

# Norman Douglas:

## An Inventory of His Literary File Photography Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

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### Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator:</b>	Douglas, Norman, 1868-1952
<b>Title:</b>	Norman Douglas Literary File Photography Collection
<b>Dates:</b>	1890-1952
<b>Extent:</b>	92 items
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Norman Douglas Literary File consists of 92 pictures (91 photographs and photomechanical prints; 1 drawing), including numerous portraits of Douglas.
<b>Call Number:</b>	PH-02769
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Access:</b>	Open for research. Negatives cannot be accessed without curatorial approval. To make an appointment or to reserve photography materials, please email <a href="#">Visual Materials Reference staff</a> . Researchers must create an online Research Account and agree to the Materials Use Policy before using archival materials.
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**Administrative Information**

**Preferred Citation:** Norman Douglas Literary File Photography Collection (PH-02769).  
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**Acquisition:** Internal transfers

**Processed by:** Mary Alice Harper and Mary Foster, 2006

**Repository:** [Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin.](#)

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## Scope and Contents

The Norman Douglas Literary File consists of 92 pictures (91 photographs and photomechanical prints; 1 drawing), including numerous portraits of Douglas. Most of the items are contained in two albums compiled by Nancy Cunard, who is also depicted in some of the photographs. An index at the end of this guide lists photographers whose work is featured in this file. Further descriptions of some items may be available in a card catalog in the repository.

This file forms a part of the Literary Files Photography Collection that is comprised of photographs and albums withdrawn from the libraries and/or papers of literary figures, and generally includes portraits and images collected by or of those figures.

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## Related Material

Associated and related material by and about Douglas can be found in the Center's library and in the Norman Douglas Collection (MS-01202).

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## Index Terms

### People

Cunard, Nancy, 1896-1965.  
Douglas, Norman, 1868-1952.

### Subjects

Albums.  
Drawings.  
Photomechanical Prints.  
Portraits.

### Places

Germany.  
Italy.  
Tunisia.

### Document Types

Nitrate negatives.

Photographic prints.

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**Location**

**Print Number: P1-P3** Portraits of Douglas.

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**Print Number: P5-P6** Portraits of Douglas with Pino Orioli.

**Print Number: P7** Photographic reproduction of the title page of a copy of Douglas' book *Alone* with his handwritten note to "Tommy," 22 April 1944.

**Print Number: P8** Photographic reproduction of a page of corrected galley proofs.

**Print Number: P9** View of Blumenegg, Germany.

**Print Number: P10** Image of a young man playing a double flute outdoors in Calabria, Italy.

**Print Number: P11-P13** Views of Gafsa, Tunisia.

**Print Number: P14-P15** Views of Capri, Italy.

**Print Number: P18-P19** Portraits of Douglas in Capri, with his inscriptions on versos, 1950.

**Print Number: P20-P21** 2 snapshots of the exterior of a building in which Douglas lived (original nitrate negatives available).

**Accession Number: 957:0046:0001-0023** Handmade album with red cover containing 23 pictures (21 photographic prints, 1 of which is laid in, and 2 photomechanical prints); mostly portraits of Norman Douglas; compiled by Nancy Cunard; inscribed on cover: "Norman Douglas;" handwritten captions (by Cunard?) identifying most images; 1923-1943. Original nitrate negative for 957:0046:0001 moved to Nitrate Vault.

**Location**

Douglas,  
N., Lit  
File  
Album 1

**Accession Number: 957:0047:0001-0032** Handmade album with black and white snakeskin-print cover containing 31 pictures (photographic and photomechanical prints) and 1 original drawing; mostly portraits of Norman Douglas; also scenes of the native peoples of Tanganyika, Africa, (taken by Douglas) and other subjects; compiled by Nancy Cunard; inscribed on front free endpaper: "Norman Douglas;" handwritten captions (by Cunard?) identifying some images; handwritten notes by Douglas on several pictures; circa 1890-1952.

**Location**

Douglas,  
N., Lit  
File  
Album 2

**Location**

Cold  
Storage  
Lit File  
Boxes

**Print Number: P20-P25** 6 nitrate negatives of the exterior of a building in which Douglas lived (prints available for P20-P21 only).

**Print Number: P26-P34** 9 nitrate negatives of an unidentified woman seated inside and outside a stone house, and several books lying on a lawn (no prints available).

**Accession Number: 957:0046:0001;**  
**957:0046:0018/957:0047:0014; 957:0046:0019/957:0047:0015;**  
**957:0046:0020/957:0047:0020; 957:0046:0021/957:0047:0011** 5  
nitrate negatives that correspond to prints in the two albums bearing the same accession numbers.

## **Index of Photographers**

- Cross Photos--957:0047:0028
- Cunard, Nancy, 1896-1965--957:0046:0001-0009, 0014, 0018-0021; 957:0047:0009-0011, 0013-0015, 0024
- Douglas, Norman, 1868-1952--957:0046:0015; 957:0047:0017-0022, 0025
- Ewing, James, fl. ca. 1880s-1890s--957:0047:0027
- Long, Basil--957:0046:0012-0013, 0022
- Lyons, Islay, 1922- --957:0046:0023; 957:0047:0001-0004