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Guide to the

Jane Dransfield papers

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Summary

Creator: Dransfield, Jane, 1875-

Title: Jane Dransfield papers

Date: 1917-1945 [bulk 1920-1941]

Source: Gift of Joseph Mansfield; transferred from NYPL Theatre Division, October 23, 1959; March 17, 1961; February, 1962

Abstract: Collection consists of correspondence, lecture notes and printed matter relating to Dransfield's career as a writer and lecturer. Correspondence is with actors, authors, stage directors and producers, theatre groups, publishers, and literary agents. Printed matter includes programs, brochures and ephemera.

Access: Advance notice required.

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Creator History

Jane Dransfield (1875-1957) was a playwright and lecturer on the theater. Her plays included *The Lost Pleiad*, *Blood O' Kings*, *Joe*, *The Romance of Melrose Hall*, and *The White Window*. A book of her poetry, *Marks Upon a Stone*, was published in 1940. Dransfield also wrote theater reviews and was active in several literary societies. At one point she served as an officer on the Drama Committee for the Poetry Society of America.

Scope and Content Note

This collection includes correspondence with authors, producers, theater groups, and literary agents, lecture notes, programs, promotional brochures, and ephemera relating to Dransfield's career as a

writer and lecturer. Dransfield corresponded with George Arliss, David Belasco, Gustav Blum, James Decker, Ford Madox Ford, Theresa Helburn, Edna St. Vincent Millay, Harriet Monroe, Edwin Milton Royle, Georgia O'Keeffe, Faith Van Valkenburgh Vilas, Stuart Walker, and Stark Young.

Key Terms

Subjects

American drama
Theater -- United States

Occupations

Authors
Lecturers

Names

Dransfield, Jane, 1875-
Arliss, George, 1868-1946
Belasco, David, 1853-1931
Blum, Gustav
Decker, James A.
Ford, Ford Madox, 1873-1939
Helburn, Theresa
Millay, Edna St. Vincent, 1892-1950
Monroe, Harriet, 1860-1936
Royle, Edwin Milton, 1862-1942
Vilas, Faith Van Valkenburgh
Walker, Stuart, 1888-1941
Young, Stark, 1881-1963

Container List

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