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Abstract

Papers of actor and comedian Don Knotts. The original accession includes typescripts, photographs, artifacts, and sound recordings related to his career. Highlights include five motion picture scripts (1966-1976), two television scripts (1969, undated), a poem (undated), partial typescripts of Knotts' autobiography (undated), five plaques (1961-1998), working audio cassette recordings of his autobiography (undated; 18 items), and a framed "Distinguished West Virginian" certificate (26 March 1982). The addendum of 2012/08/06 includes typescripts, manuscripts, printed material, photographs, sound recordings, ephemera, artifacts, and clippings related to Knotts' career. Highlights include manuscript comedy routine notes (undated); published and unpublished scripts (1956-2000 and undated), many of which are annotated (probably by Knotts); and Andy Griffith Show trading cards (1990). See Scope and Content Note for more details.

Creator

Yarborough, Francey

Extent

4.4 Linear Feet 4 ft. 5 in. (4 document cases, 5 in. each); (4 document cases, 2 1/2 in. each); (1 small flat storage box, 3 in.); (1 large flat storage box, 4 in.); (2 index card boxes, 8 in. each)

Extent

3.36 Gigabytes 4 files, formats include .mp4, .iso, .cue, and .md5

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Scope and Contents

This collection contains the papers of actor and comedian Don Knotts.

Original accession of 2007/03/05 includes typescripts, photographs, artifacts, and sound recordings related to his career (Boxes 1-7)

Addendum of 2012/08/06 includes typescripts, manuscripts, printed material, photographs, sound recordings, ephemera, artifacts, and clippings related to Don Knotts' career. (Box 8-12)

Separated Materials

Separated to closed collections:

a gold, five year anniversary watch with an inscription.

Keywords

Knotts, Don, 1924-2006

Description of Subordinate Components

Original Accession of 2007 March 05, Boxes 1-7

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182065

Unit Date undated and 26 March 1982

Scope and Contents

Includes typescripts, photographs, artifacts, and sound recordings related to Knotts' career.

Film Scripts

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182052

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Scope and Contents

Film scripts for:

"The Reluctant Astronaut" "The Shakiest Gun in the West" "The Love God" "How to Frame a Figg" "Herbie Goes to Monte Carlo"

Television Scripts

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182053

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Scope and Contents

Television scripts for Don Knotts Television (TV) show and a Hallmark Hall of Fame special titled "The Man Who Came to Dinner." Also included are typescripts from Knotts' autobiography title "Barney Fife and Other Characters I Have Known," a poem written by Knotts titled "The Man," and photographs of Knotts.

Plaques Given to Knotts

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Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Plaques Given to Knotts

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Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 4 (Box)

Sound Recordings of Knotts' Autobiography

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182056

Unit Date undated

Mixed Materials 5 (Box)

Mixed Materials 6 (Box)

Scope and Contents

Contains cassette tapes, which include recordings of his biography.

Plaque and Knotts' Framed "Distinguished West Virginian" Certificate

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182058

Unit Date 1982 March 26

Mixed Materials 7 (Box)

Addendum of 2012 August 06, Boxes 8-12

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182059

Unit Date undated and 1956-2006

Typescripts and Manuscripts of Biographical Information, Comedy Routines and Jokes, and a Poem by Knotts

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID [Previous Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182060

Unit Date undated, 1956-1997

Mixed Materials 8 (Box)

Scope and Contents

Also included are publications referencing Knotts (ca. 1963-1992), theatre programs which include Knotts (1969-2003), and published scripts (1956-1997), many of which are annotated (probably by Knotts).

Additional Annotated Published Scripts

Unit ID [Archival Resource Key](#)

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182061

Unit Date 1970

Mixed Materials 9 (Box)

Typescripts of Unpublished Scripts, Some of Which Are Annotated (Probably by Knotts)

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182062

Unit Date 1973-2000 and undated

Mixed Materials 10 (Box)

Miscellaneous Items and Sound Recordings

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182063

Unit Date ca. 2005-2006

Mixed Materials 11 (Box)

Scope and Contents

Highlights include Knotts' Screen Actor Guild membership card (ca. 2005), a Morgantown High School Reunion program (2006), and a commercial DVD titled Red Skelton: America's Clown Prince.

Andy Griffith Show Trading Cards (1990), and a Memorial Scrapbook of Photos of Knotts and Newspaper Clippings about Knotts after His Death

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Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/182064

Unit Date 1990 and undated

Mixed Materials 12 (Box)