

Dale Whitney papers, 1951-1999

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Whitney, Lois Dale, 1923-2003
Title	Dale Whitney papers
Dates	1951-1999 (inclusive) 1951 1999
Quantity	8 linear feet, (11 boxes)
Collection Number	WUA017
Summary	The Dale Whitney papers contain 35 mm negatives, photographic samples, test prints, and exhibition prints from Whitney's time as an overseas freelance photographer. Locations for these images include Austria, China, Greece, Italy, Korea, Oregon, and the Philippines. Also included is a collection of publications featuring Whitney's photography and reportage and her photographic equipment.
Repository	Willamette University Archives and Special Collections Archives and Special Collections Mark O. Hatfield Library 900 State Street Salem, OR 97301 Telephone: 503-370-6866 Fax: 503-370-6141 archives@willamette.edu
Access Restrictions	This collection is open to researchers.
Languages	English

Historical Note

Lois Dale Whitney was a self-taught photojournalist who worked around the world on assignments for the United Nations, the World Health Organization, the United Nations Atomic Energy Agency, and for many American and European publications.

Whitney was born in Chicago in 1923 and later attended the Art Institute of Chicago. She spent much of her career living and working in Europe. In Germany, while working as a radio writer for the US Army radio station, she "discovered how to take a prize-winning photograph." In less than two years she was exhibiting in Los Angeles and San Francisco.

Whitney's first big story, "5 Years Later: The Children of Hungary's Revolution," appeared in LOOK Magazine in 1961. Her story pictorially described the psychological problems of the children of Hungary's revolution. Assignments for Vogue, The Saturday Evening Post, LOOK, M.D. and a number of medical and educational journals followed that first success.

In 1979, after twenty-four years of living and working in Europe, Whitney moved to Corvallis, Oregon. In 1990 she moved to Salem, Oregon. Many of her photographs are part of the collections of the Hallie

Ford Museum of Art, The Portland Art Museum, Salem Public Library, and Salem Hospital. Whitney died of cancer on March 2, 2003.

Content Description

The Dale Whitney papers contain 35 mm negatives, photographic samples, test prints, and exhibition prints. A collection of publications featuring Whitney's photography and reportage along with several letters outlining photographic assignments is also included. Whitney's photographic assignments were geographically diverse, in that she took photographs in Austria, China, Greece, Italy, Korea, Oregon, and the Philippines. Also included are exhibition photographs and negatives along with her photographic equipment.

Use of the Collection

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Administrative Information

Arrangement

This collection is described and arranged in two series. Series I: Photographs and Series II: Publications. Materials in both series retain original order.

Location of Collection

Mark O. Hatfield Library

Related Materials

More of Dale Whitney's photographs can be viewed at the Hallie Ford Museum of Art.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Series I: Photographs, 1951-1999

This series contains photographic negatives, prints, and test prints.

This series has been arranged in the following subseries: Photographs by Geographic Location, Exhibition Photographs, and Photographic Equipment.

Container(s)	Description	Dates	
Subseries A: Photographs by Geographic Location		1951-1989	
Austria		1951-1989	
Box	Folder		
1	1	Film E-33 Negative 02 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Negative 02 described as "(Very Valuable Negative) Sunset on Water + reeds, Lake Area Salzburg Austria".	undated
1	2	Film E-33 Negative 02 oversized photographic samples	undated
1	3	Film 1 - Negative 30 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Negative 30 represents Sulyict Castle with moat and swan.	undated
1	4	E - 44 - Negative 27A-28 Contains 35 mm and 4 x 5 negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict scenes of nature taken near Salzburg, Austria.	undated
1	5	Film E-44 Negative 27 oversized photographic sample	undated
1	6	Exhibit Pictures 2 Films Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict children in costume. Children in photographs identified as "Gaby" and "Ingrid."	undated
1	7	Exhibit Pictures 2 Films oversized photographic samples	undated
1	8	Film E-46 Mountain Scenes	1978

Container(s)		Description	Dates
		Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples.	
1	9	E-46 Negative 11 oversized photographic sample	1978
1	10	Film E-3 Negative 16 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict scenes of nature.	undated
1	11	E-25 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. "Includes photographs of lilly pads."	undated
1	12	E-25 oversized photographic samples	undated
1	13	Film 15 - Hibiscus Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, photographic samples, and a matted print.	undated
1	14	Film E-15, E-26, E-28, E-33 oversized photographic samples Photographs depict scenes of nature.	undated
2	1	Austrian Lake Two Negatives Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples.	1975
2	2	Austrian Lake Two Negatives oversized photographic samples, test prints Contains two test prints and one page of samples.	undated
2	3	E-15 negative 06 and others Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photograph depicts wooded scene.	undated
2	4	Film E15 Negative 06 "Woods in Austria"	undated
2	5	E-15 oversized photographic samples	undated
2	6	E-40 negative 03 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict early spring in woods near Salzburg.	undated

