Roy Huggins Collection

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Roy Huggins Collection
Dates: 1956-1984
Collection Number: WGF-MS-073
Creator/Collector: Roy Huggins
Extent: 3 linear feet (3 boxes)
Repository: Writers Guild Foundation Archive
Los Angeles, California 90048
Abstract: This collection contains scripts and other material related to the TV shows that Huggins created and/or worked on and contains a copy of his unpublished autobiography.
Language of Material: English
Access
Open for research, available by appointment only. Some materials stored offsite. One week advance notice required for retrieval.
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Biography/Administrative History
Born July 18, 1914, Roy Huggins enjoyed a prolific career as a TV writer/producer, creating Maverick, 77 Sunset Strip, The Fugitive and co-creating The Rockford Files with Stephen J. Cannell. Later in his career, he often took writing credit under pseudonyms such as Thomas Fitzroy or John Thomas James. In 1994, he received the Golden Laurel Award from the Producers Guild of America. Huggins, who was married to actress Adele Mara, passed away April 3, 2002 and he is survived by his five children.
Scope and Content of Collection
The bulk of the collection consists of scripts from the shows Huggins created and/or wrote on including 77 Sunset Strip, Maverick, Blue Thunder, Bus Stop, Kraft Suspense Theater, Kraft Mystery Theater, Cheyenne, Rockford Files and Run For Your Life. Scripts are written by Huggins and other writers. The collection also includes outlines and transcribed story conferences for the Huggins shows The Outsider and Run For Your Life. Notably, the collection includes outlines and correspondence related to Rockford Files pilot development, pilot arbitration, focus testing and broadcast standards. The collection also contains memos regarding a WGA arbitration for a TV episode of Blue Thunder. Lastly, a copy of Huggins' unpublished autobiography titled 25 Years Down the Tube (or Tears From a Glass Eye) is included.
Indexing Terms
Television scripts
Rockford files (Television program)
Television writers
Television producers and directors