Katherine Dunn Collection, 1991-2008

Overview of the Collection

**Creator**  Dunn, Katherine, 1945-

**Title**  Katherine Dunn Collection

**Dates**  1991-2008 (inclusive)

**Quantity**  .3 cubic feet, (1 box)

**Collection Number**  OLPb033DUN

**Summary**  Katherine Dunn is the author of the novel *Geek Love*, an international bestseller and National Book Award finalist. This collection includes biographical and bibliographical information about Dunn, as well as serial publications by Dunn.

**Repository**  Lewis & Clark College, Special Collections and Archives

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**Access Restrictions**  This collection has no restrictions and is open for research.

**Languages**  English

Biographical Note

Katherine Dunn was born on October 24, 1945 in Garden City, Kansas. Dunn was raised on the West coast and attended Portland State University and Reed College from 1964 to 1968, where she embarked on a career as a writer. In 1981 Dunn began work as a journalist writing about boxing. In addition to writing for the Associated Press, her prize-winning boxing stories have appeared in many publications including: *The Ring*, *KO Magazine*, *Vogue*, and *Esquire*. In addition to her work as a journalist, Dunn has achieved international acclaim as a novelist. Her third novel, *Geek Love* was a finalist for the 1998 National Book Award and has been translated into over ten languages. She is also the author of the novels "Attic" and "Truck." Dunn resides in Portland, Oregon.

Content Description

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Use of the Collection
Restrictions on Use

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Preferred Citation

The Katherine Dunn Collection (OLPb033DUN), Lewis & Clark College Aubrey Watzek Library Archives & Special Collections, Portland, Oregon.

Administrative Information

Arrangement

Arranged according to original order.

Location of Collection

Special Collections

Acquisition Information


Future Additions

This collection will be added to on a regular basis.

Processing Note

Processed in 2008 and housed in acid free materials.

Related Materials

Lewis & Clark College Special Collections also holds a collection of materials produced by "The Impossibilists" of which Dunn was a contributor. See the "Impossibilists Publications Collection" in the NWDA database.

Detailed Description of the Collection

The following section contains a detailed listing of the materials in the collection.

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**Names and Subjects**

**Subject Terms**: Boxing

Carnival owners -- Fiction

**Personal Names**: Dunn, Katherine, 1945-- --Archives

**Titles within the Collection**: Geek love

Jeremy Skinner
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