Container(s)		Description	Dates
2	7	E-40 oversized photographic samples	undated
2	13	E-10 Negative 9A Austria Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict swan on lake near Salzburg.	undated
2	14	E-47 Negative 30 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict scene of mountains in Austria.	undated
2	15	E-45 Negative 17 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict mountains in Austria.	undated
2	16	E-11 Negative 11, 13 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict mountain scene and foreground meadow.	undated
2	17	Films 11 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict children picking flowers.	undated
2	18	E-12 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict landscapes near Salzburg, Austria.	undated
2	19	E-18 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict view from Whitney's home in Anif near Salzburg.	undated
2	20	E-9 Negatives 15, 16, 22 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photographs depict stream near Salzburg.	undated
3	1	Fashion Photograph This is the first fashion portrait taken by Dale Whitney. The back of the matting contains annotation on light-meter	1955

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	readings. Geographic location of this photograph has been assumed based upon Whitney's curriculum vitae.	
3 2	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees Assignment was to photograph a large family of Hungarian refugees.	1962
3 3	American Baby in Crib Contains 35 mm negatives and a photographic sample. Geographic location of this photograph has been assumed based upon Whitney's curriculum vitae.	1961
3 17	Hungarian Refugee Family in Austria Photograph is matted.	1962
3 18	Fashion Photograph Photograph is matted and annotated with technical specifics.	1964
6 1	Remembering Charlie Chaplain Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts storefront.	1986
6 2	Ingrid Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts child in costume.	1976
6 3	The White Violin Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts restaurant.	1986
6 4	The Little Shoe Cobbler Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts figurine.	1986
6 5	Antique Glass Oversized matted photograph.	1986
6 6	Where is my Cat Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts farmhouse.	1978
6 7	Gaby Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts child in costume.	1977

Container(s)		Description	Dates
6	8	Souvenir Shop Oversized matted photograph.	1989
7	1	Austria: Vienna and countryside Exhibition placard.	undated
7	2	Austria Schloss Anif Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts castle.	circa 1974
7	3	Window with a View Oversized matted photograph.	1986
7	4	A Very Sad Day Oversized matted photograph. Photograph depicts frowning figure in window.	1986
7	3	School children display their artwork in Vienna, Austria Oversized matted photograph.	1989
8	2	Photographic Negatives Photographs depict man reading newspaper and chimney- sweeper inside of a chimney.	1951-1960
		China	1963
Box	Folder		
7	7	Starvation Oversized black and white photograph. Photographed in Macau near mainland of China.	1963
		Greece	undated
Box	Folder		
2	11	Olive Grove in Southern Greece Slide G-106	undated
3	13	Photograph of old man with umbrellas Photograph is mounted on foam core board and includes hanging instructions.	undated
3	14	Photograph of old man with umbrellas	undated

Container(s)		Description	Dates
		Hawaii	1988
Box	Folder		
11	31	Maui, Hawaii Film 5634 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	32	Maui, Hawaii Film 5635 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	33	Maui, Hawaii Film 5636 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	34	Maui, Hawaii Film 5637 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	35	Maui, Hawaii Film 5638 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	36	Maui, Hawaii Film 5639 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	37	Maui, Hawaii Film 5640 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	38	Maui, Hawaii Film 5641 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
11	39	Maui, Hawaii Film 5642 Folder includes photographs, contact sheet, and negatives.	undated
		Italy	1977
Box	Folder		
2	8	E-37 negative 30	1977

Container(s)		Description	Dates
		Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photograph depicts mountains named "The Three Sins" in Cortina, Italy.	
2	9	E-32, E-37 oversized photographic samples.	1977
2	10	Lake Scene in Italy Slide I.T. 102	undated
2	12	Second Lake Scene in Italy Slide I.t. 101 Contains 35 mm negatives, contact sheet, and photographic samples. Photograph depicts wooded scene.	undated
		Korea	1963
Box	Folder		
3	4	Photograph 10 W.U. Photograph shows information concerning medical treatment for leprosy being given to local villagers by Public Health doctors.	1963
3	5	Photograph 11 W.U. Photograph shows information concerning medical treatment for leprosy being given to local villagers by Public Health doctors. The message posted on the board states in English: "Leprosy can be cured but the remedy is toxic and must be taken in proper dosage. Self treatment is dangerous."	1963
3	6	Photograph 8 W.U. Korean public health doctors and a WHO official arriving to examine school children in a village south of Seoul.	1963
3	7	Photograph 7 W.U. Photograph of child with leprosy hugging her goat.	1963
3	8	Photograph 6 W.U. Photograph of child with leprosy eating alone.	1963
3	9	Photograph 5 W.U. Photograph shows a Korean doctor explaining to a child's parents that she is in the beginning stage of leprosy.	1963
3	10	Photograph 9 W.U.	1963

