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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Benkovitz, Miriam J.
Title:	Miriam J. Benkovitz papers
ID:	4078540
ID:	MS#0101
Date [inclusive]:	1954-1986
Physical Description:	13.5 linear feet 32 boxes
Language of the Material:	English .
Abstract:	This collection contains correspondence, manuscripts, notes, notebooks, photographs, microfilm, and printed materials relating to Miriam J. Benkovitz, professor of English, Skidmore College.

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Miriam J. Benkovitz papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical sketch

Miriam J. Benkovitz, professor of English, Skidmore College, and author. She collected books avidly, specializing in turn-of-the-century literature.

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Scope and Content

Correspondence, manuscripts, notes, notebooks, photographs, microfilm, and printed materials relating to Benkovitz's scholarly activities, including her biographies of Aubrey Beardsley, Ronald Firbank and Frederick Rolfe (Baron Corvo), her bibliography of Firbank, as well as two books of Richard Aldington's correspondence which she edited, and numerous articles. Her correspondence is both personal and professional. The manuscripts are in various stages of completion, and include Benkovitz's many annotations and corrections. For the Aldington and Corvo notes, there are typescript copies of letters with extensive notes by Benkovitz. There are both personal photographs and photographs intended to illustrate her books.

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Arrangement

Box 1: Arranged correspondence A-Z; Boxes 2-6: Richard Aldington; Boxes 7-10: Aubrey Beardsley Biography; Boxes 11-16: Baron Corvo Biography; Boxes 17-19: Ronald Firbank Bibliography; Box 20: Ronald Firbank Bibliography Supplement and 2nd Edition; Boxes 21-26: Ronald Firbank Biography; Boxes 27-29: Lord Ronald Gower Biography (unpublished); Boxes 30-31: Miscellaneous Articles; Box 32: Miscellaneous photographs, microfilm, and printed matter.

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Source of acquisition--Feinberg, Miriam J. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--05/18/87. Accession number--M-87-05-18.

Ownership and Custodial History

Gift of Miriam J. Feinberg, 1987.

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Accruals

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Controlled Access Headings

- Authors, English -- 20th century -- Biography

- Correspondence
- Photographic prints
- Biographers
- College teachers
- Aldington, Richard, 1892-1962
- Beardsley, Aubrey, 1872-1898
- Firbank, Ronald, 1886-1926
- Rolfe, Frederick, 1860-1913

Collection Inventory

Series I: Miriam J. Benkovitz Papers, 1954-1986	
Title/Description	Instances
Correspondence A-Z.	
A	box 1
B	box 1
Bird, Alan	box 1
C	box 1
Clodd, Alan	box 1
D	box 1
F	box 1
G	box 1
H	box 1
K	box 1
L	box 1
Lambert, Jean	box 1
M	box 1
N-P	box 1
R	box 1
S	box 1
Sims, George and Beryl	box 1
T	box 1
Trevelyan, Raleigh	box 1
U-W	box 1

Weeks, Donald	box 1	
unidentified correspondence	box 1	
Richard Aldington		
Correspondence		
not dated	box 2	
1963-65	box 2	
1967-71	box 2	
1974	box 2	
1976-78	box 2	
1980-86	box 2	
Norman Gates correspondence	box 2	
Manuscripts--Drafts		
Introduction to <i>A Passionate Prodigality</i>	box 3	
Introduction to <i>Selected Letters of Richard Aldington</i>	box 3	
<i>Selected Letters of Richard Aldington</i>	box 3	
Bibliographical Glossary for <i>Selected Letters of Richard Aldington</i>	box 3	
Index and Bibliographical Glossary for <i>Selected Letters of Richard Aldington</i>	box 3	
Notes		
Notes	box 4	
Typed copies of Aldington's correspondence with MJB's notes (Folders 1-8)	box 5	folder 1 to 8
Typed copies of Aldington's correspondence with MJB's notes (Folders 9-16)	box 6	folder 9 to 16
Negatives	box 6	
Aubrey Beardsley Biography		
Correspondence and Manuscripts		
Correspondence		
1961	box 7	
1977-1981	box 7	
Drafts (Folders 1-3)	box 7	folder 1 to 3
Manuscripts		
Drafts (Folders 4-7)	box 8	folder 4 to 7

Typescripts	box 8	
Galleys Photographs, Photocopied Material	box 9	
Notes.	box 10	
Baron Corvo Biography		
Correspondence and Manuscripts		
Correspondence		
1969-86	box 11	
Drafts		
Folders 1-2	box 11	folder 1 to 2
Forward	box 11	
Introduction	box 11	
Venetian Letterbook Section	box 11	
Endnotes	box 11	
Manuscripts		
Drafts		
complete	box 12	
pp. 1-306	box 12	
pp. 307-end	box 13	
Proofs and Notes		
Proofs	box 13	
Notes	box 13	
Notes		
Copies of Corvo's correspondence with MJB's notes	box 13	
Copies of Corvo's correspondence with MJB's notes	box 14	
Typed copies of Corvo's correspondence from his letter book with MJB's Notes	box 14	
Notes	box 15	
Notes	box 16	
Printed Materials, Negatives and Microfilm	box 16	
Ronald Firbank Bibliography		
Correspondence		
not dated	box 17	
1954		

	box 17	
1958-63	box 17	
Stuart Rose correspondence	box 17	
Drafts Galleys and Proofs		
Drafts (Folder 1)	box 17	folder 1
Drafts (Folders 2-4)	box 18	folder 2 to 4
Galleys	box 18	
Proofs	box 18	
Notes	box 19	
Ronald Firbank Bibliography Supplement and Ronald Firbank Bibliography, 2nd. Edition	box 20	
Ronald Firbank Bibliography Supplement:		
Correspondence		
1974-79	box 20	
Drafts (Folders 1-2)	box 20	folder 1 to 2
Proofs	box 20	
Ronald Firbank Bibliography, 2nd. Edition:		
Correspondence		
1978-82	box 20	
Drafts (Folders 1-5)	box 20	folder 1 to 5
Proofs	box 20	
Printed and Photocopied Material	box 20	
Marked copy of 1st. Edition	box 20	
Ronald Firbank Biography		
Correspondence		
not dated	box 21	
1963-77	box 21	
Letters of congratulations, April 1969-March 1972	box 21	
Manuscripts		
Drafts (Folders 1-3)	box 22	folder 1 to 3
Drafts (Folders 4-5)	box 23	folder 4 to 5
Drafts, Galleys, Proofs and Notes	box 24	
Notes	box 25	

Notes, Negatives and Clippings	box 26	
Lord Roland Gower Biography (Unpublished)		
Correspondence and Manuscripts		
Correspondence		
not dated	box 27	
1965-78	box 27	
1982-86	box 27	
Drafts (Folders 1-3)	box 27	folder 1 to 3
Notes	box 28	
Photocopied Material and Microfilm		
Photocopied Material		
<i>My Reminiscences</i> vols. 1, 2 by Gower	box 29	
<i>Old Diaries</i> , by Gower	box 29	
Microfilm		
Diary of the Duchess of Sutherland, 1864	box 29	
Diary of Lord Gower, 1903-05	box 29	
Misc. Articles		
Correspondence, Drafts and Related Materials (Folders 1-2)	box 30	folder 1 to 2
Correspondence, Drafts and Related Materials (Folders 3-5)	box 31	folder 3 to 5
Miscellaneous		
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