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Guide to the

Gotham Book Mart records

1938-1948

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Summary

Creator: Gotham Book Mart

Title: Gotham Book Mart records

Date: 1938-1948

Size: 185 items

Source: This is a synthetic collection, created from materials acquired through gift and purchase from various sources.

Abstract: This is a synthetic collection consisting of typescripts, correspondence, a scrapbook, and a photograph of attendees at a reception for Sir Osbert and Edith Sitwell in 1948.

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Creator History

Gotham Book Mart is a New York City bookstore and gallery, founded in 1920 by Frances Steloff.

Custodial History

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Scope and Content Note

This is a synthetic collection consisting of typescripts, correspondence, a scrapbook, and a photograph of attendees at a reception for Sir Osbert and Edith Sitwell in 1948. The typescripts include contributions submitted by various authors for publication in the Gotham Book Mart Catalog, no. 42, "We Moderns," published in 1940, as well as a list of the authors to be included in the catalog. The correspondence includes letters from various individuals and institutions, dated 1940, to Frances Steloff, ordering copies of "We Moderns." The scrapbook, compiled by Steloff, consists of invitations, correspondence, photographs, etc. relating to the May 4, 1938, publication party for "Finnegans Wake," by James Joyce.

Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Correspondence

Scrapbooks

Names

Gotham Book Mart

Joyce, James, 1882-1941

Steloff, Frances, 1887-1989

Container List

Typescripts

- Manuscript box (Gotham) [We Moderns] List of authors to be included in forthcoming moderns only catalog no. 42. Typescript n.d. (2 p) (2 p)
- Manuscript box (Gotham) We Moderns. Holograph and typewritten contributions submitted by various authors for publication in Gotham Book Mart catalog no. 42. Catalog compiled by F. Steloff n.d. (112 folders) (112 folders)
Many contributions accompanied by correspondence; some not published. Also reactions by various individuals to catalog. Detailed list of contents in folder 1; with 11 misc. items
Published, New York, 1940
- Manuscript box (Gotham) In: Gotham Book Mart, New York. We Moderns. Folder 30 Aldington, Richard. Typescript of contribution to We Moderns n.d. (1 p) (1 p)
Published in Gotham Book Mart catalog no. 42, New York, 1940

Scrapbooks

- Manuscript box (Gotham) [dead come to life at Finnegans wake, The] Scrapbook of invitations, correspondence, photographs, etc. relating to the May 4, 1938 publication party for Finnegans wake by J. Joyce. Compiled by F. Steloff 1938 (61 items in 1 volume) (61 items in 1 volume)
Includes letters from Sara Allgood, Richard Eberhart, Clifton Fadiman, Arthur D. Ficke, Peter Neagoe and Lucie Noel

Correspondence

- Manuscript box (Gotham) [We Moderns] Letters, ALS, TLS, etc., not separately listed, to Frances Steloff ordering copies of We Moderns, Gotham Book mart catalog no. 42, New York, 1940 n.d. (9 folders) (9 folders)

Portraits

- Manuscript box (Auden) Life magazine, New York. Photograph of a Gotham Book Mart reception for Sir Osbert and Edith Sitwell. 12 x 25 cm. Mutilated. In photo are: W. H. Auden, E. Bishop, M. Moore, R. Jarrell, D. Schwartz, C. H. Ford, W. R. Benet, S. Spender, etc. 1948 Nov. 9 (1 item) (1 item)