2-23-2018

Guide to the Blumenstiel Collection

Linfield College Archives

Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.linfield.edu/lca_findingaids

Part of the History Commons

Recommended Citation
https://digitalcommons.linfield.edu/lca_findingaids/37

This Finding Aid is brought to you for free via open access, courtesy of DigitalCommons@Linfield. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@linfield.edu.
Helen Blumenstiel

Guide to the Blumenstiel Collection

1953-1965

Creator: Helen Blumenstiel
Title: Blumenstiel Collection
Dates: 1953-1965
Quantity: 1 linear foot

Summary: The collection showcases the life and work of Helen Blumenstiel, chairman of the Fine Arts department at Linfield College from 1953-1965. Her contributions made a lasting impact on the art department at Linfield, and she paved the way for the department to expand from a single class to a full-fledged course of study.

Repository
Jereld R. Nicholson Library
Linfield College
900 SE Baker Street
McMinnville, OR 97128
Reference Number: 503-883-2734
Reference Email: archives@linfield.edu
Language: English

Biographical Note
Helen Blumenstiel taught at Linfield College from 1946 to 1947, and then returned in 1952 to accept a full-time position teaching art. From that time until 1965, she led the expansion of the department and became the chairman of the Fine Arts department. Blumenstiel championed the awareness of the department by giving faculty lectures, and upon her retirement, the department was offering a dual degree in Art and Education. Outside of the Linfield College arena, Blumenstiel exhibited her work in New York, Seattle, Portland, and Salem, among other locations.

Content Description
This collection contains materials relating to Blumenstiel’s career at Linfield college and her artistic output during the time span of roughly twelve years (1953-1965). Such material includes articles of her late life, filmed interviews, examples of her art work, and journal pages.
Restrictions on Access
Access is by appointment only. Please contact the archivist to make an appointment.

Preferred Citation

Provenance
Donna Jean McDaniel donated Blumenstiel Collection to the Linfield College Archives in 2017.

Location of Originals
Jereld R. Nicholson Library, Linfield College

Processing Information
Processed by archives technician Anna Vanderschaegen, with the assistance of archivist Rich Schmidt.

Arrangement
Scrapbook: Compilation of articles concerning Helen Blumenstiel, produced for an exhibit by Salem Art Association
Binder 1: “A Retrospective View of the Woman and Her Work”, Presented by the Salem Art Association at Bush Barn Gallery. Jan - Feb 1976
Facsimile of Blumenstiel journal, Dec 1945- Sept 1972
Photos: Original photos of Blumenstiel at her Oregon farm, Photo of artwork (oil)
CD: Audio interview with Blumenstiel, circa 1972 (transcribed from tape, sides A and B)