 from the University of South Carolina. Mangum started his teaching career in 1967 at Moultrie High School in Charleston, South Carolina. In 1971, while completing his Ph.D, Mangum started teaching at VCU for the English department. He mainly taught graduate and undergraduate seminars on contemporary and early 20th century American literature, focusing on the New Yorker magazine and authors like F. Scott Fitzgerald, Ernest Hemingway, and J.D. Salinger.

Mangum was a prominent F. Scott Fitzgerald scholar, publishing extensively and presenting nationally and internationally on his work. He is the author of *Understanding Alice Adams* and *A Fortune Yet: Money in the Art of F. Scott Fitzgerald's Short Stories* and was the editor of *F. Scott Fitzgerald in Context* and *Best Early Short Stories of F. Scott Fitzgerald*.

While at VCU, Mangum received a VCU Distinguished Teaching Award (1984), a Virginia State Council of Higher Education Outstanding Faculty Award (1989), a VCU Board of Visitors Teaching Fellowship (1999-2001), and the Elske v.P. Smith Distinguished Lecturer Award (2009), among other honors. Mangum was promoted to Professor in 1993 and retired from VCU in 2022 after a 50-year teaching career.

Content Description

The Bryant Mangum American literature collection contains materials related to Bryant Mangum's scholarship on Alice Adams, F. Scott Fitzgerald, and Irwin Shaw, as well as early published works by Alice Adams and F. Scott Fitzgerald in magazines.

This collection includes copies of Mangum's book chapters, journal articles, book reviews, fiction, and nonfiction, that he had bound into books. Related to Alice Adams, there is a typescript of her unpublished novel *The Impersonators*, unpublished poems, copies of her work that were published in magazines but uncollected in volumes, and a bibliography of her book reviews that was gathered by Mangum. The collection also contains correspondence from Alice Adams to Bryant Mangum. Mangum's side of the correspondence is held in the Alice Adams papers at the Harry Ransom Center, University of Texas at Austin. The collection contains drafts of headnotes and endnotes for *Best Early Stories of F. Scott Fitzgerald* (edited by Bryant Mangum) and magazines containing early or first printings of Fitzgerald's work. Additionally, the collection contains two versions of Irwin Shaw's "The Girls in Their Summer Dresses," a pre-print of Mangum's analysis, and ephemera related to a lecture he gave on the topic.

The bulk of the collection consists of photocopies, with the exception of correspondence from Alice Adams to Bryant Mangum and whole issues of magazines containing work by F. Scott Fitzgerald and Alice Adams. The names of these works are recorded in the item-level descriptions.

Related Materials

This donation also included numerous published works, such as first editions by F. Scott Fitzgerald and Alice

Adams. These books are also available in Special Collections and Archives and can be found by searching "Bryant Mangum collection" in the library catalog.

Keywords

American literature -- 20th century -- History and criticism

Authors, American -- Manuscripts

manuscripts (documents)

Correspondence

Periodicals

Mangum, Bryant, 1943-

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Adams, Alice, 1926-1999 -- Criticism and interpretation

Fitzgerald, F. Scott (Francis Scott), 1896-1940 -- Criticism and interpretation

Shaw, Irwin, 1913-1984 -- Criticism and interpretation

Arrangement

The bulk of the collection is arranged alphabetically by folder title. The magazines are arranged chronologically by publication date.

Description of Subordinate Components

Adams, Alice - Correspondence

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78754

Unit Date 1983-1988

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Adams, Alice - The Impersonators (unpublished novel)

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78755

Unit Date circa 1947

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Adams, Alice - Published uncollected stories

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78756

Unit Date 1967-1999

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Adams, Alice - Reviews bibliographies

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78757

Unit Date circa 2000

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Adams, Alice - Unpublished poems

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78758

Unit Date circa 1930s-1980s

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 5 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - "Altering the Dresses: The Two Versions of Irwin Shaw's 'The Girls in their Summer Dresses.'"

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78759

Unit Date 1939 and 2010

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 6 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - Best Early Stories of F. Scott Fitzgerald headnotes, etc.

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78760

Unit Date circa 2005

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 7 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - Book chapters

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78761

Unit Date 1982-2022

Mixed Materials [A11424376531] 1 (box)

Container 8 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - Journal articles

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78762

Unit Date 1989-2022

Mixed Materials [A11424387558] 2 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - Notes, reviews, nonfiction, and fiction

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78763

Unit Date 1970-2013

Mixed Materials [A11424387558] 2 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - Understanding Alice Adams (typescript with notes)

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78764

Unit Date circa 2019

Mixed Materials [A11424387558] 2 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Mangum, Bryant - Understanding Alice Adams (typescript with notes)

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78765

Unit Date circa 2019

Mixed Materials [A11424387558] 2 (box)

Container 4 (folder)

Metropolitan

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78769

Unit Date October 1920

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 4 (Item)

Scope and Contents

Contains the short story "The Jelly-Bean" by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

The American Magazine

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78766

Unit Date September 1922

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 1 (item)

Scope and Contents

Contains "What I Think and Feel at 25" by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

The Famous Story Magazine

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78767

Unit Date April 1926

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 2 (item)

Scope and Contents

Contains a portion of "The Great Gatsby" by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Woman's Home Companion

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78768

Unit Date May 1927

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 3 (Item)

Scope and Contents

Contains "Your Way and Mine" by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Esquire

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78770

Unit Date June 1936

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 5 (Item)

Scope and Contents

Contains "The Ants at Princeton" by F. Scott Fitzgerald.

Redbook

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78771

Unit Date February 1970

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 6 (item)

Scope and Contents

Contains "A Propitiation of Witches" by Alice Adams.

The Atlantic

Unit ID /repositories/5/archival_objects/78772

Unit Date April 1973

Mixed Materials [A11424387574] 3 (box)

Container 7 (item)

Scope and Contents

Contains "Alternatives," a story by Alice Adams.