

Shelby Hearon:

A Preliminary Inventory of an Addition to Her Papers at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

- Creator:** Hearon, Shelby, 1931-2016
- Title:** Shelby Hearon Addition to Her Papers
- Dates:** 1994-2003
- Extent:** 6 boxes (2.52 linear feet); uncatalogued accessions: 8 document boxes, 4 record storage cartons (7.36 linear feet)
- Abstract:** Additional papers for Shelby Hearon include manuscripts and other materials for her novels, *Footprints* (1996) and *Ella in Bloom* (2001), as well as a television movie adaptation of *Life Estates*, titled *Best Friends for Life* (1998). Other materials present include articles and a short story, photographs, publicity, reviews, and correspondence from 1996-2003.
- Call Number:** Manuscript Collection MS-01891
- 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

- Acquisition:** Purchase and gift, 2000-2003 (R14676, G12210)
- Processed by:** Liz Murray, 2000; 2003
- Repository:** [Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin](#)
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Scope and Contents

Additional papers for Shelby Hearon include manuscripts and other materials for her most recently published novels, *Footprints* (1996) and *Ella in Bloom* (2001), as well as a television movie adaptation of *Life Estates*, titled *Best Friends for Life* (1998). Other materials present include articles and a short story, photographs, publicity, reviews, and correspondence from 1996-2003.

The papers are organized in three series: I. Works, with Subseries A. Novels, and Subseries B. Other Writings; II. Career-Related Materials; and III. Correspondence.

Index Terms

People

Jones, Judith.

Weil, Wendy.

Document Types

Galley proofs.

Typescripts.

printer's proofs.

Series I. Works

Subseries A. Novels

Ella in Bloom (2001)

"Roughies," January-March 1999	Box 1 Folder 1-2
Original typescript, 12 September 1999	Folder 3-4
Setting copy	Folder 5-6
Author's galleys, second pass	Box 2 Folder 1
Research materials	Folder 2-4
Research materials, cont'd	Box 3 Folder 1
Publisher/agent notes and letters on development of <i>Ella in Bloom</i>	Folder 2

Footprints (1996)

"Roughies"	Box 3 Folder 3
Revised typescript	Folder 4-5
Knopf uncorrected proof	Folder 6
Field notes	Box 4 Folder 1
Research materials	Folder 2-4
Book tour	Folder 5
Knopf catalog and reviews	Folder 6
Publishers notes on new book jacket for 2nd printing	Folder 7

Subseries B. Other Writings

Articles

On marriage, in <i>New Choices</i> , 1997-1998	Box 4 Folder 8
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"Writing about Your Own Back Yard," in <i>The Writer</i> , September 1999	Folder 9
Book reviews by Hearon	Box 5 Folder 1
<i>Life Estates</i> , CBS-TV script adapted as the CBS- Hallmark movie <i>Best Friends for Life</i> , 1998	Folder 2
"A Most Unusual Wedding," short story, <i>Redbook</i> , June, 1996	Folder 3

Series II. Career-Related Material

Biographical entry for Scribners *American Writers*, 2001

Box 5
Folder 4

Material for "Transforming Vision, Writers on Art," The Art Institute of Chicago, reading, 22 November 1994

Folder
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Photographs

Folder 6

Publicity, including articles, book reviews, and interviews

Folder 7-8

Series III. Correspondence

Agents and publishers	Box 5 Folder 9
Family	Box 6 Folder 1
Fan mail	Folder 2
Former students (bulk)	Folder 3
General	Folder 4-6
Jones, Judith	Folder 7
Weil, Wendy	Folder 8

Shelby Hearon Papers, Uncatalogued Accessions, (G12344, G12468, 14-05-017-G, 09-01-05-G, 17-11-017-G)

7 folders: Ella in Bloom galleys, Barbara Jordan a self-portrait, misc works (G12344)	container 7
8 folders: "Best Friends for Life" movie material, misc. Correspondence, photograph; reviews: 1960's - 1990's; Dr. Thomas F. Staley's speech to honor Shelby Hearon at the 2003 Texas Book Festival; awards/events (2004) (G12344)	container 8
10 folders: Ella in Bloom: notes, research, photographs, first pass proofs, extract published as "Uncle Kane," book tour, Knopf catalog, "roughies" (G12468)	container 9
7 folders: Year of the Dog: notes & research (G12468)	container 10
11 folders: Year of the Dog: notes, research, photographs, negatives (DO NOT CIRCULATE), typescript; articles and reviews by Hearon, correspondence (G12468)	container 11
13 folders: Correspondence (10); career-related articles, reviews, and publicity materials; Yokota Officers Club (G12468)	container 12
2 folders: The Secret Life of Bees bound proof, correspondence; career-related - American Academy and Institute of Arts (G12468)	container 13
3 folders: The Stone Sisters: Correspondence, notes, research materials, final and first drafts (14-05-017-G)	container 14
14 folders: journal, Barbara Jordan materials, articles, reviews, Year of the Dog, personal files, correspondence, publisher related documents, Ella in Bloom (09-01-05-G)	container 15
15 folders: Photography, correspondence, The Texas, Kentucky, New York years, Movie deal - Jolene, Life Estates film, reading announcements, workshops, reviews (09-01-05-G)	container 16
Miscellaneous manuscript materials (17-11-017-G)	container 17
Miscellaneous manuscript materials (17-11-017-G)	container 18

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