

Kay Dick:

An Inventory of Her Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

- Creator:** Dick, Kay, 1915-2001
- Title:** Kay Dick Collection
- Dates:** 1943-1966, undated
- Extent:** 7 boxes (2.94 linear feet)
- Abstract:** Includes chiefly manuscripts and letters received by the English editor and novelist Kay Dick. Manuscripts for *An Affair of Love* (1953), *By the Lake* (1949), *Pierrot: An Investigation into the Commedia dell arte* (1960), *Solitaire* (1958), *Sunday* (1962), and *Young Man* (1951) are present, along with correspondence from Elizabeth Bowen, Roy Campbell, Rhys Davies, Lord Dunsany, Lawrence Durrell, Rosamond Lehmann, George Orwell, Anthony Powell, Paul Scott, Rebecca West, and many others.
- Call Number:** Manuscript Collection MS-1156
- Language:** English
- Access:** Open for research. Researchers must create an online Research Account and agree to the Materials Use Policy before using archival materials. **Part or all of this collection is housed off-site and may require up to three business days' notice for access in the Ransom Center's Reading and Viewing Room. Please contact the Center before requesting this material: reference@hrc.utexas.edu**
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Administrative Information

- Processed by:** Joan Sibley and Apryl Voskamp, 2014 **Note:** This finding aid replicates and replaces information previously available only in a card catalog. Please see the explanatory note at the end of this finding aid for information regarding the arrangement of the manuscripts as well as the abbreviations commonly used in descriptions.
- Repository:** [Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin](#)

Works:

An affair of love, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 296 pages bound in 3 notebooks, undated. **Container** 1.2

By the lake, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 499 pages bound in 6 notebooks, 1945. Signed with pseudonym Edward Lane. **Container** 1.3-4

By the lake: note on its composition and publication, signed typescript, 1 page, 12 January 1964. **Container** 1.1

Pierrot: An investigation into the commedia dell arte:

Signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 503 pages bound in 5 notebooks, 1959-1960. **Container** 2.1-3

Typed and carbon copy manuscript with handwritten revisions and typed inserts, 368 pages, undated. **Container** 2.4-5

Typescript / printer's copy with handwritten printer's marks, 363 pages, 1960. Includes some layout and proof pages. **Container** 3.1-2

Proof copy with handwritten corrections, 210 pages, 1960. Included with this: proof of illustrations; hard cover; book jacket. **Container** 3.3

Solitaire, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 268 pages bound in 3 notebooks, 1955. **Container** 3.4

Sunday:

Signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, 471 pages bound in 5 notebooks, 1961. **Container** 4.1-2

Typescript with handwritten revisions, 349 pages, undated. **Container** 4.3-4

Carbon typescript with handwritten revisions and typed inserts, 418 pages, undated. **Container** 5.1-2

Proof copy with handwritten corrections, 224 pages, 1961. **Container** 5.3

Young man / titled The decimal days, signed handwritten manuscript with revisions, approximately 650 pages bound in 11 notebooks, 1948. Includes discarded versions. **Container** 5.4-6.2

Letters:

2 ALS, 8 TLS to Cranfill, Thomas Mabry, 1960-1962.

Container 6.3

Recipient:

Agate, James Evershed, 1877-1947. ALS, 5 TLS to Dick, Kay, 1946-1947.

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6.4

Berkeley, Lennox, 1903- . ALS to Dick, Kay, 4 March 1945.

Berners, Gerald Hugh Tyrwhitt-Wilson, Baron, 1883-1950. 6 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1946, undated.

Bowen, Elizabeth, 1899-1973. TLS to Dick, Kay, 10 March 1953. Included with this: Broadcast by Kay Dick on Elizabeth Bowen, carbon typescript, 8 pages.

Buhler, Robert Edward. 5 ALS, 2 APCS to Dick, Kay, 1944-1946, undated.

Campbell, Roy, 1901-1957. 3 ALS, 3 APCS to Dick, Kay, undated.

Carswell, Catherine MacFarlane, 1879-1946. 3 ALS, TLS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1946. Included with these: TLS Carswell to Mr. Moore.

