

**BRUTEAU, BEATRICE, 1930-2014.**  
**Beatrice Bruteau collection, 1971-2007**

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**Descriptive Summary**

**Creator:** Bruteau, Beatrice, 1930-2014.  
**Title:** Beatrice Bruteau collection, 1971-2007  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 426  
**Extent:** .8 cubic feet (2 boxes)  
**Abstract:** Contains the writings of Beatrice Bruteau, a Christian philosopher who worked in the field of inter-spirituality and contemplative thought.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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## Collection Description

### Biographical Note

Beatrice Bruteau was born on July 25, 1930 in Evanston, Illinois. She was one of the first women accepted into Fordham University's graduate program in philosophy where she earned a doctor in philosophy degree in 1954. She also studied Vedanta, Catholic Christianity, and evolutionary consciousness. Bruteau married James Somerville, a professor at Fordham, and together, they founded the Schola Comtemplatonis. She was also one of the founders for American Teilhard Association in 1967. She is one of the first few who participated in East-West dialogue, as well as inter-spirituality.

During her life, Bruteau had published twelve books and over one hundred articles, including *Radical Optimism* (1993) and *God's Ecstasy: The Creation of a Self-Creating World* (1997). She served as a co-editor and contributor to the journal, *American Vedantist*, from 1995 to 2007, and Managing Editor of *International Philosophical Quarterly*. Near the final stages of her life, Bruteau was diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease. On November 16, 2014, Bruteau died at the age of 84, and a Memorial Service for her was conducted at Knollwood Baptist Church on November 24, 2014.

### Scope and Content Note

This collection contains a bibliography and writings (journal articles, anthology essays, unpublished essays) of Bruteau.

### Arrangement Note

The materials are kept in the original order in which they were received (organized by type: bibliography, articles, essays; then by date). The collection was received in a series of binders; the contents of each binder was transferred to a single folder.

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## Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Bibliography of Beatrice Bruteau, circa 2007

### Binder I:1-15 (1971-1976)

1	2	"Sri Aurobindo and the Vision of A New Age," <i>Portal</i> , 1971
1	2	"Teilhard de Chardin: The Amorization of the World," <i>World Union</i> , 1972
1	2	"Sri Aurobindo and Teilhard de Chardin on the Problem of Action," <i>International Philosophical Quarterly</i> , 1972
1	2	"Evolution in Religion: A Study in Sri Aurobindo and Pierre Teilhard de Chardin," <i>Oxford Univ. Press</i> , 1971
1	2	"The Image of the Virgin-Mother," <i>The American Sophist</i> , 1973
1	2	"The Divine Mother and the Convergence of the World," <i>World Union</i> , 1973
1	2	"Is World-Negation Taught by the Indian Scriptures? Sankara's Answer and Sri Aurobindo's," <i>Mother India</i> , 1973
1	2	"The Return of the Goddess," <i>The American Theosophist</i> , 1974
1	2	"The Gird-Maker," <i>Fields Within Fields</i> , 1975
1	2	"The Activation of Human Energy: Spiritual Evolution Toward Omega," <i>Prabuddha Bharata</i> , 1975
1	2	"The Activation of Human Energy: Pan-Christism and the World to Come," <i>Prabuddha Bharata</i> , 1975
1	2	"The Activation of Human Energy: Faith in the Future: Zest for Life," <i>Prabuddha Bharata</i> , 1975
1	2	"The Search for the Sacred," <i>Human Dimensions</i> , 1975
1	2	"The Whole World A Convergence Perspective," <i>Anima</i> , 1975
1	2	"A Feminine Image of God," <i>Mother India</i> , 1976

