

Guide to the Lois and Louis Darling Papers

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: YCAL MSS 644

CREATOR: Darling, Lois

TITLE: Lois and Louis Darling papers

DATES: 1954-1986

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 2.42 linear feet (6 boxes) + 1 art storage item

LANGUAGE: English

SUMMARY: The Lois and Louis Darling Papers consist of writings, correspondence, artwork, galley proofs, mock-ups, printed material, and other papers relating to the professional lives of Lois and Louis Darling. Material relates to the Darlings' collaborative and individual publications, including Greenhead (William Morrow, 1954); The Gull's Way (William Morrow, 1965); The Sea Serpents Around Us: A Complete Guide to Sea Serpentology (Little Brown, 1965); A Place in the Sun: Ecology and the Living World (William Morrow, 1968); The Science of Life (World Publishing Company, 1961); Worms (William Morrow, 1972); and the unpublished "One Dozen Eggs." Included among the papers is an illustration entitled "Pseudocephalopod", with a corresponding photographic negative.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Lois Darling, 1985 and 1991.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

Lois and Louis Darling Papers. Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Processing Information

Collections are processed to a variety of levels, depending on the work necessary to make them usable, their perceived research value, the availability of staff, competing priorities, and whether or not further accruals are expected. The library attempts to provide a basic level of preservation and access for all collections, and does more extensive processing of higher priority collections as time and resources permit.

The collection received preliminary processing at the time of acquisition. Further organization, rehousing, and description were carried out in 2012.

The collection is comprised of material formerly classed as: Uncat ZA MS 198 and Uncat ZA MS 368. Various acquisitions associated with the collection have not been merged and organized as a whole. Each acquisition is described separately in the contents list below, according to month and year of acquisition.

Information included in the Description of Papers note and Collection Contents section is drawn from information supplied with the collection and from an initial survey of the contents. Folder titles appearing in the contents list below are often based on those provided by the creator or previous custodian. Titles have not been verified against the contents of the folders in all cases. Otherwise, folder titles are supplied by staff during basic processing.

This finding aid may be updated periodically to account for new acquisitions to the collection and/or revisions in arrangement and description.

Associated Materials

Printed material received with the collection was removed for separate cataloging and can be accessed by searching Orbis (Yale's Online Catalog).

Lois Darling (1917-1989) and Louis Darling (1916-1970)

Lois MacIntyre Darling (1917-1989), American author, illustrator, and researcher. Louis Darling (1916-1970), American illustrator, author, and environmentalist. The Darlings worked both collaboratively and individually.

Scope and Contents

The Lois and Louis Darling Papers consist of writings, correspondence, artwork, galley proofs, mock-ups, notebooks, a photographic negative, printed material, and other papers relating to the professional lives of Lois and Louis Darling. Material relates to the Darlings' collaborative and individual publications, including *Greenhead* (William Morrow, 1954); *The Gull's Way* (William Morrow, 1965); *The Sea Serpents Around Us: A Complete Guide to Sea Serpentology* (Little Brown, 1965); *A Place in the Sun: Ecology and the Living World* (William Morrow, 1968); *The Science of Life* (World Publishing Company, 1961); *Worms* (William Morrow, 1972); the unpublished "One Dozen Eggs." Included among the papers is an illustration entitled "Pseudocephalopod", with a corresponding photographic negative.

Arrangement

Organized into two groupings: I. January 1985 Acquisition, 1964-1968. II. August 1991 Acquisition, 1954-1986.

Collection Contents

1: January 1985 Acquisition, 1964-1968, undated

1 linear foot (4 boxes)

Former call number: Uncat ZA MS 368

Contains writing drafts, illustrations, correspondence, and other papers relating to *The Gull's Way* and *The Sea Serpents Around Us: A Complete Guide to Sea Serpentology* by Lois and Louis Darling.

