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Guide to the

## **Elizabeth Fox manuscript material**

ca. 1794-1803

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### **Summary**

**Creator:** Fox, Elizabeth, 1750-1842

**Title:** Elizabeth Fox manuscript material

**Date:** ca. 1794-1803

**Size:** 12 items

**Abstract:** Elizabeth Bridget Armitstead [née Cane; married name Fox], English courtesan. She was involved with several powerful men, including the Prince of Wales (later George III), before marrying politician Charles James Fox in 1795. To a General De Grave : 12 autograph letters signed : ca. 1794 - 15 Jun 1803 : (MISC 0532-0543) : in a friendly, familiar tone on various subjects, including: the introduction of young artist W. Fearnside ; a request for him to buy her a shawl ; and statements against the Napoleonic Wars. The first six letters are addressed to "Monsieur De Grave," five with no location, one to Woodstock and Oxford Streets in London. The later six letters are addressed to "General De Grave" in Paris. The recipient is possibly Pierre Marie, Marquis de Grave (1755-1825), who briefly served as the French Minister of War during the Revolution.

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### **Scope and Content Note**

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## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Courtesans -- Great Britain -- 18th century -- Correspondence

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### **Titles**

Fox, Elizabeth : manuscript material

### **Names**

Fox, Charles James, 1749-1806

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