

Robin Skelton:

An Inventory of His Collection at the Harry Ransom Center

Descriptive Summary

- Creator:** Skelton, Robin, 1925-1997
- Title:** Robin Skelton Collection
- Dates:** 1953-1962, undated
- Extent:** 1 document box (.42 linear feet)
- Abstract:** The collection contains handwritten and typed manuscripts and workings for British poet Robin Skelton's poetry collections *Patmos, and Other Poems* (1955), *Third Day Lucky* (1958), *Begging the Dialect* (1960), and *The Dark Window* (1962), accompanied by 25 sketches, collages, and paintings illustrative of the poems and made as notes towards the writing of them in many cases. Four additional poems (1953-1957) and a small group of letters from Skelton to Alan Hancox (1957-1960, undated) complete this small collection.
- Call Number:** Manuscript Collection MS--03862
- Language:** English
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Administrative Information

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Works:

Begging the Dialect (1960)	Container 1.1
The Dark Window (1962)	Container 1.2
Patmos and Other Poems (1955)	Container 1.3-4
Sketches, collages, paintings, 25 items, 1956-1962, undated	Container 1.5
Third Day Lucky (1958)	Container 1.6-7
Various poems:	Container
Elegy for Dead Splendour, 1953	Container 1.8
Hermione, 1956	
Notes for a still unwritten poem (or poems), 1957	
Penwith Landscape, 1955	

Letters:

Skelton, Robin. 13 letters to Hancox, Alan, 1957-1960, undated

Container
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