

MADGETT, NAOMI LONG, 1923 -
PAPERS, 1932 -

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Naomi Long Madgett, 1923-
Papers, 193~~2~~

The Naomi Long Madgett Collection is a continuous collection that was placed on deposit June 8, 1971. Naomi Long Madgett is a poet, writer, teacher, and book publisher whose writing career started at an early age.

The collection consists of biographical data, correspondence with Arna Bontemps, Countee Cullen, Sterling Brown and Ira De A. Reid, along with his publishers; manuscripts, such as her first book, Songs to a Phantom Nightingale, Songs for a Rainy Day and No Need for Sound; poems in newspapers, articles, memorabilia, scrapbook, newspaper clippings, and photographs.

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REGISTER

Box 1

- f. 1 --Biographical Sketch
- 2 --Correspondence--General--1937-1944
- 3 --Correspondence--Publishers--1938-1943
- 4 --Writings--Anthologies--1941, n.d.
- 5 --Writings--Articles--1941-1946
- 6 --Writings--Books--1932
- 7 --Writings--Poems--1932-1940
- 8 --Writings--Poems--1942
- 9 --Writings--Poems--1945
- 10 --Writings--Poems--1946
- 11 --Writings--Poems--1966-1968

Box 2

- f. 1 --Awards
 - 2 --Book Reviews
 - 3 --Clippings--1941-1956
 - 4 --Programs
 - 5 --Photographs
 - 6 --Scrapbook
 - 7 --Memorabilia
 - 8 --Envelopes
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Naomi Long Madgett (1923--)

Papers, 1934-1993

Group II

SCOPE NOTE

Naomi Long Madgett (1923-)

Papers, 1934 - 1993

Group II

This is the second group of papers placed on deposit by Naomi Long Madgett in August, 1993. The collection of eleven manuscript boxes consists of correspondence (1935-1993); unpublished and published works; notebooks; programs of readings; book reviews; biographical and autobiographical materials; photographs; newspaper clippings; memorabilia and related items.

The highlight of this group are the number of early unpublished writings, notebooks and a beginning autobiography. In the Black Oral History Collection is an interview with Naomi Long Madgett dated August 7, 1972. The interviewer was Ann Allen Shockley.

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Box 1

- f.1--Biographical
- 2--Autobiography--"Enchanted Streets: The St. Louis Years;"
typewritten, 1970"s, 18pp.
- 3--Accounts, Bills, Receipts
- 4-- Contract--Archive of Recorded Poetry and Literature, 1978
- 5--Correspondence, 1935-1993

Box 2

Writings--Published--Poems--Short Stories--Essays--Miscellaneous

- f.1--Poems--A-M
- 2--Poems--N--Untitled
- 3--"Alabama Centennial," poem set to music by John Campbell
- 4--Poems in periodicals--Afro-Amerikanse, 1903; The Blue River Poetry Magazine, 1957; Michigan Challenge, 1968-1969; First World, 1977; Free Lance, 1967; Journal of Black Poetry, 1967
- 5--Poems in periodicals--Langston Hughes Review, 1973; Negro History Bulletin, 1962; Poet, 1972; Victims of Our Fear, 1963(?)
- 6--Poems--Miscellaneous
- 7--Essays--"Chapel Courtesy," 1942;--"Prepare Ye the Way," n.d.
- 8--Short Stories--Essays--Poems, Sumner's New Magazine, 1940
- 9--Writings--Visions, nd.--Miscellaneous

Box 3

Writings--Unpublished--Notebooks--Poems--Short Stories--Essays--
Articles--Notes

- f.1--"After Hours"--typewritten, manuscript, 1942
- 2--"Blue Elegy"--notebook--notebook--poems, written under pen name
Lonnie Cornell, typewritten, 1937-1938
- 3--"Drops of Water"--notebook--poems, typewritten, n.d.

Writings--Unpublished--Notebooks--Poems--Short Stories--Essays--
Articles--Notes

f.4--"Excerpts from Life"--Notebook--Poems--Short Stories--
Essays, handwritten, 200 pp., 1944-1945

5--"New Poems"--Notebooks--handwritten, 1952-1958

6--"Poems"--Notebook--handwritten, 1962-1964

7--"The St. Louis Connection"--notes on poems; typewritten,
11pp., 1989

8--UNTitled Notebook--Poems, handwritten, 1959-1962

10--"Some Poems since 1955"--notebook, handwritten,
1955-1970

11--Poems--Miscellaneous--B-V

12--"The Midway Story"--Article, typewritten, 7pp., 1974

13--Notes

Box 4

Published Teachers Guide--Collected Classroom Materials

f.1--"Deep Rivers; A Portfolio: 20 Contemporary Black American
Poets"

2--"Success in Language and Literature, Units 1, 1944; Unit 5,
1945

3--Collected Classroom Materials

Box 5

Poetry Readings--Programs

f.1--Programs-1937-1949

2--Programs--1957-1969

3--Programs--1970-1979

4--Programs--1980-1989

5--Programs--1990-1993

6--Programs--n.d.

Box 6

Book Reviews--Book Announcements--Lotus Press--Book Jackets--
Memorabilia--Tape

f.1--Book Review--Beyond the Blues

2--Book Review--Exits and Entrances

Book Reviews--Book Announcements--Lotus Press--Book Jackets--
Memorabilia--Tape

- f.3--Book Review--A Milestone Sampler: 15th Anniversary Anthology
- 4--Book Review--New Negro Poets
- 5--Book Review--Octavia
- 6--Book Review--One Among Many
- 7--Book Review--Pink Ladies in the Afternoon
- 8--Book Review--Star by Star
- 9--Book Review--A Student's Guide to Creative Writing
- 10--Book Announcements
- 11--Lotus Press
- 12--Book Jackets--One and the Many; Phantom Nightingale;
Star by Star

- 13--Memorabilia
- 14--Tape

Box 7

Newspaper Clippings--Detroit Schools--Eastern Michigan Faculty
Faculty -Staff News--Virginia State College Alumni News--The Wolverine

- f.1--Newspaper Clipping--1937
- 2--Newspaper Clippings--1941-1946
- 3--Newspaper Clipping--1956
- 4--Newspaper Clippings--1963-1969
- 5--Newspaper Clippings--1970-1979
- 6--Newspaper Clippings--1981-1988
- 7--Newspaper Clippings--1990-1992
- 8--Newspaper Clippings--n.d.
- 9--Detroit Schools--1965, 1967
- 10--Eastern Michigan University Faculty-Staff News--1968-1974
- 11--Virginia State College Alumni News, October, 1965
- 12--The Wolverine, December 1969.

Box 8

Newspaper Clippings--Oversized--1943-1993

Box 9

Collected--Essays--Poems--Short Stories--Newspaper Clippings--Printed
Matter--Book Jackets

- f.1--Essays

Collected--Essays--Poems--Short Stories--Newspaper Clippings--
Printed Matter--Book Jackets

- f.1--Collected--Essays
- 2--Collected Poems
- 3--Collected--Short Stories
- 4--Collected Newspaper Clippings--1968-1984
- 5--Collected--Printed Matter
- 6--Collected--Book Jackets

Box 10

Awards--Memorabilia--Photographs--Scrapbook

- f.1--Awards--1941-1993
- 2--Award--Naomi Long Madgett Poetry Award
- 3--Memorabilia--Invitations
- 4--Memorabilia--State of Michigan Inaugural Ceremonies--1975
- 5--Photographs--Family--1937-1969
- 6--Photographs--Miscellaneous--1944-1993
- 7--Scrapbook
- 8--Envelopes

Box 11

Awards--Oversized--1982-1990