
Inventory of the Don Carpenter Correspondence,

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Collector: Carpenter, Don

Title: Don Carpenter Correspondence,

Date (inclusive): 1963-1973

Extent: 0.2 linear feet

Abstract: Don Carpenter (1931-1995), a novelist, was the author of *Hard rain falling* (1965), *Blade of light* (1966), *Getting off* (1971), *The class of '49* (1985) and *From a distant past* (1988), among other works. This collection contains letters to Carpenter from Gary Snyder, Philip Whalen, Michael McClure, and other contemporary poets.

Physical location: Researchers should contact Special Collections to request collections, as many are stored offsite.

Repository: University of California, Davis. General Library. Department of Special Collections.

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Collection number: MC007

Language of Material: Collection materials in English.

Biography

Donald Richard Carpenter was born March 16, 1931 in Berkeley, California, the son of Eugene P. and Genevieve (Cody) Carpenter. He graduated from Portland State University in 1959 and received an M.A. from San Francisco State University in 1960.

He had a career as a novelist and was the author of *Hard rain falling* (1965), *Blade of light* (1966), *Getting off* (1971), *The class of '49* (1985) and *From a distant past* (1988), among other works.

Carpenter passed away on July 27, 1995 in Mill Valley, California.

Source:

"Don Carpenter," in *Contemporary Authors Online*, Thomson Gale, University of California, Davis Library. Accessed September 19, 2008.

Scope and Content

This collection contains 41 postcards and letters, including some poetry, from Gary Snyder, Philip Whalen, Michael McClure, and other contemporary poets. The correspondence, which spans the years 1963-1973, discusses travel, news about mutual friends, and writing and publishing projects.

The letters are arranged alphabetically by correspondent.

Related collections

The Bancroft Library at the University of California, Berkeley holds the Don Carpenter Papers.

Indexing Terms

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

Carpenter, Don--Archives

Snyder, Gary, 1930---Correspondence

Whalen, Philip--Correspondence

Poets, American--20th century--Correspondence

Access

Collection is open for research.

Acquisition Information

Acquired in 1984 and 1985.

Processing Information

Sara Gunasekara processed these papers and created and encoded this finding aid.

Preferred Citation

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researcher.

Box MC007:1	Brautigan, Richard 1973 October 9 Physical Description: 1 envelope with calling card
Box MC007:2	Capote, Truman 1966 November 19 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:3	Clark, Walter Van Tilburg 1966 February 10 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:4	Ginsberg, Allen undated Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:5	Loewinsohn, Ron 1964 January 12 Physical Description: 1 letter, 1 poem
Box MC007:6	McClure, Michael 1967 September 2 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:7	McClure, Michael 1973 August 29 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:8	Snyder, Gary 1964 September 26 Physical Description: 1 letter and samples of calligraphy by Whalen, Ross, and Snyder
Box MC007:9	Snyder, Gary 1965 October 6 Physical Description: 1 note, 4 poems
Box MC007:10	Snyder, Gary 1965 November 10 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:11	Snyder, Gary 1965 December 24 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:12	Snyder, Gary 1966 January 27 Physical Description: 1 letter, 2 poems
Box MC007:13	Snyder, Gary 1966 March 3 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:14	Snyder, Gary 1966 April 10 Physical Description: 1 letter, 4 poems
Box MC007:15	Snyder, Gary 1966 May 30 Physical Description: 1 letter, 6 poems
Box MC007:16	Snyder, Gary 1967 January 23 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:17	Snyder, Gary 1971 May 29 Physical Description: 1 letter

Box MC007:18	Snyder, Gary [1971 June 7?] Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:19	Snyder, Gary 1971 December 11 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:20	Snyder, Gary 1971 Winter Solstice Physical Description: broadside poem, Anasazi
Box MC007:21	Snyder, Gary 1973 July 6 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:22	Snyder, Gary 1973 August 29 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:23	Snyder, Gary undated Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:24	Snyder, Gary undated Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:25	Whalen, Philip 1963 August 13 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:26	Whalen, Philip 1966 February 26 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:27	Whalen, Philip 1966 March 14 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:28	Whalen, Philip 1966 March 27 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:29	Whalen, Philip 1966 April 14 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:30	Whalen, Philip 1966 April 18 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:31	Whalen, Philip 1966 May 15 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:32	Whalen, Philip 1966 May 16 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:33	Whalen, Philip 1966 June 2 Physical Description: 1 postcard
Box MC007:34	Whalen, Philip 1966 September 28 Physical Description: 1 letter
Box MC007:35	Whalen, Philip 1967 February 7 Physical Description: 1 letter

- Box MC007:36 **Whalen, Philip 1967 February 28**
 Physical Description: 1 letter
- Box MC007:37 **Whalen, Philip 1967 March 16**
 Physical Description: 1 letter
- Box MC007:38 **Whalen, Philip 1967 March 22**
 Physical Description: 1 letter
- Box MC007:39 **Whalen, Philip 1969 September 23**
 Physical Description: 1 letter
- Box MC007:40 **Whalen, Philip 1971 August 9**
 Physical Description: 1 letter
- Box MC007:41 **Whalen, Philip 1972?**
 Physical Description: 1 postcard