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Manuscripts, Archives and Rare Books Division

Guide to the

Ruby Sheppard Davis scrapbooks

1948-1978

Sc MG 517

Summary

Creator: Davis, Ruby Sheppard

Title: Ruby Sheppard Davis scrapbooks

Date: 1948-1978

Size: .4 linear feet

Source: Gift, Davis, Ruby S, 1978

Abstract: Actress, singer, poet, playwright. Private secretary to actor Leigh Whipper. Davis' scrapbooks include news clippings relating to Davis' career as a performer; and plays, fables, poems, jokes and gags written by Davis. Also, musical compositions consisting of photocopies of music, 1948-1974; and a scrapbook about Leigh Whipper containing news clippings and other printed material, 1978.

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Creator History

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Key Terms

Subjects

African American actors
African American entertainers
African Americans in the performing arts

Occupations

African American actresses
African American dramatists
African American singers
African American women poets

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Poems
Scrapbooks

Names

Davis, Ruby Sheppard
Whipper, Leigh R. (Leigh Rollin), 1877-1975