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Scope, Arrangement, and Content

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The collection comprises the correspondence received by Galen Williams in her capacity as Director of the 92nd Street YMHA Poetry Center from 1961 to 1970, and as the founder, in 1970, of the organization Poets & Writers. The mission of Poets & Writers is to promote literature and the careers of poets and fiction writers by providing them with fees for giving public readings and teaching in writers' workshops.

The collection comprises ca. 250 letters and postcards by 167 distinguished writers and poets (as well as several non-literary notables), including Ai, Margaret Atwood, W. H. Auden, Marvin Bell, Saul Bellow, Paul Blackburn, Anthony Burgess, James Dickey, E. L. Doctorow, Margaret Drabble, T. S. Eliot (to William Kolodney, the former educational director of the 92nd Y), Allen Ginsberg, Alec Guinness, Elizabeth Hardwick, Alan Harrington, Seamus Heaney, Charlton Heston, John Irving, Randall Jarrell, Erica Jong, Galway Kinnell, Carolyn Kizer, Maxine Kumin, Archibald Macleish, Norman Mailer, Peter Matthiessen, James Merrill, W. S. Merwin, Toni Morrison, Arthur Miller, Marianne Moore, Victor S. Navasky, Tillie Olsen, Charles Olson, Cynthia Ozick, Adrienne Rich, Perdita Schaffner, Anne Sexton, William Jay Smith, Susan Sontag, Jean Stafford, William Stafford, William Styron, John Updike, Kurt Vonnegut, Diane Wakoski, Robert Penn Warren, Richard Wilbur, Tom Wolfe, Jay Wright, and Richard Yates. Most of the correspondence is devoted primarily to responding to Williams's requests that the writers participate in the two organizations' reading programs, and that they donate funds to Poets & Writers. But the responses often contain interesting asides, and occasional, substantive commentaries on writing, on other writers, and on the commercial aspects of publishing.

The collection is arranged alphabetically, by the name of the writer. The box and folder numbers followed are in the left-hand margin.

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| 1.1 | Ai | Postcard, signed, 4/15/85. |
| | ALLISON, Dorothy | Autograph letter, signed, 4/25/92, 1 leaf. |
| | ATWOOD, Margaret | Typed letter, signed, 12/20/80, 1 leaf. |
| | AUDEN, W. H. | Autograph letter, signed, 7/23/?. 1 leaf. (copy). |
| | BALAKIAN, Anna | Autograph letter, signed, 5/22/91, 1 leaf. |
| | BELL, Marvin | Typed letter, signed, 3/21/93 4 leaves. with typed letter, signed Anthony Quinn to Bell, 3/29/93 1 leaf. (copy) 8 typed |

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- letters, signed: 3/22/93, 1l.; 3/16/94, 2 leaves. with typescript, 1 leaf; 4/3/94, 1 leaf; 3/1/95, 2 leaves; 3/18/95, 1 leaf; 4/2/95, 1 leaf; 10/6/95, 1 leaf; 12/5/96, 1 leaf. 3 postcards, signed: 1/17/97; 8/98; n.d..
- 1.2 BELLOW, Saul 2 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 2/22/88; 10/28/90.
- BINGHAM, Sally Typed letter, signed, 3/21/86, 1 leaf.
- BLACKBURN, Paul 3 Typed letters, signed: 3/15/65, 1 leaf (copy); 5/31/70, 1 leaf with printed biography, 1 leaf + printed "Poets and Writers Information Form Spring 1970," 1 leaf (filled in); 1/14/71, 1 leaf; postcard, signed, 1/28/69 (2 copies).
- BLY, Robert Autograph note, signed, 4/30/70, 1 leaf; 2 postcards, signed: 11/71; n.d. (2 copies + copy of front duck); autograph letter signed, 10/3/80, 1 leaf.
- BRANDT, Anthony Typed letter, signed, 5/24/92, 1 leaf.
- BRILLIANT, Alan Typed letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- BROOKS, Gwendolyn Signed Christmas card, 12/23/92.
- BROWN, Rosellen Typed letter, signed, 11/19/92, 2 leaves.
- BURGESS, Anthony Typed letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- 1.3 CARLISLE, Olga Autograph letter signed, 9/10/70, 2 leaves; postcard, signed, 1/63?
- CHANG, Diana Autograph letter signed, 12/1/97, 3 leaves; Printed paragraph, Summer 1998, 1 leaf.
- CHEEVER, John Typed letter, signed, 5/17/97, 1 leaf.
- CIARDI, John 2 autograph notes, signed: 9/19/97, card; n.d., card.
- COLLINS, Billy Typed letter, signed, 4/21/03, 1 leaf.

