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Guide to the

Winona Fletcher collection of American Theatre Association records

1961-1985

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Summary

Creator: Fletcher, Winona L.

Title: Winona Fletcher collection of American Theatre Association records

Date: 1961-1985

Size: 3.15 linear feet (8 boxes)

Source: Donated by Winona L. Fletcher, 1996.

Abstract: Winona Fletcher was a member of the University and College Theatre Association (UCTA), a division of the American Theatre Association (ATA). She served as UCTA president from 1979 to 1980. The Winona Fletcher collection of American Theatre Association records dates from 1961 to 1985 and contains correspondence, reports, meeting minutes, conference programs, and other records of the ATA and the UCTA.

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Creator History

The American Theatre Association (ATA) was founded in 1936 as the American Educational Theatre Association; the name was changed in 1972 when the organization was restructured. The group promoted theater and theater education, with emphasis on children's theater, theater in secondary schools and colleges, and community theater. The ATA was dissolved in 1986.

Winona Lee Fletcher was a professor of theater and African American studies at Indiana University Bloomington from 1978 until her retirement in 1994. Previously, she had taught theater at Kentucky State College. She was a member of the University and College Theatre Association (UCTA), a division of the ATA. Fletcher served as UCTA executive vice-president from 1978 to 1979, and as president from

1979 to 1980.

Scope and Content Note

The Winona Fletcher collection of American Theatre Association records date from 1961 to 1985. The records chiefly document the activities of the University and College Theatre Association from 1975 to 1985. UCTA records consist of programs and planning documents for the American College Theatre Festival from 1978 to 1980; minutes and meeting packets for meetings of the executive committee and governing board from 1976 to 1981; reports from the governing board; material for the UCTA handbook; and correspondence and reports regarding UCTA programs. General American Theatre Association records include correspondence, minutes from board meetings, conference programs, budget information, and membership directories. Fletcher served as ATA representative on the United States National Commission for UNESCO; related records consist of correspondence and reports, mostly issued by the UNESCO commission, dating from 1981 to 1984.

Arrangement: Material is arranged alphabetically by subject. General administrative records of the American Theatre Association are interfiled with University and College Theatre Association records.

Key Terms

Names

American Educational Theatre Association
University and College Theatre Association (U.S.)

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