### Binder II: 16-25 (1977-1980)

1	3	"Neo-Feminism and the Next Revolution in Consciousness," <i>Anima</i> , 1977
1	3	"Neo-Feminism and the Next Revolution in Consciousness," <i>Cross Currents</i> , 1977
1	3	"Pierre Teilhard De Chardin," <i>Prabuddha Bharata</i> , 1977
1	3	"The Holy Thursday Revolution," <i>Liturgy</i> , 1978
1	3	"Neo-Feminism as Communion Consciousness," <i>Anima</i> , 1978
1	3	"Humanity in the Image of the Trinitarian God," <i>Prabuddha Bharata</i> , 1979
1	3	"The Psychic Grid: Ab Eoustenikigucak Nidek," <i>International Philosophical Quarterly</i> , 1980

### Binder III: 26-38 (1981-1985)

1	4	"Prayer and Identity," <i>Contemplative Review</i> , 1981
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- 1 4 "Education For Creativity," *The Theosophist*, 1981
- 1 4 "Teilhard de Chardin and Creative Freedom," *Prabuddha Bharata*, 1981
- 1 4 "From Dominus to Amicus: Contemplative Insight and a New Social Order,"  
*Cross Currecnt*, 1981
- 1 4 "The Living One: Transendent Freedom Creates the Future," *Cistercian Studies*,  
1983
- 1 4 "Insight and Manifestation: A Way of Prayer in a Christian Context-I,"  
*Prabuddha Bharata*, 1983
- 1 4 "Prayer: Insight and Manifestation," *Contemplative Review*, 1983
- 1 4 "Persons in Communion: Perichoresis," *The Theosophist*, 1983
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- 1 4 "Activating Human Energy for the Grand Option," *Cistercian Studies*, 1984
- 1 4 "In the Cave of the Heart: Silence and Realization," *New Blackfriars*, 1984
- 1 4 "Entering the Heart of Jesus: Devotion, Renunciation and Faith," *Cistercian  
Studies*, 1985
- 1 4 "Global Spirituality and the Integration of East and West," *Cross Currents*, 1985

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- 1 5 "Trinitarian Personhood," *Cistercian Studies*, 1987
- 1 5 "Following Jesus into Faith," *The Journal of Christian Healing*, 1988
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- 1 5 "Trinitarian World," *Cistercian Studies*, 1989
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- 1 5 "From the Hurting Chain to the Freedom Chain," *Fellowship in Prayer*, 1990
- 1 5 "Pracice to Become Whole," *Living Prayer*, 1990
- 1 5 "The Great Sabbath," *The New Blackfriars*, 1990

**Binder V: 49-59 (1990-1993)**

- 1 6 "Second Sight: Looking at the World with New Eyes," *The Theosophist*, 1990
- 1 6 "Eucharistic Ecology and Ecological Spirituality," *Cross Currents*, 1990-1991
- 1 6 "On Being Observant," *Cistercian Studies*, 1991
- 1 6 "Une Ecole Du Silence," *Invitations*, 1991
- 1 6 "Notes for an Easter Contemplation," *The Theosophist*, 1991
- 1 6 "Feature Book Review: Merton and Walsh on the Person," *International  
Philosophical Quarterly*, 1991
- 1 6 "Intervention in a discussion on "Desire," The Work of God/Us," *Cross Currents*,  
1991
- 1 6 "On Being Observant," *The Theosophist*, 1992
- 1 6 "Apprenticing to Jesus the Healer," *The Journal of Christian Healing*, 1993

**Binder VI: 60-73 (1993-1995)**

- 2 1 "The Trinitarian Community," *Living Prayer*, 1993  
 2 1 "Esoteric Christianity,"  
 2 1 "Dom Bede Griffith: Vedantic Christian," *Vedanta Free Press*, 1993-1994  
 2 1 "An Easter Contemplation," *Fellowship in Prayer*, 1994  
 2 1 "The Sign of Contradiction," *Living Prayer*, 1994  
 2 1 "Living is Dying," *Living Prayer*, 1995  
 2 1 "Take Up Your Bed and Walk," *Spirit and Life*, 1995  
 2 1 "Nicodemus By Night," *Sisters Today*, 1995  
 2 1 "Remain in Bhavamukha," *Vedanta Free Press*, 1994  
 2 1 "Giving is Gaining," *Living Prayer*, 1995  
 2 1 "I Call You Friends," *Spirit and Life*, 1995  
 2 1 "The Both-And Principle," *Vedanta Free Press*, 1995