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- CREELEY, Robert 2 autograph letters, signed: 6/24/68, 2 leaves (copy); 11/12/71, 1 leaf (copy).
- DARR, Anne Typed letter, signed, 4/15/70, 1 leaf.
- DAVIS, Hope Hale (Mrs. Robert Gorham Davis) 3 Typed letters, signed: 9/22/91, 3 leaves; 1/16/97, 2 leaves with article, 3 leaves; 10/5/71 from Robert Davis, 1 leaf with GW reply, typed letter with autograph note, signed, 10/16/71, 1 leaf.
- 1.4 DICKEY, James 10 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 7/22/69; 7/10/70; 9/13/72; 10/30/72; 11/3/80; 12/8/80; 9/27/82, with photo; 12/1/82; 3/21/83; 9/22/83 (with holograph note).
- DIGIOVANNI, Norman Thomas Autograph letter, signed, 5/7/71, 1 leaf.
- DILLARD, Annie Autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- DOCTOROW, E. L. Autograph letter, signed, 10/8/73, 1 leaf; 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 11/17/83; 1/9/89; 11/12/90.
- DRABBLE, Margaret Postcard, signed, n.d..
- DREXLER, Rosalyn Postcard, signed, n.d..
- DUGAN, Judy Shahn Autograph letter, signed, 4/2/69, 1 leaf.
- DURRELL, Lawrence Typed letter, signed, 1/8/70, 1 leaf.
- 1.5 ELIOT, T. S. 2 typed letters, signed: 5/3/62 to W. Kolodney, 1 leaf (copy); 3/8/63, 1 leaf (copy).
- ELMAN, Richard Autograph letter, signed, 9/12/77, 1 leaf.
- ERWITR, Elliot Photo with signature, 12/66, card.
- FAST, Howard Typed letter, signed, 6/27/82, 1 leaf.
- FELLOWES, Julian & Emma 2 postcards, signed: 1/26/02; 1/27/02. 4 autograph letters, signed, card: 10/11/04; 5/1/11; 7/12/11; 10/18/11.

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- FIELD, Edward Postcard, signed, 6/18/01; typed letter, signed (with holograph note), 2/9/03, 1 leaf; autograph note, signed, n.d..
- FLANAGAN, Tom & Jean Autograph note, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- FORD, Harry Typed letter signed, 1/18/?, 1 leaf.
- FULLER, R. Buckminster Typescript, "Biographical Summary Gene Fowler, poet," n.d., 5 leaves.
- 2.1 GARDNER, Isabella Autograph letter, signed, 1/31/76, 2 leaves with typescript poems, 4 leaves; autograph letter, n.d., card.
- GINSBERG, Allen Typed letter, signed, to Dr. Kolodny, 4/31/64 2 leaves (copy); postcard, signed, 9/5/70; typed letter, signed, 2/11/78, 1 leaf with typed letter, signed Basil Bunting to A. Ginsberg, 1/15/98, 2 leaves (copy); postcard, signed, 11/19/93; autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- GLASSMAN, Bernard Typed letter, signed, 7/20/82, 1 leaf.
- GOLDSMITH, Barbara 2 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 10/8/84; 4/14/92.
- GOTTLIEB, Robert Autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- 2.2 GREEN, Hannah 17 autograph letters, signed: 1968-69?, 3 leaves; 12/12/68, 2 leaves; 1969, 5 leaves; 7/25/71, 1 leaf; 4/8/74, 2 leaves; 5/27/74, 2 cards; n.d. [?11/75], card; 11/1/76, card; 10/30/80, 2 cards; 4/28/82, 1 leaf; 12/16/88, card; 7/28/91, card; 1/26/93, 1 leaf; 5/14/?, card; n.d. "Friday," 1 leaf; 7/31/?, card; 5/27/?, 2 leaves. Blank card "John Wesley Recent Paintings," 4/19/82; Catalogue "Cheep!" John Wesley Work, 1962-1982. Postcard, signed, 7/13/?
- 2.3 GUINNESS, Sir Alec Autograph letter, signed, 4/30/64, 1 leaf; telegram, 3/6/65, 1 leaf; autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- GURGANUS, Allen Autograph letter, signed, 8/90, 1 leaf; autograph letter, signed, 9/92, 1 leaf.

