## Descriptive Summary

**Creator:** Blackburn, Joyce.

**Title:** Joyce Blackburn papers, 1965-1999

**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 578

**Extent:** 16.75 linear feet (26 boxes), 1 oversized papers box and 1 oversized box folder (OP), and 1 oral history (OH)

**Abstract:** Papers of children's author, biographer, and broadcaster Joyce Knight Blackburn of St. Simon's Island, Georgia.

**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

## Administrative Information

### Restrictions on Access

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### Additional Physical Form

Manuscripts also available as published works.

### Source

Gift, 1978, with subsequent additions.

### Citation

[after identification of item(s)], Joyce Blackburn papers, Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, Emory University.
Collection Description

Biographical Note
Joyce Knight Blackburn, author and broadcaster, was born November 1, 1920, in Mt. Vernon, Indiana, and lived on St. Simon's Island, Georgia. She is known for her children's fiction and biographies and is the author Of Suki And The Invisible Peacock (1965) and other Suki books; and biographies of Theodore Roosevelt, Martha Berry, George Wythe, and others. She died October 23, 2009.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of Joyce Knight Blackburn from 1965-1999. The papers include typescripts, drafts and manuscripts, notes, research materials, galley proofs, visual materials, correspondence, articles, sound recordings, certificates, and biographical information. Typescripts include those for the Suki books and several biographies. Correspondence is with publishers and illustrator Stephanie Clayton; some concerns Blackburn's civic activities. Visual materials include photographs of Blackburn and Eugenia Price, children's artwork in response to the Suki books, and illustrations by Clayton for the Suki books. Sound recordings are of Suki And The Invisible Peacock. Drafts are of manuscripts for publication and for WMBI radio broadcasts (1945).

Arrangement Note
Arranged by record type; some additions unprocessed.
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A Book of Praises

Ft. Frederica materials

Correspondence, miscellaneous 1967-1971

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Correspondence, miscellaneous 1976-1978

Correspondence, miscellaneous 1979-1980

Correspondence, Ausburg Publishing House, 1971

Correspondence, Doubleday, 1978-1979, undated


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Correspondence, Mott Media, 1980

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Books by Joyce Blackburn

Suki series

Suki and the Invisible Peacock

Suki und der Unsichtbare Pfau

Suki and the Old Umbrella

Suki and the Wonder Star

Suki and the Wonder Star; Illustrations by Stephanie Clayton; 24 Suki drawings (copy) with 3 page carbon letter from Joyce Blackburn to artist; Original cover art for Suki and the Wonder Star

Suki and the Magic Sand Dollar

Theodore Roosevelt: Naturalist, Statesman

Martha Berry, Little Woman with a Big Dream: correspondence, 1968-1969

Martha Berry, Little Woman with a Big Dream: printed material, 1986

Martha Berry, Little Woman with a Big Dream: research notes and photos
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Martha Berry, A Woman of Courageous Spirit and Bold Dreams, copy of book, 1986

James Edward Oglethorpe

John Adams

The Earth is the Lord's?, correspondence, 1971-1975

The Earth is the Lord's?, photocopied typescript, pages 29-70

The Earth is the Lord's?, photocopied typescript, pages 71-100

The Earth is the Lord's?, photocopied typescript pages 101-145

The Earth is the Lord's?, printed material, 1972-1973

George Wythe of Williamsburg


The Bloody Summer of 1742: A Colonial Boys' Journal, correspondence and manuscript notes

The Bloody Summer of 1742: A Colonial Boys' Journal, photocopy of typescript

Civic Activities

St. Simons Concerned Citizen's Association: correspondence, 1971-1975

St. Simons Concerned Citizen's Association: collected material, 1974, 1976, undated

St. Simons Concerned Citizen's Association: manuscript notes, undated

St. Simons Concerned Citizen's Association: printed material, 1973-1975, undated

Committee for the Humanities, 1972-1974, 1979, undated


Unprocessed additions

Certificates: appreciation, recognition, and honor, 1984, 1987, undated

Photograph, Joyce Blackburn and Eugenia Price, 1974

Receipt, 1975

Printed material by or about Joyce Blackburn, 1971-1972, 1975, undated

Printed material, 1973-1974

Correspondence and printed material, 1997-1999

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Photographs and printed material

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