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Abstract:	<p>Spoken word pioneers The Original Last Poets (Gylan Kain, David Nelson, Felipe Luciano) wrote and starred in the 1971 film "Right On!" The film was directed by Herbert Danska, and was produced by Woodie King, Jr. Much of the film was shot entirely on a rooftop in Harlem, where each poet, accompanied by drummers, incant their poetry for nearly 80 minutes. "Right On!" explores various themes including racism, conservatives, intellectuals and the Black Power Movement.</p> <p>The collection contains poetry from the film, contracts, newspaper ad layouts, advertisements, press releases, a press kit, foreign correspondence regarding theater inquiries, national and international reviews of the film, and articles about the cast members.</p>
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