Container(s)		Description	Dates
		Photograph shows information concerning medical treatment for leprosy being given to local villagers by Public Health doctors.	
3	15	Photograph of child with leprosy	1963
3	16	Photograph of child with leprosy and parent	1963
7	5	Korea...rice paddies--en route to Leprosy Colony Oversized black and white photograph.	1963
7	6	Village scene, South Korea Oversized black and white photograph.	1963
		Oregon	1981-1985
Box	Folder		
11	1	I-2040-C Folder includes note: Alsea Highway Heceta Point.	1982 July
11	2	2-656-L Folder includes note: Alsea Hy Wild Iris.	1982
11	3	3-476-C Folder includes note: Alsea Highway, Avery Park Rhodes	1982
11	4	4-368-L. Folder includes note: Coast North of Lincoln City, In route to Silverton, Corvallis Barn, Oregon Woods.	1982
11	5	5-2275-C Folder includes note: Heceta Point, Triangle Lake, Coast direction Florence.	1982
11	6	6-2468-L Folder includes note: Heceta Point, Oregon Coast, Corvallis - Walnut Blvd.	1982 August
11	7	7-738-C Folder includes note: Dog in Jeep Corvallis, Alsea Highway, Dunes Florence, Heceta Lighthouse, Dam in route to Waldo Lake.	1982 August - 1982 September

Container(s)		Description	Dates
11	8	8-988-C Folder includes note: Crater Lake, Waldo Lake, Mt. Hood.	1982 August - 1982 September
11	9	9-737-L Folder includes note: Crater Lake, Dunes - Florence, Barn - Alsea Highway.	1982 August - 1982 September
11	10	10-445L Folder includes note: Crater Lake.	1982 September
11	11	11-736-C Folder includes note: Crater Lake.	1982 September
11	12	12-430-C Folder includes note: Waldo Lake, Trying New Star Filter, Monet Effect - Sundeck, Mary's Peak in Oct 82.	1982 September - 1982 October
11	13	13-48403-C and 13-48490-C Folder includes note: Possibly Best of Heceta Lighthouse, Cascades - near Mary's Peak, Up Mary's Peak.	1984
11	14	14-C-9818 and 14-C-9790 Folder includes note: Leavenworth Washington, Fall Colors, Columbia River.	1983 October
11	15	15 987-C Folder includes note: Mt. Hood, Columbia River.	1982 September
11	16	16 C-84135 Folder includes note: Alsea Highway - Barn (Exhibit), Audubon Bird Trip, Flowers in my Garden, Barn Sloping Roof.	1985
11	17	19-798-C Folder includes note: Ingrid Mesninger, Barn - Finley Bird Refuge, Philomath - Rooftops.	1982
11	18	20-926 Folder includes note: Heavens from Walnut Blvd., Woods behind house.	circa 1982
11	19	27 Misc. 745 - 632 Folder includes note: Alsea River 67149, Various Star Filter Water, 632 Triangle Lake.	undated

Container(s)		Description	Dates
11	20	28 675 Leica Folder includes note: Oregon Field Burning, Mary's Peak.	1981
11	21	29 3732-C Folder includes note: Butterfly garden + tree frog photos in my garden Lake (Devil) by Lincoln City.	1985
11	22	Kah#s 01/02/03 (Kahneeta) Folder includes note: Smith Rock - Mary's Peak - Kahneetah 3 films.	1982
11	23	Sisters-Oregon Films S-1 + S-2	undated
Subseries 2: Exhibition Photographs			1986-1999
Box	Folder		
11	24	Exhibit Negatives Contains negatives and contact prints from Vienna and Austria, Thailand, California, Italy, and Greece.	1986-1989
11	25	All Exhibit Negatives from Maui, Hawaii Contains negatives as well as the note: "Gorgeous Flowers, Wild Wave - Ocean, Ocean Beaches - Mountain Scenes."	undated
11	26	Vancouver Island - B.C. Contains contact prints, photographs, and negatives as well as the note: Butchat Gardens.	undated
11	27	Exhibit photos and negatives Contains negatives as well as the note: "Canada - Alberta Banff to Lake Louise, Banff to Jasper. Printed by Photo Art - Portland."	1999
11	28	Oregon - Package I Exhibit Negatives Contains negatives as well as the note: "Coast, Crater Lake, Lakes, Rivers - Columbia Leavenworth - Wash - Fall Colors - all magnificent scenery".	undated
11	29	Package 2 Oregon Exhibit Negatives Contains photographs and negatives as well as the note: "Inc. "Boy Fishing on Alsea River" (One of my best color photos)".	undated