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- HADAS, Rachel Autograph letter, signed, 2/6/10, 1 leaf with business card + book announcement card.
- HAGEN, Yvonne Postcard, signed, 10/15/85.
- HALL, Donald Postcard, signed, 9/29/93?; typed letter, signed, 12/4/06, 1 leaf.
- HARDWICK, Eliz. Typed letter, signed, n.d., card.
- HARE, David Autograph note, signed on printed data (copy), re: paintings, 4/74 & 2/16/66, 2 leaves.
- 2.4 HARRINGTON, Alan 2 autograph letters, signed: 7/2/70, 1 leaf; n.d., card. 4 typed letters, signed: 5/6/71, 1 leaf; 7/25/72, 1 leaf; 12/27/76, 1 leaf with 2 photos; n.d., 1 leaf. Printed tribute to Harrington, Tucson Weekly, 7/3-7/9/1997, 8 leaves. Typescript, "Remembering Alan," by Peggy Harrington, 6/8/97, 2 leaves.
- HARRISON, Jim Autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf; typed letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- HAZZARD, Shirley Autograph letter, signed, 4/20/83, 1 leaf.
- HEANEY, Seamus 2 postcards, signed: n.d.; 1991?. Photograph, 5/83; autograph note, signed, n.d., card.
- 3.1 HECHT, Helen Autograph letter, signed, 10/31/04, 1 leaf.
- HESTON, Charlton Typescript list, 4/10/93, 1 leaf.
- HIGHTOWER, John Autograph letter, signed, 3/12/10, 2 cards.
- HOAGLAND, Ted 3 postcards, signed: 1984; 3/3/84; 4/18/84. 2 typed letters, signed: 2/23/84, 1 leaf; n.d., card. Poster "The Circus of Dr. Lao," 5/22/84, 1 leaf.
- HOCHMAN, Sandra Typed letter, signed, n.d. 1 leaf.
- HOFFMAN, Daniel Typed letter, signed, 5/9/08, 1 leaf with printout, 4 leaves.
- HORNICK, Lita Autograph letter, signed, 8/7/90, 3 leaves.

