

Quail Hawkins papers, 1925-1974

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Hawkins, Quail
Title	Quail Hawkins papers
Dates	1925-1974 (inclusive) 1925 1974
Quantity	9.75 linear feet, (9 containers)
Collection Number	Ax 819
Summary	Quail Hawkins (1905-2002) was a writer of children's books. The collection includes published works, book length manuscripts as well as short stories, musicals, articles and poetry. The collection also includes clippings and correspondence that reflects her work.
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Languages	English
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Historical Note

(Helene) (Anne) Quail Hawkins (March 29, 1905-August 16, 2002), born in Spokane, Washington, is known for authoring children's books. She attended the University of California at Berkeley in 1927, without taking a degree, instead worked as a bookseller. She was also briefly on the staff of *Publishers Weekly* before joining Sather Gate Bookshop in 1931. Starting as a salesperson there, she eventually became head of the adult and juvenile departments. From 1954 to 1961 she worked in sales for the University of California Press before returning to Sather Gate Bookshop as a consultant on library services and book fairs. Hawkins enjoyed visiting schools and libraries, promoting children's literature; she also encouraged now-famous authors, such as Ursula K. Le Guin and Beverly Cleary to pursue writing careers. Among her own books are *A Puppy for Keeps* (1943), *The Aunt-Sitter* (1958), and her retelling of *Androcles and the Lion* (1970). In 1963 Hawkins also wrote material on children's literature for the *Encyclopedia Britannica*. She died in Pacific Grove, California.

Content Description

The Quail Hawkins Papers include published works, book length manuscripts, short stories, musicals, articles, poetry, clippings, and correspondence.

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

Collection is organized into the following series:

Series: Loose Illustrations

Series: Correspondence

Series: Literary Manuscripts

Series: Correspondence II

Series: Published Books

Series: Addenda I

Series: Addenda II

Acquisition Information

Gift of Quail Hawkins in 1977.

Processing Note

Collection processed by processing staff, 1977.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Loose Illustrations

Container(s)		Description
Box	Folder	
1	1	Sketch by Don Freeman
1	2	Sketch of mouse in tux by Don Freeman
1	3	Illustration of baby beside crib
1	4	Cover design for <i>Mark, Mark, Shut the Door</i>
1	5	Illustration of Mark and Dog for <i>Mark, Mark, Shut the Door</i>
1	6	Illustration for <i>Mark, Mark, Shut the Door</i>

Correspondence

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
1	7	Outgoing	1948-1973
1	8	Incoming	1947-1973
1	9	Young Readers. Box of letters	

Literary Manuscripts

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Book Length			
Box	Folder		
1	10	<i>Androcles and the Lion</i>	1970
1	11	<i>The Best Birthday</i> . Early Draft	1954
1	12	<i>The Best Birthday</i> . Partial Draft	1954
1	13-14	<i>The Best Birthday</i> . Carbon	1954
1	15	<i>The Best Birthday</i> Original	1954
1	16	<i>The Best Birthday</i> . Radio Version	1954
1	17	<i>Mountain Courage</i> . Early Draft and Notes	1957
1	18	<i>Mountain Courage</i>	1957
1	19	<i>Mountain Courage</i> . Incomplete	1957
1	20	<i>Quetzal Quest</i>	1939
1	21	<i>San Francisco Secret</i> . Early Draft	
1	22	<i>San Francisco Secret</i>	
1	23	<i>A Singing Wind</i>	
1	24	<i>Too Many Dogs</i> . Galley Proof	1946
Short Stories			
Box	Folder		
1	25	The Admirals Ruffles	
1	26	The Disappearing Ferry Boat	
1	27	Feed 'Em First	

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	28	'Fraidy Cat	
1	29	Graciously Living	
1	30	The King who Burned the Cakes	
1	31	Osbert	
1	32	Psychosomatic: Or What Ails my Car	
1	33	A Red Dress For Leap Year	
1	34	Summer Camps	
1	35	The Sword of Honor	

Articles

Box	Folder		
1	36	Books to Begin On	
1	37	Books to Grow On. <i>The Elementary English Review</i>	1936
1	38	Books for the Younger Child	
1	39	Children's Books Don't Grow on Trees	
1	40	Children's Literature. Early Drafts	1953
1	41	Children's Literature. Final Draft, Carbon	1953
1	42	A Model Library for Boys and Girls	1933
1	43	A Plan for co-operative Promotion of Trade Juveniles in California	

