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Contributing Institution: California State University, Monterey Bay Archives and Special Collections
Title: Demeter newspapers and ephemera
Identifier/Call Number: MS.3
Physical Description: 1.7 Linear Feet (1 full box, 1 half box, and 1 oversize folder)
Date (inclusive): 1979-1985
Abstract: This collection contains newspapers, posters, programs, and other materials related to Demeter Resources, a nonprofit women's organization founded in 1978, dedicated to the growth of the feminist community and the development of women's culture in the Monterey Bay area. The newspapers date from 1979-1985, with other materials from 1979-1981.
Arrangement
This collection is arranged in three series:
Series 1: Newspapers
Series 2: Concerts
Series 3: Ephemera
Immediate Source of Acquisition
Donated by David Reichard, 2016.
Conditions Governing Access
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Biographical / Historical
Demeter Resources was a non-profit organization dedicated to the growth of the feminist community and the development of women's culture in the Monterey Bay area. Based out of Pacific Grove, California, the organization was founded in 1978 by Lois Van Beers and JT Mason when they began publishing Demeter newsmagazine, originally known as the Women's Resource Center Newsletter. The organization expanded to include Demeter Productions, a women's production team formed to promote women's performing art and music, and a sports group to sponsor women's athletics.
Scope and Contents
This collection contains newspapers, posters, programs, and other materials related to Demeter Resources. Demeter Resources was comprised of three divisions: a newsmagazine, a production company, and a sports group. The monthly newsmagazine, titled Demeter constitutes the bulk of the collection, which contains a complete run of issues starting with vol. 2, no. 3, June 1979 through the final issue, vol. 8, no. 4, Summer 1985. As stated in vol. 2, no. 4, “Demeter is a local feminist newsletters. As such, its primary purpose is to publicize the organizations, activities, and concerns of local feminist women.” Topics addressed include sexuality, race, gender equality, sexism, gay rights, reproductive rights, and violence against women. Issues also include poetry and articles about books and music. The collection also contains posters and programs from concerts produced in 1979-1981 by Demeter Musical Productions, the musical division of the organization. Concert posters and programs feature the following artists: River, Alive!, Terry Garthwaite, Meg Christian, June Millington. Materials also include stage notes and a performance agreement for the 1981 performance by Alive! with Terry Garthwaite. The collection also contains a promotional flier for Demeter Musical Productions, a news clipping about Demeter Resources, and a Lady Slipper music catalog.
Processing Information
Collection processed by Robin Guthrie, 2017.
Subjects and Indexing Terms
Feminism
Feminism -- United States -- Periodicals
Monterey Bay (Calif.)
Women's rights -- Periodicals
Social justice -- Periodicals
Feminism and art
Newspapers 1979-1985

Scope and Contents
This series contains print issues of Demeter newsmagazine, covering "women's news of the Monterey Bay area."

Volume 2 1979 June-1980 March
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 3 1979 June
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 4 1979 July
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 5 1979 August
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 6 1979 September
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 7 1979 October
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 8 1979 November
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 9 1979 December
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 10 1980 January
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 11 1980 February
box 1, folder 1  v. 2, no. 12 1980 March

Volume 3 1980 April-1981 March
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 1 1980 April
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 2 1980 May
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 3 1980 June
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 4 1980 July
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 5 1980 August
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 6 1980 September
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 7 1980 October
box 1, folder 2  v. 3, no. 8 1980 November
box 1, folder 3  v. 3, no. 9 1980 December
box 1, folder 3  v. 3, no. 10 1981 January
box 1, folder 3  v. 3, no. 11 1981 February
box 1, folder 3  v. 3, no. 12 1981 March

Volume 4 1981 April-1982 March
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 1 1981 April
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 2 1981 May
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 3 1981 June
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 4 1981 Summer
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 5 1981 September
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 6 1981 October
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 7 1981 November
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 8 1981 December
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 9 1982 January
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 10 1982 February
box 1, folder 4  v. 4, no. 11 1982 March

Volume 5 1982 April-1983 March
box 1, folder 5  v. 5, no. 1 1982 April
box 1, folder 5  v. 5, no. 2 1982 May
box 1, folder 5  v. 5, no. 3 1982 June
box 1, folder 5  v. 5, no. 4 1982 Summer
box 1, folder 5  v. 5, no. 5 1982 September
box 1, folder 6  v. 5, no. 6 1982 October
box 1, folder 6  v. 5, no. 7 1982 November
box 1, folder 6  v. 5, no. 8 1982 December
box 1, folder 6  v. 5, no. 9 1983 January
Concerts 1979-1981
Scope and Contents
This series contains programs, posters, stage notes, and a performance agreement for concerts produced by Demeter Productions.

Programs 1979-1980
River 1979
Meg Christian and special guests River 1980

Posters 1979-1981
River 1979
June Millington with Special Guests 1980
Meg Christian, Special Appearance by River 1980
An Evening of Jazz featuring Alive! with Terry Garthwaite, Special Guest Appearance by Lambert van Buuren 1981

Performance agreement and notes 1981

Ephemera 1980, undated
Scope and Contents
This series contains miscellaneous ephemeral items related to the activities of Demeter Resources, including an incomplete newsclipping about the organization, a flier promoting Demeter Productions, and a Ladyslipper music catalog, featuring records and tapes by women.

Newsclipping 1980
Ladyslipper catalog 1980
box 2, folder 6  Flier, undated