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- HOWELL, Barbara Autograph letter, signed, 4/1/86, 2 leaves.
- HOWES, Barbara 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 12/8/83; 3/31/84; 5/30/84.
- 3.2 IGNATOW, David Autograph letter, signed, 8/9/72, 2 leaves; 2 typed letters, signed: 8/21/73, 1 leaf with photo; W. C. Williams to Ignatow, 6/9/60, 1 leaf (copy).
- IGNATOW, Rose G. Typed letter, signed, 1/2/83, 1 leaf; postcard, signed, 1/7/84; 2 autograph letters, signed: 12/9/84, 1 leaf + card; 12/10/84, 1 leaf. Undated fragments, autograph and typed, 18 leaves; Printout of story, 2 leaves; Newspaper article, 2 leaves; typed letter, signed, M. Brand to Rose, 11/10/69, 1 leaf (copy).
- 3.3 IRVING, Clifford 2 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: 11/30/76; 4/6/84.
- IRVING, John Autograph note, signed on autograph letter, signed Galen Williams to Irving, 8/11/82, 2 leaves; 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 3/10/85; 8/27/92 with photo; 8/21/93.
- ISAACS, Susan 2 autograph letters, signed, card: 1/11/99; 12/10/01.
- IVRY, Benjamin 2 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: 11/14/92; 11/20/97.
- JARRELL, Randall Autograph letter, signed, 5/17/63, 4 leaves (copy).
- JONG, Erica 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 10/16/70; 11/27/75; 3/18/75. 5 autograph letters, signed: 9/20/71, 2 leaves; 4/14/72, 1 leaf; 10/6/73, 1 leaf; 5/18/76, 1 leaf with typescript poems, 2 leaves (page 3 of poem is on verso of autograph letter); 7/24/78, 1 leaf (on typescript poem). Postcard, signed, 8/15/71; autograph note, signed, 12/10/75, card.
- 3.4 KAUFMAN, Bel Autograph letter, signed, 10/23/80, 1 leaf.
- KAUFMAN, Shirley Autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- KAZIN, Alfred Typed letter, signed, 3/16/79, 1 leaf.
- KENNEDY, William Typed letter, signed, 1/20/89, 1 leaf.
- KENNEDY, X. J. Autograph letter, signed, 10/27/00, 1 leaf.

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- KINNELL, Galway 8 autograph letters, signed: 1/11/70, 1 leaf; 1/24/70, 2 leaves; 11/8/78, 1 leaf; [6/17/95?], 1 leaf with typescript, "Tribute to Galen," 7 leaves; n.d., 1 leaf; n.d., 1 leaf; n.d., 1 leaf; n.d., 1 leaf. 3 postcards, signed: 7/23/80 (+ 1 copy); 6/22/81; n.d. (from Ines Kinnell). Typed letter, signed, 12/3/79, 2 leaves.
- 4.1 KING, Bill Autograph letter, signed, 1/2/84, 1 leaf.
- KIZER, Carolyn 16 Postcards, signed: 4/23/70 (from Ashley, Kizer's daughter); 6/25/70; 6/8/75; 7/25/85; 4/25/89; 6/9/89; 11/10/89; 6/1/91; 11/6/91; 7/31/92; 9/1/92; 9/10/92; 7/14/98; 7/29/98; n.d.; n.d.. 9 autograph letters, signed: 7/7/73, 1 leaf; 8/3/77, 3 leaves; 5/14/81, card; 7/5/85, card; 1/3/91, card; 10/23/97, card; 6/11/01, card; 11/27/01, card; 7/22/04, card. 5 typed letters, signed: 10/9/67, 1 leaf; 11/6/73, 1 leaf with typescript poem, 1 leaf; 6/11/82, 1 leaf with printout of article, 4 leaves; 12/9/82, W. W. Norton to C. Kizer, 4 leaves; 5/4/92, 1 leaf. Autograph letter, signed John Woodbury (Kizer's husband), 3/24/?, 1 leaf.
- 4.2 KUMIN, Maxine 4 typed letters, signed: 5/6/71, 1 leaf; 10/16/74 1 leaf; 10/29/84, 1 leaf; 2/22/92, card. Postcard, signed, 2/20/78. Typescript poem & printed poem, 11/19/84, 2 leaves. Autograph poem, n.d., 1 leaf.
- KUNITZ, Stanley Autograph letter, signed, 5/24/80, card.
- LAVIN, Mary Autograph letter signed, 3/10/71, 1 leaf.
- LOGAN, John Pamphlet, "The Bridge of Change" (poem), 1978.
- LOPEZ, Barry 2 Typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 6/3/95; 5/22/98.
- LURIE, Alison Autograph letter, signed (to Harvey Shapiro and Galen Williams) 4/22/?05, card; Autograph note (to H. Shapiro), 1/27/12, 1 leaf.
- 4.3 MCCLOSKEY, Math Postcard, signed, 6/4/72.

