
Finding aid for the Melissa Rose Papers

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Melissa Rose papers

Dates: 1980-1997

Collection number: Col-16

Creator: Rose, Melissa

Collection Size: 0.8 cubic feet 2 letter size boxes

Repository: California State University, East Bay. University Archives
Hayward, California 94542

Abstract: This collection contains the papers of Melissa Rose during her tenure as University Librarian.

Physical location: For current information on the location of these materials, please consult the Library's online catalog.

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

Access

Collection is open for research.

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Preferred Citation

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Acquisition Information

Records were transferred by the Office of the University Librarian.

Processing Information

Originally processed by Lucielle Klovdahl (date unknown); collection rehoused and finding aid created by Collin Thorman, 2011

Biography

Melissa Rose became University Librarian in 1980 after the retirement of Floyd R. Erickson. Rose was initially hired as an Education Librarian in 1964 and later served as Head of Public Services. After becoming University Librarian she immediately took to assessing and streamlining Library services, rearranging the departmental structure, organizing book sales, and starting a large weeding project. Unfortunately, Melissa Rose was also faced with many problems soon after beginning as University Librarian as well. She quelled a small kerfuffle over student behavior in the Biella Room, which eventually led to its closure to the public, and during a minor roof repair in 1988, a large chunk of asbestos fell in the Music Library, an event which quickly led to the Asbestos Abatement Project.

The Asbestos Abatement Project began under Melissa Rose's supervision and progressed through the preliminary budget and assessment phases. This project extended beyond her time as University Librarian (primarily due to concerns of cost), but her initial actions led to an important project which extended for many years thereafter. Melissa Rose was also involved

in the implementation of Online Public Access Computers (OPACs) at the end of her time at CSUH. She was an active member of the California Library Association (CLA) and served on many committees. Melissa Rose passed away on December 8, 1996 at age 66.

1964 Hired as Education Librarian
1980 Appointed University Librarian
1980 Departmental Assessment
1984 Organized Library Book Sale
1985? Began weeding project
1986 Biella Room closed to public after severe vandalism
1988 Asbestos discovered during minor roof repair, ad hoc committee formed
1988 Went to China as a part of People-to-People Delegation
1989 Planning efforts begin in earnest
1990 Preliminary Design Concept Scheme for California State University, Hayward Library drafted by Cape Environmental Management Inc.
1991 Implemented HAYSTAC Open Public Access Catalog
1996 Passed away at age 66

Scope and Content of Collection

The Melissa Rose Papers collection contains professional correspondence and documents sent and received by Melissa Rose, who was University Librarian from 1980-1991.

Arrangement

Arranged in a single series by subject, and within subject by chronology.

Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

California State University, East Bay

Asbestos abatement

Academic libraries--California

Related Material

Floyd R. Ericson Papers (Col. 15)

Box: 1-2

Series 1. **Papers 1980-1997 1980-1991**

Physical Description: 0.8 Cubic Feet (2 letter size boxes)

Series Scope and Content Summary

The Melissa Rose Papers comprise her professional correspondences, documents, and papers of interest. Of note are minutes and notes pertaining to five different committees, a series of photographs, and the pamphlet to her memorial service held in CSUEB's Biella Room.

Arrangement

By subject.

Box 1

Papers 1980-1990

Box 2

Papers 1990-1997 (bulk 1990-1991) Preliminary Design Concept Scheme for California State University, Hayward Library 1990 Education Equity Committee 1986-1990 Director's Instructional Council 1989-1991 Accreditation Papers 1989 Records Retention Committee 1980-1985 Emergency Preparedness Committee 1990-1991 Advisory Committee on Administrative Computing 1988-1991 Photographs 1985