

Finding Aid - Victoria Henry fonds (157)

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Summary information

Title:	Victoria Henry fonds
Reference code:	157
Date:	1966-1971 (creation)
Physical description:	57 photographs: colour and black and white 1 booklet (99 pages) 60 textual records (newspaper clippings)
Language:	English
Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	Described by Eavan McNeil, January 2025

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Victoria Henry grew up in Burlington, Ontario and studied Fine Arts at the University of Toronto. She lived with her husband and three children in Lusaka, Zambia from 1972 to 1975, during which she began to collect African art in earnest. Leaving Africa in 1975, Henry began the Ufundi Gallery, specializing in Makonde and other African art. Henry continued making regular trips to Africa, India, and China to buy work until the gallery closed in 1992.

Scope and content

This fonds includes items collected by Victoria Henry while she lived in Africa and traveled to Papua New Guinea. The fonds contain newspaper clippings possibly collected by Henry while living in Zambia, East Africa between 1972-1975. The fonds also contains photographs assumed to have been taken by Henry while visiting Goroka, Papua New Guinea, as well as a 1972 Teachers' College Handbook from the country's Department of Education.

Notes

Related material

Material came in with object donation, accession #3548. Objects in this accession contain 11 pieces by Bruce Onobrakpeya. Additional objects donated previously by Henry are also available in the collection.

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
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Access points

- Victoria Henry
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Collection holdings

File: 01 - Goroka, Papua New Guinea

Creator: Victoria Henry

Title: Goroka, Papua New Guinea

Reference code: 01

Date: 1971 (date of creation)

Scope and content: This file contains one teacher's handbook, one 16-page photocopied document, and 57 colour and black and white photographic prints presumably taken by Victoria Henry during her trip to Goroka, Papua New Guinea. The photographs depict the town's inhabitants in town, at the market, outside their homes, and in ceremony. The file includes a 16-page black and white scan of the original placement of photos in its former photo album. A Goroka Teachers' College handbook is also included, possibly related to a photograph #55 of a schoolroom (on photo sheet #8), and contains a curriculum book to obtain a Diploma in Teaching from the country's Department of Education.

Physical description: 57 photographs: colour and black and white
1 booklet (99 pages)

Publication status:

published

Access points:

- Victoria Henry
 - Graphic material (documentary form)
 - Textual record (documentary form)
 - Papua New Guinea (place)
 - Papua New Guinea (place)
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File: 02 - Nigerian Newspaper Clippings

Creator: Victoria Henry

Title: Nigerian Newspaper Clippings

Reference code: 02

Date: 1966-1967 (date of creation)

Scope and content: This file contains 60 newspaper clippings totaling 86 pages between 1966 and 1967 of the Daily Times, Sunday Times, Sunday Post, Nigerian Daily Sketch, and The New Nigerian. The clippings represent topics related to the leadup and beginning of the Nigerian Civil War, government, infrastructure, art, literature, religion, sensationalism, and everyday occurrences in the country.

Physical description: 60 textual records (newspaper clippings)

Note [generalNote]: Some clippings contain graphic images that may be distressing to view.

Immediate source of acquisition: Material is presumed to have been clipped and collected by another source and later given to Henry during her time in Africa in the 1970s-1990s.

Alternative form available: Material is digitized and available for reference. Speak to the archivist for access.

Publication status:

published

Access points:

- Victoria Henry
 - Nigeria (place)
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