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## **Papers about Diana Forbes-Robertson and Vincent Sheean**

1985-1988

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### **Summary**

**Creator:** Eppes, William D

**Title:** Papers about Diana Forbes-Robertson and Vincent Sheean

**Date:** 1985-1988

**Size:** .21 linear feet. (1 box), 28 cm

**Abstract:** Diana Forbes-Robertson (1915-1987), was the daughter of the actors Sir Johnston Forbes-Robertson and Lady Gertrude Forbes-Robertson, as well as the niece of actress Maxine Elliot, about whom she wrote MY AUNT MAXINE. In 1935, Diana married the journalist and author Vincent Sheean (1899-1975), whose autobiography PERSONAL HISTORY was published that year. The William D. Eppes papers consist of Mr. Eppes' correspondence with Diana Forbes-Robertson, his correspondence with Mimi Keller, editor/publisher of the periodical PUG TALK, to whom he submitted a piece about Ms. Forbes-Robertson's pug dog Bill, a brief memoir by Mr. Eppes about his meeting with Ms. Forbes-Robertson in 1985, brief biographical pieces about Ms. Forbes-Robertson and her husband, Vincent Sheean, and also a letter from actor Keith Baxter about the 1988 murder of actor George Rose.

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## **Key Terms**

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Correspondence

### **Subjects**

Theater

### **Names**

Eppes, William D

Sheean, Diana Forbes-Robertson

Sheean, Vincent, 1899-1975