Finding aid for the Masiela Lusha Papers, 1975-2011 CSRC.2016.037

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Date (inclusive): 1975-2011
Abstract: This collection consists of the personal papers of actress Masiela Lusha. It includes correspondence, photographs, publicity material, and books. There is also some artwork by Lusha, as well as clothing and realia.
Language of Material: Material is in English, Albanian, Spanish, and German.
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Donated by Masiela Lusha, June 19, 2013.
Biographical / Historical
Masiela Lusha was born October 23, 1985 in Tirana, Albania. At the age of seven her family moved to Macomb County, Michigan. Active in the theater and dance communities there, she moved to Los Angeles at age thirteen and pursued work as a model and actress. Her big break came when she was cast as Carmen, the daughter of George Lopez on his eponymous sitcom. Lusha attended UCLA even while she was appearing on the show. She is also an author, having published a book of poetry and a children's book.
Preferred Citation
[identification of item], Masiela Lusha Papers, 2016-37, UCLA Chicano Studies Research Center, University of California, Los Angeles.
Scope and Contents
The collection consists of correspondence, photographs, and publicity material documenting Lusha's modeling career and her work as a child actor. There are also books and artwork by Lusha, as well as clothing and realia. There is material on television projects, especially George Lopez (ABC, 2002-2007). There is a significant amount of material related to Lusha's childhood in Macomb County, Michigan.
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Subjects and Indexing Terms
George Lopez (Television program)
Macomb County (Mich.)
Lusha, Masiela--Archives
Child actors
Modeling
Box 1, Folder 3  
**Clifford’s Furry Friends 2001**  
Biographical / Historical  
Board book; Lusha was a voice actor for *Clifford's Puppy Days* (PBS, 2003-2006).

Box 1, Folder 4  
**Clippings 1997-2010**

Box 1, Folder 5  
**College essays undated**

Box 1, Folder 6  
**Correspondence 1998-2010**

  Language of Material: Letters are in English, Albanian, and German.

  Scope and Contents

  Includes letters from Dorrance Publishing and Robert Amatruda

Box 1, Folder 7  
**Date book 2004**

  Scope and Contents

  The calendar includes both Lusha’s *George Lopez* shooting schedule and her UCLA schedule.

Box 1, Folder 8  
**Fan mail 2005-2010**

Box 2, Folder 1  
**George Lopez (ABC, 2002-2007) clippings 2002-2004**

Box 2, Folder 2  
**George Lopez (ABC, 2002-2007) Paley Festival program 2003**

Box 2, Folder 3  
**George Lopez (ABC, 2002-2007) photographs 2002-2005**

  Scope and Contents

  Includes set photos and publicity events.

Box 2, Folder 4  
**George Lopez (ABC, 2002-2007) production 2003-2005**

  Scope and Contents

  Includes: staff and crew list; call sheet; lanyards.

Box 2, Folder 5  
**Greeting cards 1995-2004**

Box 2, Folder 6  
**Illuminary Pictures, Inc. circa 2008**

  Scope and Contents

  Dossier for Lusha's production company.

Box 2, Folder 7  
**Lizzie McGuire (Disney Channel, 2001-2004) undated**

  Scope and Contents

  Script "Lizzie’s First School Dance."

Box 2, Folder 8  
**Lopez, George undated**

  Scope and Contents

  Handwritten card.

Box 2, Folder 9  
**Membership cards 2004**

  Scope and Contents

  Includes cards for: Academy of Television Arts and Sciences; AFTRA; SAG; Sentebale.

Box 2, Folder 10  
**Miscellaneous 1997-1998**

  Scope and Contents

  Includes: ticket stubs; Chinese paper; 13 yuan; miraculous medal.

Box 2, Folder 11  
**Muertas (short) 2005-03-25**

  Scope and Contents

  Script by Ryan Piers Williams.
Box 2, Folder 12  **Nela and Maylee 2000-12-30**  
Scope and Contents  
Script by Masiela Lusha.

Box 2, Folder 13  **Notes undated**  
Scope and Contents  
Handwritten fragments of poetry and prose.

Box 2, Folder 14  **Periodicals 1995-2000**  
Language of Material: Magazines are in English and Albanian.  
Scope and Contents  

Box 2, Folder 15  **Periodicals 2002**  
Language of Material: Magazines are in English and Spanish.  
Scope and Contents  

Box 2, Folder 16  **Periodicals 2004**  
Scope and Contents  

Box 3, Folder 1  **Periodicals 2004-03**  
Scope and Contents  
Includes: *Pop Star!; Twist*.

Box 3, Folder 2  **Periodicals 2004-04**  
Scope and Contents  
Includes: *Pop Star!; Star*, 2004-04-26; *Teen People; Tiger Beat*.

Box 3, Folder 3  **Periodicals 2004-2007**  
Scope and Contents  

Box 3, Folder 4  **Photographs 1993-1999**  
Scope and Contents  
Includes photos with Frankie Muniz, Antonio Villaraigosa.

Box 3, Folder 5  **Photographs 1999-2007**  
Scope and Contents  
Includes photos with Frankie Muniz, Antonio Villaraigosa.

Box 3, Folder 6  **Photographs undated**  
Scope and Contents  
Head shots and modeling photos.

Box 3, Folder 7  **Photographs - family undated and 1975-1996**  
Scope and Contents  
Includes an old photograph of Lusha’s maternal grandfather; some of the photographs have identifications written on them in Albanian.

Box 3, Folder 8  **Photographs - high school prom 2004**  
Scope and Contents  

Box 3, Folder 9  **Photographs - professional 2001-2006**  
Scope and Contents  

Box 4, Folder 1  Professional documents 2001-2004
  Scope and Contents
  Includes: minor entertainment work permit; Young Artist Awards certificates of nomination.

Box 4, Folder 2  Schools 1996-2000
  Scope and Contents
  Includes: talent show programs; homework.

Box 4, Folder 3  Sketches 1998-2000
Box 4, Folder 4  Sketches 2010
Box 4, Folder 5  TEENick (Nickelodeon, 2001-2009) script 2004-01-06
Box 4, Folder 6  Yearbooks 1993-1999
  Scope and Contents
  Includes yearbooks for: Henry Ford Elementary in Dearborn, Michigan; Green Acres Elementary, Chippewa Elementary, and Iroquois Middle School in Macomb County, Michigan.

Box 5  Burbank High School yearbook 2000-2001
Box 5  Painting of a lamb by Lusha 2008
Box 6  Clippings and periodicals 2001-2011
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  Scope and Contents
  Includes: Parade, 2004-03-02; Variety, 2002-03-07, 2002-04-10, 2006-03-29; The Burbank Leader, 2010-10-27; Albanian House, no. 43; Illyria, 2006-11-21; photographs.

Box 7  Clothing undated
  Scope and Contents
  Includes: George Lopez baseball shirt; graduation cap and gown; dresses; tiara; t-shirt.

Box 8  Realia undated
  Scope and Contents
  Includes: Clifford the Small Red Puppy plush doll; ballet slippers; Rubik's Cube; glass bead necklace; paint brushes; personalized binder.