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Guide to the

**Mildred Stock Research collection**

1940-1975

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## Summary

**Creator:** Stock, Mildred

**Title:** Mildred Stock Research collection

**Date:** 1940-1975

**Size:** 5.9 linear feet

**Abstract:** Mildred Stock (1902-ca.1980) was a writer and researcher, best known for the work, "Ira Aldridge: The Negro Tragedian", which she co-authored with Herbert Marshall. The Mildred Stock Research Collection consists of research files concerning Stock's studies of African-American and European stage actors, slavery and other subjects. The bulk of the collection is comprised of research files and correspondence relating to the book she co-authored with Herbert Marshall, "Ira Aldridge: The Negro Tragedian." Included is correspondence, manuscript drafts, notes and clippings pertaining to her research on Aldridge, Thomas Greene Bethune a.k.a. "Blind Tom," Toussaint Louverture, Paul Cuffe, and fugitive slaves (e.g., Henry "Box" Brown, William and Ellen Craft, Venture Smith and others). Other topics of her research were the nineteenth century Irish actor, Tyrone Power, and Victoria Woodhull, the nineteenth century women's rights advocate. Musical scores composed by Blind Tom can be found in the collection. Stock also prepared draft manuscripts for baby books aimed at African American, Asian Indian and general audiences. Some personal papers are also included.

**Access:** Advance notice required.

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## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

African American actors  
African American composers  
African Americans -- Music  
Baby books  
Fugitive slaves -- United States  
Sheet music  
Slavery -- United States

### **Names**

Stock, Mildred  
Aldridge, Ira Frederick, -1867  
Blind Tom, 1849-1908  
Brown, E. T., 1818-1879  
Craft, Ellen  
Craft, William  
Marshall, Herbert, 1906-1991  
Power, Tyrone, 1797-1841  
Smith, Venture, 1729?-1805  
Toussaint Louverture, 1743-1803  
Woodhull, Victoria C., (Victoria Clafin), 1838-1927