

MJ-168

Moose Jaw Prairie Pens Writers fonds. – [textual record]. – 1991-2009. – 35.2 cm of textual records.

Boxes V-205 - V-206, H-112 - H-114, H-138

Administrative history

The Prairie Pens Writers was established on February 10, 1991. The creation of the group was accomplished due to Gertrude Story (in 1991 she was Moose Jaw's writer-in-residence) and a grant from the New Horizon's program. One of the first actions of the group was to petition city hall to declare Robert Currie and Gary Hyland Honorary Poets Laureate. Members participated in their first public readings at the SIAST's Macoun Lounge in June 1991. This event, called Readouts, is now an annual event held at the library.

Membership is open to anyone; however, due to weekday meeting times, the majority of members are seniors. Meetings are held on the second Monday of each month, excluding July and August.

Fonds level scope and content

This fonds contains four series: Financial and Legal Records, Meeting Minutes, Published Material and Scrapbooks. It includes tax records, financial reports, grant applications, dissolution records, and meeting minutes. It also consists of published works collected by the organization as well as scrapbooks created by the organization.

Conservation note

This fonds was re-boxed and refoldered in 2013.

Note of immediate source of acquisition

The first accrual was donated to the archives by Gladys Macdonald of the Prairie Pens Writers in 2010.

Accession 4.2018 was donated to the archives by Carol L. Ferguson on March 7, 2015.

Accruals

Further accruals expected.

Series level scope and content

MJ-168/1 Financial and Legal Records. – [textual record]. – 1993-1995. – 2.00 cm of textual records.

Box V-205

This series contains tax records, including financial reports and grand applications, as well as legal documents, such as dissolution records.

MJ-168/2 Meeting Minutes. – [textual record]. – 1991-2009. – 7.50 cm of textual records.

Boxes V-205 - V-206

This series consists of meeting minutes of the executive committee from 1991-2009.

MJ-168/3 Published Material. – [textual record]. – 1992-1993. – 3.00 cm of textual records.

Box V-206

This series contains two published works collected by the organization: *Grain* Spring 1992, Vol. 20, Number 1 and *One Hundred Years of Grasslands* by Marjorie Rohde Mason. The first work says “property of Prairie Pens” on the title page and the second was donated to the Prairie Pens by the author.

MJ-168/4 Scrapbooks. – [textual record]. – 1991-2011. – 22.7 cm of textual records.

Boxes H-112 - H-114, H-138

This series consists of scrapbooks created by Prairie Pens Writers members. It includes newspaper clippings, photographs and original writing. Also included is a compilation of articles published in the Moose Jaw Express.

Finding aids.

See file list.

File List

MJ-168/1 Financial and Legal Records. – [textual record]. – 1993-1995. – 2.00 cm of textual records.

Box V-205

001 – Tax and Legal Records. – 1993-1995. – ca. 20 p.

002 – New Horizons Grant Records. – 1991-1993. – ca. 30 p.

MJ-168/2 Meeting Minutes. – [textual record]. – 1991-2009. – 7.50 cm of textual records.

Box V-205

001 – Meeting Minutes. – 1991-1992. – ca. 40 p.

Box V-206

002 – Meeting Minutes. – 1993-2003 (Part 1). – 3.50 cm.

002 – Meeting Minutes. – 1993-2003 (Part 2). – 3.50 cm.

003 – Meeting Minutes. – 2004-2009. – ca. 50 p.

MJ-168/3 Published Material. – [textual record]. – 1992-1993. – 3.00 cm of textual records.

Box V-206

001 – *Grain* Spring 1992, Vol. 20, Number 1. – 1992. – 2.00 cm.

002 – *One Hundred Years of Grasslands* by Marjorie Rohde Mason. – 1993. – 1.00 cm.

MJ-168/4 Scrapbooks. – [textual record]. – 1991-2011. – 22.7 cm of textual records.

Box H-112

001 – Prairie Pen Memories Scrapbook. – 1991-1994. – 2.50 cm.

Box H-113

002 – Prairie Pen Memories Scrapbook. – 1991-1996. – 4.00 cm.

003 – Prairie Pen Memories Scrapbook. – 1997-2002. – 4.00 cm.

Box H-114

004 – Prairie Pen Memories Scrapbook. – 2003-2005. – 4.00 cm.

005 – Prairie Pen Memories Scrapbook. – 2006-2009. – 4.00 cm.

Box H-138

006 – Prairie Pen Memories Scrapbook. – December 23, 2010 - February 16, 2011. – 4.20 cm.