

# Sam Abrams papers

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Teaching Creative Writing, Advanced Creative Writing, Media Writing, Modern Poetry, Art of Poetry, English Composition, Walt Whitman, Senior Seminar. At various times served as: Faculty Advisor, Signatures (1979-1989, 1998-2000 ), student literary magazine; Coordinator, RIT Literary Series; Chair, Institute Library Committee; Chair, Gannett Distinguished Visiting Professor Search Committee; Member, Institute Creative Arts Committee; Member, Senior Seminar Syllabus Committee; Faculty Advisor, RIT Bicycle Club, Students for Sensible Drug Policy, Film/Video Search Committee; Computer Utilization Committee.

Retired 2004?

### **Box 1**

Gannett Professorship, Film Seminars, Digital Media Center, Letters & Correspondence, Poetry collections/class related materials

#### **File folder 1:** Joel Oppenheimer

Contains files on Joel Oppenheimer, including resume, letters of recommendation and various clippings

#### **File folder 2:** Gannett Chair

Contains files on various candidates for the Gannett Professorship Position, including resumes and committee notes

#### **File folder 3:** Ted Turner

Contains clippings and articles about Ted Turner and his lecture at RIT, as well as several small notes that don't make sense

#### **File folder 4:** Robert Flaherty Film Seminar

Contains files, flyers, and articles about the 1980 Flaherty Film Festival and the movies being screened

#### **File folder 5:** POAV

Contains brochures and clippings about poetry films and a poem-film festival

**File folder 6: The Independents**

Contains files and clippings regarding a film festival named "The Independents"

**File folder 7: Hitler to M-X**

Contains files about a film, "Hitler to M-X" which was shown at "The Independents" film festival

**File folder 8: ITI-HP**

Contains files about a proposed digital media center

Loose packet: Various Letters Commendatory

Contains a number of letters to Sam Abrams congratulating him for various efforts

**File folder 9: De Antonio**

Contains files regarding Emile de Antonio's lecture and visit, as well as an extensive correspondence regarding a \$100 wager between de Antonio and Abrams, which both claim the other lost

**File folder 10: Haiku**

Contains several haiku form poems

**File folder 11: CW packets 031**

Contains samples of poetry and biographical materials on various poets

**File folder 12: CW PO 971**

Contains packet of poetry papers by a creative writing class and several flyers for events

**Box 2**

Poetry files, miscellaneous loose files, United States of Poetry, Kristallnacht, Black History Month

**File folder 1: 90 Lit Leaders A-G**

Contains poems, articles by poets and articles about poets

Loose file 1: Distorter, April Fool's Day 1982

Loose file 2: Flyer, Emile de Antonio

Loose file 3: Poster, 4<sup>th</sup> of July Poetic Celebration

Loose file 4: Poster, The Independents Film Festival

Loose file 5: Poster, Filmmakers and their films, 1983

Loose file 6: Poster, Fall Filmmakers Series, GEH/RIT

Loose file 7: Poster, CASE recognition

**File folder 2: Poetry AV an MRC**

Contains files and clippings regarding Ginsberg and the United States of Poetry

**File folder 3: LitSer Kristallnacht**

Contains files, clippings and posters about the Literary Series commemoration of Kristallnacht in 1991

**File folder 4: K-nacht 92**

Contains files, clippings and posters about the Literary Series commemoration of Kristallnacht in 1992

**File folder 5: Poetic Just-Us 93**

Contains files and posters for Poetic Just-Us, a celebration of black history month in 1993

**File folder 6: Black Hist. Month 1992-**

Contains files and posters regarding Literary Series events for Black History Month

**Box 3**

1981-1994

**File folder 1: Happenings 81-82**

Contains files, flyers and posters about lectures, events, and proposals for lectures and events from 1981-1982

**File folder 2: Literary series 1984**

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1984

**File folder 3: Institute Creative Arts 1987**

Contains files and flyers about Spring Weekend and the Creative Arts Committee meeting

**File folder 4: Literary series 1987-1988**

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1987-1988

**File folder 5: Literary series 1988-1989**

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1988-1989

**File folder 6: LITSER 90**

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1990

**File folder 7:** 1990 Lit Lectures H-2

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1990

**File folder 8:** LITSER 91/2

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1991-1992

**File folder 9:** LITSER 92-3

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1992-1993

**File folder 10:** LITSER 94

Contains files and flyers regarding the Literary Series lectures from 1994

**Box 4**

Writers proposal, Assorted Literary Series files, Poets A-Ba

**File folder 1:** Writers Proposal

Contains files about early literary lectures and a proposal for a series of literary lectures

**File folder 2:** Samples of Literary series

Contains clippings and posters for various literary events and lectures

**File folder 3:** Assorted flyers

Contains assorted flyers about literary events and lectures

**File folder 4:** Addison Thompson

**File folder 5:** Addison '93

**File folder 6:** AL & Amiri -89

**File folder 7:** Antler

**File folder 8:** Baraka

**File folder 9:** Baraka

**File folder 11:** Baraka

**Box 5:** Poets Br-K

**File folder 1:** Bronk

**File folder 2:** Carruth

**File folder 3:** Codrescu

**File folder 4:** Jim Cohn

**File folder 5:** Jim Cohn

**File folder 6:** Joe Dawson "The Wheel"

**File folder 7:** Delany

**File folder 8:** ELD (Doctorow)

**File folder 9:** Cornelius Eady

**File folder 10:** Ginzo (Ginsberg)  
**File folder 11:** Hagedon 1984  
**File folder 12:** Holman  
**File folder 13:** Holman HOs  
**File folder 14:** Hettie Jones  
**File folder 15:** Charlie King  
**File folder 16:** Kingston Lectures

**Box 6:** Poets L-Z

**File folder 1:** Morrison  
**File folder 2:** Rakosi  
**File folder 3:** Ish Reed  
**File folder 4:** Rixon  
**File folder 5:** 97 Sanders  
**File folder 6:** E Sanders  
**File folder 7:** Ed Sanders  
**File folder 8:** Gary Snyder  
**File folder 9:** Snyder  
**File folder 10:** Anne Waldman  
**File folder 11:** Philip Whelan