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- MCCOURT, James (& Vincent Varga) Autograph note, signed, 9/8/91, card; Inscription on title page of "The Recorder," Fall 1999, 1 leaf; 2 postcards, signed, n.d. (? 8/19 & 8/27).
- MCCOWEN, Alec Autograph letter, signed, 4/13/95 1 leaf.
- MACDONALD, Dwight 3 typed letters, signed: 10/4/73 1 leaf; 6/15/76, 1 leaf; 8/11/77, 1 leaf with clipping re: Tolstoy 1 leaf; Clipping: Obituary, East Hampton Star, 12/23/82, 1 leaf.
- MACLEISH, Archibald Typed letter, signed, 4/18/68, 1 leaf.
- MACSHANE, Frank Autograph letter signed, 11/10/82, 1 leaf.
- MAILER, Norman Autograph letter, signed, 11/7/70, 1 leaf; 6 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 1/29/83; 1/31/85 (2 copies); 4/5/89 (2 copies); 3/14/91 (2 copies + copy of envelope); 11/1/91; 9/20/95 with ink sketch, 1 leaf. Postcard, signed, n.d..
- 4.4 MALAMUD, Bernard Typed letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf; Autograph letter, signed (copy), n.d., 1 leaf.
- MALOFF, Saul 2 typed letters signed, 1 leaf: 5/24/72; 7/13/72.
- MATHEWS, Harry 2 autograph letters, signed, card: 1/22/06; 2/17/08. Autograph note, signed, n.d., card.
- MATTHIESON, Peter 3 postcards, signed: 5/11/79; 9/16/95; n.d.
- MEREDITH, William Autograph letter, signed on typescript poem, 12/31/83, 1 leaf.
- MERRILL, James 3 autograph letters, signed: 4/27/82, 1 leaf; 7/18/84, card; (Peter Hooten), 8/95, card. Postcard, signed 12/3/89.
- 5.1 MERWIN, W. S. 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 5/30/69; 3/7/80; 10/10/92. 3 autograph letters, signed: 6/29/82, card; 12/16/?, card; 10/15/93, 1 leaf.
- MILLER, Arthur 2 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: 10/16/69; 8/3/86. Typed letter, signed, 4/24/90, 1 leaf.

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- MOORE, Christopher Autograph letter signed, 11/19/08, card.
- MOORE, Honor Typed letter, signed, 5/27/75, 1 leaf. 2 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: n.d. "Monday"; 11/29/?.
- MORGAN, Fred & Paula 3 postcards, signed: 7/17/72; 7/18/72; 8/24/74. 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 3/23/73; 7/21/82; 6/18/90. Offprint, "Three Poems," Southern Review, Summer, 1973, 1 leaf. Autograph note, signed, n.d., card.
- MORRISON, Toni Typed letter, signed, 5/2/90, 1 leaf.
- 5.2 NAVASKY, Victor Typed letter, signed, 11/29/83, 1 leaf.
- NEMEROV, Howard Postcard, signed, 8/26/76.
- NORRIS, Kathleen Postcard signed, 12/18/74; 3 typed letters, signed: 5/2/91, 2 leaves with Printout, "My Monasticism," 1 leaf; 11/25/91, 2 leaves; 10/24/?. 1 leaf.
- OFFIT, Sidney Autograph note, signed, 7/95, 1 leaf.
- OLSEN, Tillie 2 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 4/10/78; 2/14/?
- OLSON, Charles 2 autograph letters, signed: 11/18/66, 2 leaves with typescript form, 1 leaf; 12/26/66, 4 leaves.
- OSGOOD, Lawrence Postcard, signed, 5/28/97; autograph note, signed, n.d., 1 leaf with typescript poems, 3 leaves.
- OZICK, Cynthia Autograph letter, signed, 3/26/72, 1 leaf; typed letter, signed, 10/31/90, 1 leaf.
- 5.3 PERUTZ, Kathryn 7 postcards, signed: 1/31/63; 1993; 10/26/96; 5/9/97; 4/19/98; n.d.; 7/2/?. 7 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: 5/26/93 (on printout); 2/18/95, card; 4/26/99; n.d., card; n.d., card; n.d., card; n.d.; n.d.. 3 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 8/24/93; 7/8/94; 4/8/97. Autograph note, signed, n.d. (Christmas), card.
- PURDY, James Typed letter, signed, 10/27/83 1 leaf.
- 5.4 RADZIWILL, Lee Typed letter, signed, 3/18/63, 1 leaf.