Musicals

Box	Folder		
1	44	Animal Cracker Suite: A Musical Play for Children	

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	45	Animal Cracker Suite. 2 Carbons	
1	46	Animal Cracker Suite. Earlier Script	
1	47	Animal Cracker Suite. Script and Carbons	
1	48	Animal Cracker Suite. Musical Scores	
Poems			
Box	Folder		
1	49	Poems	
Clippings			
Box	Folder		
1	50	Clippings	
1	51	Who Wants and Apple/Don't Run Apple	
1	52	The Aunt-Sitter	
1	53	The Best Birthday	
1	54	A Little Book of Prayers and Graces	
1	55	Mountain Courage	
1	56	A Puppy for Keeps/Who wants a Dog	
1	57	Quetzal Quest	
1	58	Pamphlets	1946-1950
1	59	Miscellaneous	1965-1967

Correspondence II

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
2	1	Outgoing	1943-1945
2	2	Incoming	1943-1945

Published Books

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
3	1	<i>Mountain Courage</i> . White Lion Edition	1974
3	2	<i>Mountain Courage</i> . World's Work Edition	1958
3	3	<i>Best in Children's Books</i> . Hawkins's <i>The Best Birthday</i>	1958
3	4	<i>Quetzal Quest</i> . Oxford Edition	1940
3	5	<i>Quetzal Quest</i> . Harcourt, Brace and Company	1939
3	6-7	<i>Mark, Mark, Shut the Door</i>	1947
3	8	<i>Don't Run Apple</i>	1944
3	9	<i>A Puppy for Keeps</i>	1943
3	10	<i>The Aunt-Sitter</i>	1958
4	1	<i>The Anthology of Animal Tales</i> . <i>Quetzal Quest</i> .	1946
4	2	<i>Dawn</i> . <i>Valley Song</i> . As Helena Hawkins	1925
4	3	<i>Perspectives in Reading</i> . <i>Children Books and Reading</i> . An Author Speaks: Quail Hawkins. "Bright is the Ring of Words"	1964
4	4	<i>Treasure of the Tortoise Islands</i> . Collins Edition	1942
4	5	<i>Treasure of the Tortoise Islands</i> . Harcourt Brace and Company	1940

Container(s)		Description	Dates
4	6	<i>Verirrt in den Rocky-Mountains.</i> (Mountain Courage)	1967
4	7	<i>Quetzal Quest.</i> Children's Oxford	1968

Addenda I

Container(s)		Description
Box	Folder	
5	1	Wooden notebook
5	2	Three illustrations
5	3	Miscellaneous
5	4	Review clippings
5	5	Photographs
5	6	Royalty statements and contracts
5	7	Reviews

Correspondence

Box	Folder	
5	8-9	From Children
5	10-15	Incoming
5	16-18	Outgoing
5	19	<i>Encyclopedia Britannica.</i> Article on children's literature

Manuscripts

Box	Folder	
5	20	<i>A Singing Wind</i>

Container(s)	Description
5 21	<i>Androcles and the Lion</i> . Galley
5 22	<i>Apple and Aunt Duck</i>
5 23	<i>A Puppy for Keeps</i>
5 24	<i>Friends of the Earth</i> . Manuscript And research information
5 25	<i>Don't Run</i>
5 26	<i>A Tale with no Moral</i>
5 27	<i>The Aunt Sitter</i>
5 28	<i>Who Wants and Apple</i>
5 29	<i>Dear Santa, A Christmas Play</i>
5 30	<i>Prayers</i>
5 31	<i>Building a Library for Your Boys and Girls</i>
5 32	Early poetry, essays and plays

Addenda II

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
6-7	Loose correspondence, both incoming and outgoing from various	
7	<i>Publisher's Weekly</i>	1952-1954
7	Box of newspaper articles, correspondence and manuscripts	
7	Aunt-Sitter	
7	Boola Boola	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
7	Loose manuscripts	
	Folder	
8	1	Tearsheets
8	1	Loose notes and materials
8	1	Scrapbook titled The Cat and Man
8	1	A large book of family ancestry
9	1	Loose newspaper articles
9	1	Scrapbook
9	1	Manuscripts
9	1	Photographs

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Children's literature, American--Authorship
 Children's literature, American--Illustrations
 Women authors, American--20th century

Personal Names :

Hawkins, Quail
 Hawkins, Quail--Correspondence

Form or Genre Terms :

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