FWWCP Collection Contents Overview

The FEDERATION OF WORKER WRITERS AND COMMUNITY PUBLISHERS (FWWCP) COLLECTION

IDENTITY STATEMENT

Title: Federation of Worker Writers and Community Publishers (FWWCP)

Collection

Dates of creation: 1970s - 2007, with some publications continuing to present

Extent: 85 boxes

CONTEXT

Administrative/biographical history: The Federation of Worker Writers and Community Publishers was a network of writing and publishing groups that began in 1976 in London, England. Eight original groups met at Centerprise bookshop in Hackney and formed the FWWCP which self-published working-class writing until 2007. These groups published testimony about working-class experience, including topics of migration, language, gender, vocation, sexuality, food, and more. After 2007, the FWWCP folded and reformed as the FED, which is currently still active.

Custodial History: The publications and administrative documents were donated by FWWCP members, including Nick Pollard, Ken Worpole, Roger Mills, Sally Flood, and more. The majority of the documents were deposited by Nick Pollard with the TUC Collections, London Metropolitan University in 2014.

CONTENT & STRUCTURE

Accruals: There may be further deposits.

System of arrangement: The collection is arranged in 85 boxes, with two main distinctions: Publications and Administrative Publications. The publications are arranged based on the region of publication. The Administrative Publications are arranged by type (ex: minutes; annual reports; magazines, etc.). See following information for more information on how to find specific contents.

CONDITIONS OF ACCESS

Access conditions: open

Physical Conditions: generally good

Finding Aids: There are digital and printed Research/Reading guides based on important themes within the FWWCP Collection, such as Art, Food, Gender, Local London, Migration, Sexuality, War, Work, and more.

Description Notes: Entries compiled by Dr. Jessica Pauszek and Vincent Portillo

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The following is a listing of the holdings included in the Federation of Worker Writers and Community Publishers (FWWCP) Collection. The holdings are organized into two main categories: first, the publications by the FWWCP; second, the administrative documents (meeting minutes; grant applications; funding applications; festival planning documents; annual reports; etc.).

Navigating the FWWCP Collection

Here we want to say a few words about the organisation of the holdings. The region of publication was important to members of the FWWCP. For instance, publications often showcase regional dialect, vocation, and cultural traditions. Therefore, based on the desire of the FWWCP/FED members, we have organised the holdings according to region of publication. Currently, the holdings are organised according to 14 regions, each of which is numbered this way:

01 NW (North West)

02 NE (North East)

03 Y (Yorkshire)

04 WM (West Midlands)

05 EM (East Midlands)

06 SW (South West)

07 SE (South East)

08 L (London)

09 NI (Northern Ireland)

10 S (Scotland)

11 W (Wales)

12 E (Europe)

13 US (United States)

14 I (International Publications)

Two boxes are marked RM in the collection, and these are publications from Roger Mills that represent some of the FWWCP's diversity. They are currently used for presentations and can be found in RM 1 and RM 2 boxes. Once organised according to region, a second set of numbers is used to identify the box where a document can be found. **Example holding:** FWWCP/ REGION #, REGION LETTER, BOX #. Take, for example, the following listing: FWWCP/ 08 L 02, which indicates a document – in this case, Sally Flood's *Paper Talk* – can be found in Region 8 (London) in box number 2.

The administrative documents of the FWWCP can be found in boxes beginning with the number 15. Each box contains different contents, including minutes, annual reports, in-process writing, festival planning documents, etc., and is labeled as such.

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FWWCP/ 01 NW 01 - 10

Publications from the North West Region

FWWCP/ 02 NE 01 - 03

Publications from the North East Region

FWWCP/ 03 Y 01 - 13

Publications from the Yorkshire Region

FWWCP/ 04 WM 01 - 03

Publications from the West Midlands Region

FWWCP/ 05 EM 01 - 02

Publications from the East Midlands Region

FWWCP/ 06 SW 01 - 05

Publications from the South West Region

FWWCP/ 07 SE 01 - 05

Publications from the South East Region

FWWCP/ 08 L 01 - 15

Publications from London

FWWCP/ 09 NI 01

Publications from Northern Ireland

FWWCP/ 10 S 01 - 02

Publications from Scotland

FWWCP/ 11 W 01 - 02

Publications from Wales

FWWCP/ 12 E 01 - 04

Publications from Europe

FWWCP/ 13 US 01

Publications from the United States of America

FWWCP/ 14 I 01

Publications from International Groups (Including but not limited to Australia, Canada, New Zealand.)

ADMINISTRATIVE DOCUMENTS AND PUBLICATIONS FWWCP/ 15 AP 01

Federation Magazine, FED News, Newsletters

FWWCP/ 15 AP 02

Anthologies and Publications

FWWCP/ 15 AP 03

Annual Reports (Beginning 1979-2005)

FWWCP/ 15 AP 04

Constitutional Documents (Includes copies of FWWCP Constitution.)

FWWCP/ 15 AP 05

FWWCP Minutes (From 1976 - 2015)

FWWCP/ 15 AP 06

Member Group Applications

(Includes applications with supporting documentation and correspondence.)

FWWCP/15 AP 07

Member Group Applications, cont.

(Includes applications with supporting documentation and correspondence.)

FWWCP/15 AP 08

Group and Individual Membership

(Includes names of members and correspondence.)

FWWCP/15 AP 09

Budget and Finance

(Includes budgets, financial reports and FWWCP development and event reports from 1977-1993. Also includes external financial documents such as FWWCP insurance claims, plane ticket records, work order bills, etc., and co-operative forms, funding, and correspondence.)

FWWCP/15 AP 10

Budget and Finance

(Includes budgets, financial reports and FWWCP development and event reports from 1994-2004.)

FWWCP/15 AP 11

Business Accounts, 2001

FWWCP/15 AP 12

Fed Festivals, Workshops, Pamphlets, Advertising

Information, and Feedback Forms

(Includes FWWCP flyers, calls for writers, advertisements, graphic logo.

FED Fest posters, flyers, meeting agendas, typed and handwritten notes. Also includes information about FED Fest workshops, descriptions of workshops, schedule of events, and course feedback. Fed magazine and leaflets, forms, and feedback.)

FWWCP/15 AP 13

Member Group Events, Workshops, and Publication. Advertising, Press Releases. (Includes Individual groups within the FED: proposals, general information, meeting notes, workshop information. Posters from the TEC/CRRIAC Conference in France, Press releases. Pamphlets and brochures. Publicity for FED events, publications, writing groups and more. Press releases and event information for individual member groups of FWWCP.)

FWWCP/ 15 AP 14

"Writing For A Change" Submissions

(Includes submissions to the writing FWWCP contest "Writing for a Change" and applications/requests for entry forms.)

FWWCP/ 15 AP 15

Misc Writing by Members

FWWCP/15 AP 16

Misc Documents About Pecket Well College

FWWCP/15 AP 17

Writing and Articles About the FWWCP/FED

FWWCP/15 AP 18

Various Educational and Adult Literacy Documents

FWWCP/15 AP 19

Multimedia tapes, CDs, and photographs featuring FWWCP events and/or groups