Preliminary Guide to the Table-Talk Press Collection

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Descriptive Summary
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Collection Number: Printers Mss 18
Collector: Sherick (Michael)
Extent: .6 linear feet (1 document box and 1 oversize box)
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Acquisition Information
Scope and Content of Collection
The collection contains artwork, correspondence, manuscripts, printer's mockups, promotional flyers, proofs, and other related material from Michael Sherick's Santa Barbara-based Table-Talk Press. Correspondents include Fielding Dawson, Clayton Eshleman, Lawrence Ferlinghetti, Henry Johnson, Michael McClure, David Meltzer, Leslie Scalapino, Gary Snyder, Robert Sycamore, Diane Wakoski, and Philip Whalen. Some of the Table-Talk works were designed and printed by David
Printed copies of Table-Talk Press works, mainly poetry broadsides, have been cataloged separately and can be searched on Pegasus, the UCSB Libraries online catalog.

Series 1. Correspondence (along with enclosed manuscripts, artwork, and proofs)

Box 1: 1 - 2  
**Dawson, Fielding, 1985 - 1988**

Box 1: 3  
**Eshleman, Clayton, 1985**

Box 1: 4  
**Ferlinghetti, Lawrence, 1986**

Abstract: [1 ALS and 1 postcard]

Box 1: 5  
**McClure, Michael, 1985 - 1986**

Box 1: 6  
**Meltzer, David, 1985**

Box 1: 7  
**Miller, Henry, 1987**

Abstract: [Correspondence to/from heirs re publishing a 1965 letter from Miller to Charles Bukowski as a holiday greeting card; also a proof and copy of the card]

Box 1: 8  
**Scalapino, Leslie, 1985 - 1986**

Box 1: 9  
**Snyder, Gary, 1984**

Abstract: [1 postcard]

Box 1: 10  
**Wakoski, Diane, 1985-1986, 1989**

Abstract: [2 TLS from DW and 1 TLS from Robert J. Turney re DW]

Box 1: 11  
**Whalen, Philip, 1985 - 1986**

Abstract: [Correspondence mostly re Table-Talk's first publication, Whalen's "The Elizabethan Phrase," printed as a broadside; also copies of other Whalen poems]

Series 2. Publication Files (incl. artwork, printer's mockups, promotional flyers, and proofs)

Box 1: 12  
**Chameleon Series, 1985**

Box 1: 13  
**Poetry Broadsides, 1985 - 1986**

Box 1: 14  
**The Rootworker, 1988**

Series 3. Wood-mounted Zinc Blocks

Box 1: 15 - 17  
**Wood-mounted Zinc Blocks, ca. 1987 - 1988**

Abstract: [3 items; for artwork on Dawson and Johnson broadsides]

Series 4. Oversize Materials

Box 2: 1  
**Five Broadsides, 1985 - 1986**

Abstract: [Portfolio and signed copies of the broadsides]

Box 2: 2  
**Proofs, 1985 - 1987**

Abstract: [Poetry broadsides and Miller holiday card]