

Guide to the Carol M. Franz Letters BC20.57

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Summary Information

Repository:	Barnard Archives and Special Collections
Title:	Carol M. Franz Letters
ID:	BC20.57
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Date [inclusive]:	1936-1996
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Physical Description:	1.3 Linear Feet 3 document boxes
Physical Location:	This collection is located in the Barnard Archives and Special Collections, Barnard Library. To use this collection, please contact the Barnard Archives and Special Collections at 212.854.4079 or archives@barnard.edu.
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	Letters and memorabilia of Carol M. Franz '36, mainly from her service with the American Red Cross and U.S. State Department in Europe during World War II and shortly after the war.

Preferred Citation

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Biography

Carol Franz was born in Brooklyn, New York, to Matilda and Joseph Franz. She received a B.A. in Fine Arts and English from Barnard College in 1936, and completed work towards a Master's in Education from New York University. During World War II, Franz was attached to the Army Corps Ambulance Unit of the American Red Cross; she also worked in England, Scotland, France, and Germany with the 57th Field Hospital. She was sent to Nancy, France, during the

Battle of the Bulge. After the war, she worked for the U.S. State Department at the American Consulate in Germany, processing displaced persons in the Funk Kaserne Visa Station.

Apart from her work in the American Red Cross and the State Department, Franz also worked for the New York Public Library and the American Association of University Presses. She died in August 2008.

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Collection Scope and Content Summary

This collection contains 112 letters from May 1944 to January 1952, written by Carol M. Franz during her service in the American Red Cross and the U.S. State Department during and after World War II. Also included are Red Cross ephemera, brochures, memorabilia, and Franz's resumes and other materials documenting her professional life following the war.

Users should be aware that Box 3, folder 10 includes graphic photographs, including photographs of bodies.

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Collection Arrangement

Collection is arranged chronologically, with original letters and typed transcriptions filed together, as received from the donor.

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Administrative Information

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Acquisition Information

Donated by Carolyn S. Drescher (niece of Carol M. Franz).

Accruals

Accruals are not expected.

Processing History

This collection was processed and the finding aid written by Eve Glazier and Martha Tenney in 2023. Carolyn S. Drescher created transcripts for the letters and organized them prior to their arrival at Barnard. Descriptive Rules Used: Finding aid adheres to that prescribed by Describing Archives: A Content Standard. Finding aid written in English.

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Controlled Access Headings

- World War, 1939-1945
- Red Cross and Red Crescent
- War
- Letters
- United States. Department of State

- Refugees