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R.A. Scotti Papers
1938-2009

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Number: 018-02

Title: R.A. Scotti Papers

Creator: Scotti, Rita A.

Dates: 1938-2009

Quantity: 2 boxes (.8 linear feet)

ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition: Gift of Francesca Chigounis in 2011.

Accruals: No accruals are expected.

Custodial history: Material was acquired from the creator's daughter.

Processed by: The collection was processed in 2015 by Janaya Kizzie.

Conservation: Not applicable.

Language: Materials are in English.

RIGHTS AND ACCESS

Access: This collection is open under the rules and regulations of the Providence Public Library, Special Collections department.

Preferred Citation: Researchers are requested to use the following citation format:
[item title], R. A. Scotti Papers, Rhode Island Collection, Providence Public Library

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INFORMATION FOR RESEARCHERS

Separated material None.

Published descriptions None.

Location of originals	Original materials related to Scotti's works other than <i>Sudden Sea</i> are at Loyola University Archives and Special Collections.
Location of copies	Copies of the material in this collection are available at the Loyola University Archives and Special Collections.
Publication note	This collection includes materials used for the publication of Scotti's work <i>Sudden Sea</i> published by Little Brown in 2004.
Subject headings	Hurricanes--New England--History--20th century Historiography Authors -- 21st century -- Archives

SEE ALSO

UA2011.50, R.A. Scotti Papers, Loyola University Archives and Special Collections.

HISTORICAL NOTE

Rita A. Scotti was born in Providence, Rhode Island on December 25, 1943 to Dr. Ciro Ottorino Scotti and Ursula Dwyer. She completed her undergraduate degree at Loyola University. As a journalist she worked for the Providence Journal and the Newark Star-Ledger. Her career as an author includes several works of fiction and non-fiction. *Sudden Sea* is a non-fiction account of the 1938 hurricane that devastated New England. Scotti died in 2010.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS OF THE COLLECTION

This collection documents the publication and marketing of R.A. Scotti's *Sudden Sea*, published in 2004. The collection includes photographs of the aftermath of the storm provided to Scotti by survivors as well as promotional material, the text of speeches and other material related to the promotion of the book.

ORGANIZATION OF THE COLLECTION

The collection is arranged in two series: 1. Material relating to *Sudden Sea*. 2. Photocopies of material relating to Scotti's other publications, the originals of which are housed at Loyola University's Archives and Special Collections.

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE COLLECTION

Series 1: Materials related to *Sudden Sea*

Title	Notes	Date	Box	Folder
Compact disc. " <i>Sudden Sea</i> promo essays & voice over" and printouts from text files		2003	1	1
Photographs used and referenced for <i>Sudden Sea</i>	Bulk are photographs from the 1930s; others are reprints from the 1930s. Includes handwritten notes on some photographs	1930s, 1938 and undated	1	2
Clippings of reviews of <i>Sudden Sea</i>		2003, 2005 (bulk 2003).	1	3
<i>Sudden Sea</i> promotional material	Includes some reviews	circa 2003	1	4
Typed speeches written by Rita A. Scotti regarding <i>Sudden Sea</i> and the Hurricane of 1938	Includes manuscript notes.	circa 2003-2004	1	5
Publishing cover proofs for <i>Sudden Sea</i>		circa 2005	1	6
Program from the Rhode Island Authors reception	R.A. Scotti is listed as an honoree	1989	1	7

Series 2: Photocopies of Scotti papers at Loyola University

Title	Date	Box	Folder
Photocopies of <i>Vanished Smile</i> covers/pictures/permissions	1984-2000	2	1
Photocopies of <i>Vanished Smile</i> draft	2008-2009	2	2
Photocopies of <i>Vanished Smile</i> reviews	2009	2	3
Photocopies of <i>Vanishing Smile</i> VHS Speech	2009	2	4
Photocopies of <i>Vanishing Smile</i> proposal	2009	2	5
Photocopies of <i>Vanishing Smile</i> (Mona Lisa) source material	2009	2	6
Photocopies of <i>Basilica : the splendor and the scandal : building St. Peter's</i> records	2005-2006	2	7
Photocopies of <i>Sudden Sea</i> records	2003-2005	2	8
Materials related to the fiction novels of R.A. Scotti: <i>The Kiss of Judas, The Hammer's Eye, The Devil's Own, The Love of Sarah.</i>	1984-2009, n.d.	2	9