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- 2 2 "The Seven Husbands of the Samaritan Woman," *Living Prayer*, 1995  
 2 2 "Householder Monastics: A new Venture," *American Vedantist*, 1995  
 2 2 "Feast of Saint Andrew," *Living Prayer*, 1995  
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 2 2 "Creation Waits," *Spirit and Life*, 1997  
 2 2 "The Path Through Human Consciousness," *The Theosophist*, 1998  
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 2 2 "Creative Spirituality: Knowing by Being," *Thequest*, 1998  
 2 2 "The New Wholeness, or Life in the Planetary Village," *The Theosophist*, 1998  
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**Binder VIII: 90-106 (1999-2001)**

- 2 3 "Jesus The Living Torah," *Spirit and Life*, 1999  
 2 3 "Living is Dying," *The Theosophist*, 1999  
 2 3 "The Sign of Contradiction," *The Theosophist*, 1999  
 2 3 "Advent: Desiring the Infinite," *Spirit and Life*, 1999  
 2 3 "Giving is Gaining," *The Theosophist*, 1999  
 2 3 "The Church's Banquet," *Spirit and Life*, 2000  
 2 3 "Theology and Practice of Social Service," *American Vedantist*, 2000  
 2 3 "The Planetary Parliament," *The Theosophist*, 2000

- 2 3 "Toxic Work and the Time Bind: Can Vedanta Help?," *American Vedantist*, 2000  
 2 3 "Virtues of Apostleship," *Spirit and Life*, 2001  
 2 3 "The Scandal of Exclusivism," *The Theosophist*, 2001  
 2 3 "The Witness Self," *American Vedantist*, 2001  
 2 3 "Adversity and Destiny," *Spirit and Life*, 2001

**Binder IX: 107-125 (1973, 1999, 2002-2007, undated)**

- 2 4 "The Scandal of Exclusivism," *American Vedantist*, 2002  
 2 4 "Philosophy As a Spiritual Practice The Platonic Example," *American Vedantist*, 2003  
 2 4 "Mysticism, Self-Discovery, And Social Transformation," *The Quest*, 2003  
 2 4 "The Golden String," *The Golden String*, 2003  
 2 4 "A Eucharistic Path to God-Union and Creativity," *American Vedantist*, 2004  
 2 4 "The Unknown Goddess," *American Vedantist*, 2005  
 2 4 "Theotokos and Shekhinah," *American Vedantist*, 2005  
 2 4 "Finding Novelty in an Old Religion," *American Vedantist*, 2006  
 2 4 "Mysticism and Social Transformation," *Prabuddha Bharata*, 2006  
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 2 4 "Facing Fanaticism: Vivekananda's Spiritual Democracy," *American Vedantist*, 2007  
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 2 4 "Dialog-Vedanta for the West," *American Vedantist*, 2007  
 2 4 "Saving Jesus," *Radical Grace*, 2007  
 2 4 "The Cosmos as God's Ecstasy," *Video Text: Earth Communications*, 1999  
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 2 4 "Circumambulating Arunachala: Transcendent Ground and Wonderful World," (unpublished)  
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 2 4 "A Portrait of Women Spiritual Leaders in America," *Skylight Paths*, 2003

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 2 5 "Science and the Psychic Grids," *Science Yoga and Theosophy*. Madras, India: Theosophical Publishing House, 1977  
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- 2 6 "Sabbath Consciousness," *Finding A Way*. Edited by L. Zirker. Boston: Tuttle, 1996.
- 2 6 "Renunciation," *Woman, Why Are You Weeping?*. Edited by T. J. Borchard. New York: Crossroad, 1997
- 2 6 "Creator God," *Let It Be*. Edited by T. J. Borchard. New York: Crossroad, 1998
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- 2 6 "Eucharistic Cosmos," *The Merton Annual*. Edited by V. A. Kramer. Collegeville, MN: The Liturgical Press, 1998.
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