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- RICH, Adrienne Typed letter signed 7/13/78, 1 leaf; 3 autograph letters, signed, card: n.d.; n.d.; n.d..
- ROREM, Ned Autograph note, signed, n.d., card.
- ROSSNER, Judith Postcard, signed, 8/14/89.
- SAYRE, Nora Typescript, n.d., 3 leaves; typed letter, signed, 7/22/79, 1 leaf; autograph letter, signed, 9/29/79, 1 leaf.
- SCHAFFNER, Perdita 7 typed letter, signed, 2/23/82, 1 leaf; 2/19/83 on verso of printed obituary 1 leaf; 3/22/83 (from Timothy @John Shaffner Associates), 1 leaf with typescript, 1 leaf; 4/8/85, card; 1/15/86, card; 12/9/86, card; 8/3/87, card. 4 postcards, signed: 1/27/83; 1/22/87; 2/15/87; 5/88. Article, 4/17/85, 1 leaf; Clipping.
- 6.1 SCHULMAN, Grace Offprint, "Gift from a Lost World," Yale Review, 10/97, pp. 121-35; 3 autograph letters, signed, card: 11/27/08; 1/25/09; 7/1/11. Autograph note, signed, n.d., card with photo.
- SCHWARTZ, Lynn S. Autograph letter, signed, 12/9/03, card.
- SEXTON, Anne Typed letter, signed, 4/6/71, 1 leaf.
- SHAW, Irwin Autograph note, signed, 6/10/76, 1 leaf.
- SHEED, Wilfred Autograph letter, signed, 12/1/81, 1 leaf.
- SHERRY, John Autograph letter, signed, 11/20/98, 1
- SHERWIN, Judith Johnson Typescript poems, n.d., 7 leaves.
- SIMON, John 2 autograph letters, signed: 7/12/63, 2 leaves; 2/7/76, 1 leaf; autograph note, signed, n.d. (Holiday), card.
- 6.2 SIMPSON, Eileen Autograph letter, signed, 1/26/82, card.
- SIMPSON, Louis Postcard, signed, 6/14/83; typed letter, signed, 4/28/84, 1 leaf; typescript poems, n.d., 13 leaves.
- SINGER, Isaac B. Typed letter, signed, 12/8/72, 1 leaf (copy).

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- SKINNER, Knute Autograph letter, signed, 12/28/69, 1 leaf.
- SMITH, William Jay Autograph poem, 11/10/69, 1 leaf; 3 typed letters, signed: 9/23/70, 2 leaves; 8/18/77, 1 leaf; 8/15/90, 1 leaf. 8 autograph letters signed: 9/16/71 (Sonya? Smith), 2 leaves; 6/20/82, card; 6/26/82 card; 12/15/94, 1 leaf; 4/20/02, 1 leaf; 4/28/06, card; n.d. (poem to Galen), card; n.d. "Saturday," 1 leaf. 3 autograph notes, signed: 4/29/81, card; 11/30/92, printed poem and card; 10/15/08 on exhibition invitation, card. Printed poem, Fall 83, 1 leaf (copy); Printed poem, n.d., 1 leaf.
- 6.3 SONTAG, Susan Autograph letter, signed, 9/20/80, 1 leaf.
- STAFFORD, Jean Typed letter, signed, 12/5/?, 1 leaf.
- STAFFORD, William Typed letter, signed, 11/2/90, 1 leaf.
- STEELE, Timothy Postcard, signed, 3/5/10.
- STYRON, William 5 postcards, signed: 10/22/76; 9/14/79; 9/22/80; 12/11/89; 12/13/97. Autograph letter, signed, 5/20/90, 1 leaf.
- SWENSON, Karen 13 postcards, signed: 8/21/92; 6/2/93; 10/9/96; 11/17/96; 2/3/98; 5/10/00; 6/4/02; 1/16/03; 5/13/04; 6/28/07; 7/2/07; 9/2/09; 12/?. 2 autograph letters, signed, n.d. (Christmas), cards. Floral cardboard (blank).
- 6.4 TALESE, Gay Postcard, signed, 12/7/85.
- TAYLOR, Benjamin Autograph letter, signed, 9/27/96, 1 leaf.
- TENNENBAUM, Sylvia Postcard, signed, 2/15/80.
- TILLICH, Hannah Autograph letter, signed, 9/12/87 card.
- UNTEMEYER, Bryna Autograph note, signed, 1/5/78, 1 leaf.
- UPDIKE, John 7 postcards, signed: 8/8/77; 7/9/82; 10/31/82; 3/13/90; 4/1/91; n.d.; n.d. (?8/28/?). typed letter, signed, 1/15/85, 1 leaf; typed letter signed, 9/22/?, 1 leaf.

