

Orletta Ryan Papers ***1963-1967, 2006, 2012, undated***

Creator: Orletta Ryan (d. 2008)

Extent: 0.25 linear feet (1 box)

Language: English

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See Also: None

Biographical History

Orletta Ryan was born in Chicago and graduated from Mundelein College. Afterwards, she taught elementary school children in Chicago and eventually East Harlem. While in New York City, she wrote *The Schoolchildren: Growing Up in the Slums* with Mary Frances Greene, a fellow teacher. Subsequently, she wrote an article about city schoolchildren, which was published in the February 13, 1966 issue of *New York Times Magazine*. Both writings were highly commended. Orletta Ryan Carlton died in 2008.

Scope and Content

The Orletta Ryan papers consist of 0.25 linear feet (1 box) and are dated between 1963 and 2012. Materials are divided into three series: Personal/Professional, Publications, and Monographs.

Series 1: Personal/Professional Materials, 1963-1967, 2006, undated, Box 1

These folders include correspondence with publishers and some personal letters.

Series 2: Publications, 1966, 2012, undated, Box 1

Includes a copy of the 1966 *New York Times Magazine* article, reviews of *The Schoolchildren: Growing Up in the Slums*, and a NYT article on Orletta Ryan.

Series 3: Monographs, 1965-1967, Box 1

Subjects:

Education, Elementary.

Education--New York (State)--New York.

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Box	Folder	Title	Dates
		<i>Orletta Ryan Papers</i> <i>1963-1967, 2006, 2012, undated</i>	
		Series 1: Personal/Professional, 1963-1967, 2006, undated	
1	1	Correspondence: Miscellaneous	1966, undated
1	2	Correspondence: <i>New York Times Magazine</i> article	1963-1967
1	3	Correspondence: <i>The Schoolchildren: Growing Up in the Slums</i>	2006
		Series 2: Publications, 1966, 2012, undated	
1	4	<i>New York Times Magazine</i> article, "I Get One More "U," My Mother Goin' to Beat Me Till It Rains' – Child in a Harlem Classroom"	1966
1	5	<i>The Schoolchildren: Growing Up in the Slums</i> Reviews	1966, undated
1	6	<i>In Activist Beloved by Catholic Left, Conservative Cardinal Sees a Saint</i>	2012
		Series 3: Monographs, 1965-1967	
1	7	<i>The Schoolchildren: Growing Up in the Slums</i> hardcover	1965
1	8	<i>The Schoolchildren: Growing Up in the Slums</i> paperback	1967