The Sea and the Serpents Around Us: A Complete Guide to Sea Serpentology

b.1	First draft, autograph manuscript with notes	undated
b.1	Second draft, autograph manuscript	undated
b.1	Third draft, autograph manuscript <i>8 Folders</i>	undated
b.1	Revised draft, typescript	undated
b.1	Revised and shortened draft, autograph manuscript photocopy <i>5 Folders</i>	undated
b.1	Draft, typescript with notes and illustrations	undated
b.1	Galley proof <i>2 Folders</i>	undated
b.1	Mock-up	undated
b.1	Autograph notes	undated
b.1	Little, Brown and Company, correspondence, contract and other related papers <i>8 Folders</i>	1964-1968
b.2	Correspondence with friends regarding publication <i>4 Folders</i>	1965-1967
b.2	Correspondence regarding reviews and advertisements <i>2 Folders</i>	1965-1967
b.2	Reviews and advertisements <i>3 Folders</i>	1965-1967
b.6 (Oversize)	Pencil and ink drawings signed by the illustrator <i>29 x 37 cm. and 29 x 73 cm.</i> <i>(39 leaves)</i> Includes fragments of text, protective coverslips, and autograph notes by Lois Darling	1965
b.3 (Oversize)	<i>The Gull's Way</i> , pencil and ink drawings <i>3 Folders (32 leaves)</i> <i>24 x 29 cm. and 30 x 43 cm.</i> Includes fragments of text and autograph notes by Lois Darling	1965

2: August 1991 Acquisition, 1954-1986, undated

1.42 linear feet (2 boxes)

Former call number: Uncat ZA MS 198

Contains writing drafts, illustrations, mock-ups, correspondence, printed material, notebooks, notes, a photographic negative, and other papers relating to several publications.

Greenhead by Louis Darling

b. 4	Autograph notes	1954
b. 4	Unidentified draft, autograph 2 Folders	1954
b. 4	Unidentified draft, typescript, carbon, corrected 2 Folders	1954
b. 4	First draft: typescript, original	1954
b. 4	Final draft: typescript, original	1954

The Gull's Way by Louis Darling

b. 4	Draft, autograph manuscript, corrected	1962
b. 4	First draft, typescript, carbon	1962 October
b. 4	Second draft, typescript, carbon, corrected	undated
b. 4	[Third draft?], typescript, original, corrected	undated
b. 4	Edited version, typescript, original, corrected 2 Folders	undated
b. 4	Printer's version, typescript, original, corrected	undated
b. 4	Mock-up	
b. 4	Master proof, corrected	1964 September-December
b. 4	British edition, [proof]	1965
b. 4	Correspondence	1962-65
b. 4	Miscellaneous 2 Folders	1965, undated
b. 4	Printed version Inscribed to Lois Darling in the author's hand. Also with an inscription to Lois Darling from Roger Tory Peterson, autograph note by Lois Darling, and two photographs of Louis Darling	1943-65

Little Green Island by Louis and Lois Darling

b. 4	Notebooks 2 Folders	undated
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Little Green Island by Louis and Lois Darling (continued)

b. 4	Pencil sketches	1961 June
	"One Dozen Eggs" by Louis Darling	
b. 4	Draft, typescript, corrected	undated
b. 7 (Art)	<i>The Sea and the Serpents Around Us: A Complete Guide to Sea Serpentology</i> , framed original illustration Stored in Art Storage	undated
	Other Papers	
b. 4	"Photographic Record" notebook with autograph notes	undated
b. 4	Boat registration	1986 August 7
b. 3 (Oversize)	"Pseudocephalopod" pencil sketch	1965 January
b. 4	"Pseudocephalopod" 4 x 5 photographic negative	1965 January
	<i>A Place in the Sun</i> by Louis and Lois Darling	
b. 5	First draft, autograph manuscript	1966 August
b. 5	Mock-up	[1966 August]
b. 5	<i>The Science of Life</i> , first draft, autograph with notes 16 Folders	circa 1960
	<i>Worms</i>	
b. 5	Mock-ups 3 Folders	1969 Spring, 1970 October 8, undated

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

Authors, American -- 20th Century -- Archives
Environmentalism -- United States
Illustrators, American -- 20th Century --
Archives

Genres / Formats

Drawings (visual works)
Illustrations (layout features)
Negatives
Sketches

Occupations

Authors -- United States -- 20th Century
Illustrators -- United States -- 20th Century

Names

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Darling, Louis, 1916-

Contributors

Darling, Lois
Darling, Louis, 1916-