Hilary Mills Loomis:

A Preliminary Inventory of Her Collection of Norman Mailer at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

Creator: Mills, Hilary, 1946-.

Title: Hilary Mills Loomis Collection of Norman Mailer

Dates: 1982

Extent: 1 folder, 82 audio cassette tapes

Abstract: This brief collection description is an accession record. The

collection is not fully processed or cataloged; no creator's sketch,

descriptions of series, or indexes are available.

Call Number: Manuscript Collection MS-04992

Language: English

Access: Open for research

Administrative Information

Acquisition: Purchase, 2005 (R15394)

Processed by: Stephen Mielke, Jessica Rice, 2005

Repository: Harry Ransom Center, The University of Texas at Austin

Scope and Contents

This collection contains eighty-two, ½-inch audio cassette tapes recorded by Hilary Mills Loomis while researching her 1982 book *Mailer: A Biography*. Included are recordings of several news broadcasts related to the trial of Jack Henry Abbott, one interview with Norman Mailer, and interviews with over one hundred of his friends, family, and associates.

Individuals interviewed include Jack Henry Abbott, John Aldridge, Jay Allen, Lewis Allen, Theodore Amussen, James Baldwin, Richard Baron, Marvin Barrett, Anne Barry, Tina Bourjaily, Vance Bourjaily, Leo Braudy, Jimmy Breslin, Seymour Breslow, Bowden Broadwater, Chandler Brossard, Art Buchwald, Hallie Burnett, John Calley, Saul Chaplin, John Crockett, Robert Gorham Davis, Midge Decter, Edward DeGrazia, E. L. Doctorow, Roger Donald, Roger Donoghue, Anne Edwards, Jason Epstein, Cynthia Fagen, Edward Fancher, Buzz Farber, Howard Fast, Judy Feiffer, Clay Felker, Joe Flaherty, Dr. Friedman, Stanley Geist, Dr. Robert Gilruth, George Goethals, Ralph Graves, Germaine Greer, Tom Griffith, Robert Gutwillig, Mrs. Francis Gwaltney, Pete Hamill, Thomas Hanrahan, Harold Hayes, Lillian Hellman, Abbey Hoffman, Irving Howe, Anna Lou Humes, H. L. Humes, Peter Israel, Gloria Jones, Robert Joy, Howard Kaminsky, Harold Katz, Gene Kelly, Mickey Knox, Jill Krementz, Seymour Krim, John Leonard, Henrique Lopez, Adeline Lubell, Peter Maas, Jean Malaquais, Robert Markel. John Marquand, Dwight McDonald, Errol McDonald, Scott Meredith, Helen Meyer, Arthur Miller, Kate Millett, Walter Minton, Paul Montgomery, Willie Morris, Frederick Morton, Jack Newfield, Tom O'Horgan, Larry Olsen, Jan Olympitus, D. A. Pennebaker, George Plimpton, Norman Podhoretz, Dotson Rader, Marguerite Reese, Barney Rosset, Leo Rosten, Katie Rothaker, Jerry Rubin, Arthur Schlessinger, Jr., Tobias Schneebaum, Charles Scribner, Jr., Irwin Shaw, Beatrice Silverman, Jonathan Silverman, William Sladen, Lyle Stuart, Rose Styron, William Styron, Jerry Tallmer, Thomas Thompson, José Torres, Anthony Tuttle, Bill Ward, Richard Weinberg, Hannah Weinstein, Larry Weis, Michael Weller, Leslie Aldridge Westhoff, John Wilcock, Calder Willingham, and Daniel Wolf.

Also present is one handwritten letter to Loomis from Jack Henry Abbott dated June 26, 1982. Audio cassette tapes have been transferred to the Ransom Center Sound Recordings Collection. Digital copies will be made for use in the Ransom Center reading room upon request.

Related Material

Norman Mailer Papers. The University of Texas at Austin, Harry Ransom Center