Cary, Joyce, 1888-1957. 2 ALS, TLS to Dick, Kay, 1952-1953. Included with these: broadcast by Dick on Cary, carbon typescript, 5 pages.

Church, Richard, 1893-1972. TLS to Dick, Kay, 13 December 1957.

Davies, Rhys, 1903- . 40 ALS, 8 APCS, APCI to Dick, Kay, 1945-1965, undated. One addressed to Kathleen Farrell.

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6.5

Dunsany, Edward John Moreton Drax Plunkett, Baron, 1878-1957. 9 ALS, TLS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1947.

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6.4

Durrell, Gerald Malcolm, 1925- . 2 ALS, TLS to Dick, Kay, 1947-1953.

Durrell, Lawrence, 1912- . 4 ALS, 4 TLS, 3 APCS, 2 TPCS, telegram to Dick, Kay, 1945-1949, undated.

Edmonds, Helen Woods, 1904- . 5 ALS, 2 TLS, 3 APCS, APCI to Dick, Kay, 1945-1947, undated. Signed Anna Kavan (pseudonym).

Eliot, Thomas Stearns, 1888-1964. TLS to Dick, Kay, 10 June 1943.

Fraser, Ronald, Sir, 1888- . 17 TLS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1948.

Fuller, Roy Broadbent, 1912- . 4 ALS, 4 APCS to Dick, Kay, 1946-1947.

Goldring, Douglas, 1887-1960. 5 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1944-1948.

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6.6

- Graves, Robert, 1895- . 3 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1946.
- Hartley, Leslie Poles, 1895-1972. 18 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1947-1958. Included with these: untitled work by Hartley, handwritten manuscript, 18 pages; broadcast by Dick on Hartley, 2 carbon typescripts, 6 pages each. **Container 6.7**
- Heath-Stubbs, John Francis Alexander, 1918- . 16 ALS, 4 APCS, APCI to Dick, Kay, 1945-1949, undated. **Container 6.6**
- Hoff, Harry Summerfield, 1910- . 5 ALS, 31 ALI, AL / incomplete to Dick, Kay, 1950-1956. Included with these: broadcast by Dick on Hoff (pseudonym William Cooper), 2 carbon typescripts, 7 pages, 8 pages. **Container 7.1**
- Hutchinson and Co. Ltd. TLS to Dick, Kay, 17 May 1962. **Container 6.6**
- Jackson, Holbrook, 1874-1948. 14 ALS, 4 APCS, APCI to Dick, Kay, 1945-1948.
- Lehmann, Rosamond, 1903- . 4 ALS, TLS, APCS to Dick, Kay, 1948-1953. **Container 7.2**
- Liddell, Robert, 1908- . 9 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1952-1962.
- Lunn, Hugh Kingsmill, 1889- . 11 ALS, 4 ALI to Dick, Kay, 1945-1949, undated.
- Mercer, Cecil William, 1885- . 5 TLS to Dick, Kay, 1948. With enclosures. Letters signed with pseudonym Dornford Yates.
- Newby, Percy Howard, 1918- . 19 ALS, 13 TLS, TLS / photocopy, 2 TLI, 12 APCS, 2 APCI to Dick, Kay, 1944-1957, undated. Many also directed to Kathleen Farrell. Included with these: 2 TLS Newby to Kathleen Farrell; broadcast by Dick on Newby, carbon typescript, 8 pages; newspaper clipping. **Container 7.3**
- Orwell, George, 1903-1950. 4 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1946. **Container 7.2**
- Powell, Anthony, 1905- . 3 ALS, 7 TLS, APCS, APCI to Dick, Kay, 1953-1958.
- Raine, Kathleen Jessie, 1908- . 12 ALS to Dick, Kay, 1947-1949, undated.
- Rubbra, Edmund, 1901- . 2 ALS, APCS to Dick, Kay, 1944-1945.
- Sackville-West, Edward Charles, Baron, 1901-1965. 7 ALS, APCS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1947, undated.
- Sackville-West, Victoria Mary, Hon, 1892-1962. 4 TLS to Dick, Kay, 1947-1953. Included with these: broadcast by Dick on Sackville-West, carbon typescript, 7 pages.