Container(s)		Description	Dates
11	30	Oregon - 1996 etc. Contains photographs and negatives as well as the note: "1) Exhibit Roses - Single + Garden, 2) Sisters."	1996
11	31	Maui, Hawaii Film 5634 Contains negatives as well as the note: "Gorgeous Flowers, Wild Wave - Ocean, Ocean Beaches - Mountain Scenes."	1988
11	32	Maui, Hawaii Film 5635 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	33	Maui, Hawaii Film 5636 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	34	Maui, Hawaii Film 5637 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	35	Maui, Hawaii Film 5638 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	36	Maui, Hawaii Film 5639 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	37	Maui, Hawaii Film 5640 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	38	Maui, Hawaii Film 5641 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	39	Maui, Hawaii Film 5642 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
11	40	Maui, Hawaii Film 6519 Contains negatives and contact prints.	1988
Subseries 3: Photographic Equipment			1954-1963
Box	Object		
10	1	Rolleiflex Camera	1954
10	2	Weston Light Meter	1963

Container(s)		Description	Dates
10	3	Sunshade for Rolleiflex Camera	1954
10	4	Accordion Camera and Tripod	undated

Series II: Publications, 1955-1998

This series contains the published works of Whitney, including magazine articles, photo stories, and exhibits. Also included are several letters from publishers outlining photographic assignments for Whitney to complete.

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
3	11	Stern Cover photograph credited to Dale Whitney.	1962 August 26
3	12	Frankfurter Illustrierte Cover photograph credited to Dale Whitney.	1962 July 15
4	1	Photograph captions and accompanying text Contains text and captions for Whitney's "Children of the Sun" exhibit.	1998 May 5
4	2	Gazette-Times, Corvallis, Oregon Contains article about Whitney's photography.	1979 September 5
4	3	The Oregonian, Portland, Oregon Contains article about Whitney's photography.	1980 March 21
4	4	LOOK Magazine Contains article produced and photographed by Whitney.	1961 October 10
4	5	Technical Information for Black/White Photographs Envelope name does not match contents.	1998 May
4	6	Empty Envelopes These envelopes refer to photographs taken by Whitney that are currently held by the Hallie Ford Museum of Art. To view these photographs please contact Hallie Ford Museum of Art.	undated
5	1	Dale	1975-1989

Container(s)	Description	Dates
	This folder contains installation instructions for an exhibit of Whitney's photography.	
5 2	Look Magazine Story Exhibit This folder contains exhibition information, including captions, for Whitney's Look Magazine story "5 Years Later: The Children of Hungary's Revolution."	undated
5 3	Look Magazine Picture Print of photograph number 17 of Look Magazine Story.	1961
5 4	LOOK Magazine	1961 October 10
5 5	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 6	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 7	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 8	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 9	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 10	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 11	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 12	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 13	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 14	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 15	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
5 16	LOOK Magazine exhibition photographs	1975-1989
7 4	The Outcast from the Community: A Special Case Reprinted from World Health.	undated
8 1	Negatives for the..."Look Magazine Story"	1961
8 3	Correspondence with Roger Hull	1998

Container(s)	Description	Dates
8 4	The Rotarian Includes copies of The Rotarian magazine, November 1965 as well as prints of photographs published in that edition.	1965 November
8 5	Curriculum Vitae	undated
8 6	The Rangefinder	1963 May
8 7	Medical Newsmagazine Whitney's article titled "Midwifery...Magic to Modern".	1965 May
8 8	Publicity - Various newspaper articles	1963-1995
8 9	Dale Whitney: Includes Photographs of Photographer and Newspaper etc. Articles re: Exhibits	1955-1964
8 10	Resale of the Look Magazine Story	1962
8 11	Original Letters	1960-1998
8 12	Original Letters	1960-1998
8 13	Photographs and stories for children's magazines Children's publications include Trailblazer and Venture.	1960-1970
8 14	Foothill Focus	1956
8 15	Good Housekeeping	1958 May
8 16	International Atomic Energy Bulletin	1964 April
8 17	Le Monde et la Croix-Rouge	1965
9 1	UNCHR Reports	1962-1964
9 2	Revue	1961 December
9 3	Going Places	1965-1966
9 4	Saturday Evening Post	1967 February 25

Container(s)		Description	Dates
9	5	The Stars and Stripes	1960 May 18
9	6	Children of the Sun	undated
9	7	World Health Magazine	1965 May
9	8	Roche Medical Image	1965
9	9	New York News	1963
9	10	Presbyterian Life	1963
9	11	Vogue	1965
9	12	Das Tier	1969

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Fine Arts

Corporate Names :

World Health Organization

Geographical Names :

Austria

China

Greece

Italy

Oregon

Philippines

South Korea (nation)

Form or Genre Terms :

black-and-white negatives

black-and-white photographs

color negatives

color photographs

journalistic photography

photographic prints

Occupations :

photographers

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