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- VAS DIAS, Robert Autograph letter, signed, 8/12/63, 2 leaves with 2 clippings.
- VONNEGUT, Kurt Typed letter, signed, 12/8/97, 1 leaf.
- 7.1 WAKOSKI, Diane Autograph letter, signed, 7/9/01, 1 leaf.
- WALLACH Anne Autograph letter, signed, 10/24/94, 1 leaf.
- WARREN, Robert Penn Typed letter signed, 11/7/62, 1 leaf (copy) with typed letter, signed, Warren to Hightower, 11/22/66 1 leaf + typed letter, signed, Warren to Galen, 5/3/67, 1 leaf (both copies); autograph letter, signed (Mrs. RPWarren), 2/21/63, 1 leaf; typed letter, signed, 10/17/84 1 leaf.
- WEISS, Theodore Postcard, signed, n.d..
- WHITE, Claire McAllister Autograph letter, signed, 9/4/70, 2 leaves.
- WHITE, Terence de Vere 3 autograph letters, signed, n.d., 3 leaves.
- WILBUR, Richard 2 postcards, signed: 5/9/69; 9/3/92. 4 typed letters, signed, 1 leaf: 3/7/72; 8/7/87; 3/12/91; 2/4/10. Printed "Verses on the Times," signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- 7.2 WILENTZ, Theodore Typed note, signed, 5/13/74 1 leaf; autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf.
- WILLIAMS, Joan Typed letter, signed, 9/5/95, 1 leaf with bookmark.
- WILLIAMS, John A. Typed letter, signed, 9/1/77, 1 leaf.
- WOLFE, Tom Autograph letter, signed, 11/27/90, 1 leaf.
- WORTH, Irene 3 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: 5/11/65 with typescript program (4/26/64) with holograph notes 1 leaf; 5/10/77; n.d.. Typed letter, signed, 6/17/79, 1 leaf.
- WRIGHT, Annie Typed letter, signed, 12/4/68, 1 leaf.
- YATES, Richard Typed letter, signed, 9/14/76, 2 leaves.
- YOUNG, Margerite Autograph letter, signed, n.d., 1 leaf with photo.

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| | ZAVATSKY, Bill | Typed letter, signed, 8/25/98, 1 leaf. |
| 7.3 | WRIGHT, Jay | 18 autograph letters, signed, 1 leaf: 4/14/68; 4/22/68, 2 leaves; 5/27/69; 1/25/70; 12/24/70; 7/31/71; 10/23/71; 12/25/71; 3/22/72; 6/30/72; 12/2/72; 2/18/73; 7/7/73; 7/24/73; 7/28/73; 10/11/73/ 12/11/73; 11/1/74. 2 typed letters, signed: 2/11/72, 2 leaves, with typed letter (copy) Wright to PEN, 4 leaves; 11/13/74, 1 leaf. |
| 7.4 | UNKNOWN | Postcards, autograph and typed letters, printout (unidentified). |