- Sansom, William, 1912-1976. 26 ALS, TL to Dick, Kay, 1944-1953, undated. **Container**
7.4
- Scott, Paul, 1920-1978. 25 ALS, 19 TLS, AN, 2 APCS to Dick, Kay, 1956-1966, undated. One addressed to Kathleen Farrell. **Container**
7.5
- Sitwell, Edith, Dame, 1887-1964. 2 ALS to Dick, Kay, 26 July and 5 August 1948. **Container**
7.2
- Stephanides, Theodore. 6 ALS, 3 TLS to Dick, Kay, 1945-1953. Included with these: two handwritten notes by Dick.
- Stonier, George Walter, 1903- . 10 ALS, APCS to Dick, Kay, 1946-1947.
- Tippett, Michael Kemp, 1905- . ALS to Dick, Kay, 4 January 1945. **Container**
7.6
- Todd, Ruthven, 1914- . 3 ALS, TLS to Dick, Kay, 1944-1945, undated.
- Todd, Ruthven, 1914- . Christmas card to Dick, Kay, 1947.
- Wedgwood, Cicely Veronica, 1910- . 8 TLS, 2 TLI, APCS to Dick, Kay, 1944-1948, undated.
- West, Rebecca, Dame, 1892- . ALS, 2 TLS to Dick, Kay, 1946-1957.
- Wilkinson, Louis Umfreville, 1881- . 13 ALS, 16 TLS, TLI, 7 APCS, 5 APCI, TPCS, 2 TPCI, 1945-1950, undated. Included with these: TLS Wilkinson to Mr. Moore with AL / draft of reply by Dick written on verso. Signed with pseudonym Louis Marlow. **Container**
7.7
- Wilson, Angus, 1913- . 6 ALS, 2 TLS, 4 APCS to Dick, Kay, 1949-1963, undated. **Container**
7.6
- Wright, David, 1920- . 3 ALS, 34 TLS, 4 TL, APCS, 2 TPCS, telegram, 1948-1957, undated. With enclosures. Included with these: TLS Wright to Kathleen Farrell; TccL Farrell to Wright; memorandum of agreement between Wright and Editions Poetry London; 2 TLS Doubleday and Company to Dick; TLS Alfred A. Knopf, Inc. to Dick; TccL Dick to Knopf, Inc.; newspaper clipping. **Container**
7.8
- Yeh, Chun-Chan, 1916- . 12 ALS, 9 TLS, 7 APCS, TPC to Dick, Kay, 1945-1948, undated. **Container**
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Miscellaneous:

Farrell, Kathleen. 2 ALS, APCS, Christmas card to Cranfill, Thomas Mabry,
1960-1961, undated.

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Explanatory Note Concerning Manuscript Collections Cataloged in the Card Catalog

Prior to 1990 when archival cataloging procedures were adopted at the Ransom Center, all manuscript collections were described in a card catalog.

Organization of Collections:

- Manuscripts for each author collection were organized into four categories:
- **Works:** manuscripts by the author, arranged alphabetically by title;
- **Letters:** the author's outgoing correspondence, arranged alphabetically by recipient name;
- **Recipient:** the author's incoming correspondence, arranged alphabetically by the author of the letter; and
- **Miscellaneous:** all other manuscripts and correspondence, arranged alphabetically by creator.

Materials that did not fit into these categories, such as art, photographs, books, and near-print materials such as newspaper clippings, were dispersed to other Ransom Center collections for cataloging and storage.

Abbreviations Used in Descriptions:

The symbols below were used in combinations. For example **ALS** means autograph letter signed; **Tccms** means typed carbon copy manuscript, etc.

- **A** = autograph (i.e., handwritten)
- **T** = typed
- **S** = signed
- **I** = initialed
- **Ms** = manuscript
- **Mss** = manuscripts
- **L** = letter
- **FL** = form letter
- **N** = note
- **D** = document
- **C** = card
- **PC** = post card
- **cc** = carbon copy
- **p** = page
- **pp** = pages
- **l** = leaf
- **ll** = leaves
- **nd** = no date
- **inc d** = incomplete date

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