

Ann Credidio, BVM, Papers 1989-2005, undated

Creator: Ann Credidio, BVM

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Biographical History

Ann Credidio, BVM, is the founder of Damien House and its related charities. Damien House is an organization dedicated to the care of patients with Hansen's Disease, also known as leprosy, in Guayaquil, Ecuador. In the late 1980s, Sr. Ann volunteered to teach and care for patients of the leprosy wing of a Guayaquil hospital. Realizing the many needs of these patients, she formed Damien House in the 1990s as both a distinct segment of the hospital and as a charitable foundation based in Chicago, Illinois. She continues to care for patients directly as well as travel to the United States on speaking and fund-raising tours.

In 2018, Credidio accepted the Martyrs Award on behalf of Damien House. The Martyrs Award is presented annually to a faith-based individual or organization that embodies the values of the Salvadoran martyrs, being champions of social justice and serving marginalized communities.

Scope and Content

This collection spans the years 1989 to 2005 and includes two series: Articles and Audiovisual Materials. The bulk of the papers documents Sr. Ann Credidio's work at Damien House. The collection is organized alphabetically within each series.

Series 1: Articles, 1998-2003, Box 1

This series contains articles about Damien House, leprosy in South America, and Ann Credidio. The majority are written in Spanish and are from South American newspapers.

Series 2: Audiovisual, 1989-2005, undated, Box 1

This series contains six DVDs and two Hi8 video tapes (XR-Metal). The DVDs document the work of Damien House. Several DVDs are primarily in Spanish.

Subjects:

Damien House
Ann Credidio, BVM
Hansen's Disease

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		Series 1: Articles, 1998-2003	
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		Series 2: Audiovisual, 1989-2005, undated	
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1	4	DVDs: Volume 2 (Spanish)	1997, 1998
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1	6	DVDs: Volume 4 (English)	undated
1	7	DVDs: Volume 5 (1 of 2) (English)	2004
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1	9	Listing of DVDs' Contents	2005
1	10	Hi8 video tape: Interview with Ann Credidio (1 of 2)	2005
1	11	Hi8 video tape: Interview with Ann Credidio (2 of 2)	2005