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MS 1136

AIAS Ethnographic Film Conference

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Collection Summary

Collection no:	MS 1136
Title:	AIAS Ethnographic Film Conference 1978
Creator:	Australian Institute of Aboriginal Studies (AIAS)
Date range:	1976– 1979
Extent	0.42 linear metres (2 x Type 1 Archival boxes and 1 x Phamplet box)
Repository:	Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies

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Country

Canberra (ACT SI55-16)

Collection Overview

Scope and Contents note

The collection comprises of material relating to the AIAS Ethnographic Film Conference, that took place in Canberra 12-19 May 1978 and includes: correspondence such as original handwritten letters, photocopies of letters, emails, and telegram messages; draft outlines of conference program; presentation proposals; lists of guest names and contact information; list of films; submission forms for films; meetings, budget, and funding records.

Provenance

Documentation produced by the AIAS Film Unit.

Material separated from the collection

No material has been separated from this collection.

Related material

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Items from this collection should be cited as: Title or description of manuscript item, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, MS Number, Series Number, Subseries Number, Item or Folder Number.

For example:

Draft program of conference, AIAS Ethnographic Film Conference, Australian Institute of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Studies, MS 1136, Series 1, Item 2.

Archivists note

Further records relating to the AIAS 1978 Ethnographic Film Conference, were located by AIATSIS audiovisual staff, and added to MS 1136 in October 2023. The folder titles are transcribed from the information on the original folders provided.

Series Description

This series comprise a variation of working and administration documents relating to the 1978 AIAS Ethnographic Film Conference.

Series 1, Ethnographic Film Conference. 1978

Folder/Item

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| MS 1136/1/1 | 1975 – 1978.
Photocopy of final program of conference; Conference Minutes; List of participants; Various papers presented at the conference |
| MS 1136/1/2 | UNESCO Round Table Conference on the Ethnographic Film. 1982 – 1978.

Correspondence; Draft program of conference; Meeting agenda; Report of meeting; Handwritten notes. |
| MS 1136/1/3 | Ethnographic Film Conference – Miscellaneous. 1906 – 1979.

Correspondence; List of names and contacts; Draft program for conference; Newspaper articles; Article of conference (Does this mean an article about the conference?); Papers relating to films presented and their synopsis. |
| MS 1136/1/4 | AIAS Conference 1978 (1 of 2). 1972 – 1997.

Correspondence; Guest list; Draft program of conference; Handwritten list of films, participants, and notes; Application forms to attend conference.

AIAS Conference 1978 (2 of 2). 1921 – 1978.

Correspondence; Handwritten notes; Minutes; Submission form; Budget balance. |
| MS 1136/1/5 | 76/8 Ethnographic Film Conference 1978 List of Participants. 1977 – 1978. |

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Correspondence; Name tags; Caption list; List of names and contact information.

Films – Requests for Possible Screening – Ethno Film Conf. 1972 -1978.

Correspondence; List of films and synopsis; Film request slip; Submission forms; News article; Delivery slip; Registration form; Handwritten notes.

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Films Returned – Ethnographic Film Conference. 1978.

Compilation of various papers.

76/8 Ethnographic Film Conference 1978 Transcriptions/tapes. 1976 – 1979.
Correspondence; Loan slips; Report on workshop; Payment slips; Labels; Issue notes; List of tapes.

76/8 Ethnographic Conference 1978 Task Force. 1979 – 1979.

Correspondence; List of names; Code of ethics; Guidelines; Minutes.

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Film Solicitations – May Conference. 1980 – 1979.

Correspondence; Request form; List of papers for pre-circulation.

Ethnographic Film Volume – Solicitations of Papers etc. 1977 – 1978.

Correspondence; Schedule; Handwritten note; Film and videotape information sheets; Film booking slip; List of films.

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Ethnographic Film Conference 1978 – Transcriptions. 1978.

Conference paper Title 'Social, Documentary and Visual Anthropology', Author Ruby, Jay and Heider, Karl.

No. 21 Richard Chalfen "Home Movies as Cultural Documents". 1978.

Conference paper Title 'Home Movies as Cultural Documents', Author MacDougall, David and Chalfen, Richard

Jorge Preloran Human Documents Rec'd 30/6/78. 1978.

Conference paper; Titled 'Human Documents', Author 'Preloran, Jorge'.

Mail to David MacDougall. 1978.

Conference paper Title 'On the Vicissitudes of Self: The Possessed Dance, the Magician, the Sorcerer, the Filmmaker and the Ethnographer', Author Rouch, Jean.

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M. Dougall. N.d.

Conference paper Title 'New Directions in Ethnographic Film', Author Young, Colin.

1978 – 1979.

Conference papers; Title 'Stuffing Tribal Australia', Author Kentish, Duncan; Title 'What will they see?: A Presentation with Film Excerpts and a Discussion of their Effect in the Classroom', Author Hill, Marji and Barlow, Alex; Title 'Visual Evidence: Teaching with the Face of Change series', Author Miller, N, Norman.

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