

# Dylan Thomas:

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

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### Descriptive Summary

<b>Creator:</b>	Thomas, Dylan, 1914-1953
<b>Title:</b>	Dylan Thomas Literary File Photography Collection
<b>Dates:</b>	circa 1910s-1950s
<b>Extent:</b>	270 items (3 boxes)
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Dylan Thomas Literary File Photography Collection consists of 270 photographs, including portraits of Thomas, his wife Caitlin Macnamara, their children and other family members, as well as friends and associates.
<b>Call Number:</b>	PH-02774
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Access:</b>	Open for research. 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** Dylan Thomas Literary File Photography Collection (PH-02774).  
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**Acquisition:** Internal transfers

**Processed by:** Susan McClellan, 2006

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

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## Scope and Contents

The Dylan Thomas Literary File Photography Collection consists of 270 photographs, including portraits of Thomas, his wife Caitlin Macnamara, their children Llewelyn, Aeronwy, and Colm, Thomas' mother Florence, and other family members, as well as friends and associates. There are also photographic reproductions of sketches by Thomas, scenes from a production of *Under Milk Wood*, and views of places in Wales associated with Thomas, including Laugharne, where Thomas moved with his family in 1938. 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This file forms a part of the Literary Files Photography Collection that is comprised of photographs and albums withdrawn from the libraries and/or papers of literary figures, and generally includes portraits and images collected by or of those figures.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 Thomas can be found in the Center's library and in the Dylan Thomas Collection (MS-04203) and the Dylan Thomas Art Collection (AR-00273).

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## Index Terms

### People

Levy, Mervyn.  
Dickinson, Patric, 1914-1994.  
Thomas, Caitlin.  
Thomas, Dylan, 1914-1953.  
Thomas-Ellis, Aeronwy.

### Subjects

Literary landmarks.  
Portraits.  
Photography of art.  
Theater--Production and direction.  
Thomas, Dylan, 1914-1953--Homes and haunts--Wales.

**Places**

Laugharne (Wales).

Swansea (Wales).

**Document Types**

Gelatin silver prints.

Photographic prints.

Tintypes.

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**Print Number: P1, P2A-P2E, P3A-P3C, P4-P8, P9A-P9B, P10, P12A-P12B, P13, P14A-P14F, P15-P16, P17A, P18, P19A, P20, P21A-P21B, P22, P23A-P23C, P24A-P24C, P25, P26A-P26B, P27A-P27B, P28-P31, P32A-P32C, P33A-P33C, P34-P37, P38A-P38K, P39, P40A-P40B, P41A-P41D, P42-P49** Images of Thomas alone and with his mother, wife and children, as well as various other people, including Patric Dickinson, Pearl Kazin, Mervyn Levy, and Stanley Moss; negatives included for prints P8, P42-P43.

**Location**  
Thomas,  
D., Lit  
File Box  
1

**Print Number: P50A-P50B, P51-P59, P61, P62A-P62B, P63, P64A-P64B, P65-P71, P72A-P72B, P73, P74A-P74B, P76A-P76AA, P77A-P77F, P78A-P78C, P79, P80A-P80D, P81, P82A-P82B, P83A-P83B, P84A-P84B, P85-P86, P87A-P87B, P88** Images of Thomas with various people; tintype portrait of Thomas' grandfather (P60); images of Thomas' extended family and other people, including Pamela Johnson and Mervyn Levy; photographic reproductions of sketches by Thomas (P76A-P76AA); scenes from a production of *Under Milk Wood* (P77A-P77F); views of various places in Wales associated with Thomas; negatives included for prints P64A-P64B; 2 connected negatives each for P74A and P74B.

**Location**  
Thomas,  
D., Lit  
File Box  
2

**Print Number: P89-P90, P91A-P91B, P92-P93, P94A-P94C, P95A-P95B, P96, P97A-P97B, P98A-P98C, P99, P100A-P100F, P101-P110** Chiefly views of various places, including Swansea and Laugharne, Wales; also includes photographic reproductions of a drawing of Thomas by Michael Ayrton (P102-P103).

**Location**  
Thomas,  
D., Lit  
File Box  
3

**Accession Number: 983:0021:0001-0050, 0052-0065** Images of Thomas, his mother, wife, and children (including some portraits of Aeronwy as an adult), and various other people; also views of Thomas' residence in Laugharne, Wales, his grave, and other places associated with him.

**Print Number: P17B** Portrait of Thomas.

**Location** Lit File  
OV Box, Small

**Print Number: P11** Portrait of Thomas.

**Location** Lit File  
OV Box, Large

**Print Number: P19B** Image of Thomas directing a rehearsal (?).

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