CHASE-RIBOUD, BARBARA.
Barbara Chase-Riboud papers, circa 1939-2014

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Chase-Riboud, Barbara.
Title: Barbara Chase-Riboud papers, circa 1939-2014
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1292
Extent: 53.5 linear feet (54 boxes), 2 oversized papers folders (OP) and 2 extra-
oversized papers (XOP)
Abstract: Papers of artist and novelist Barbara Chase-Riboud including
correspondence, writings by Chase-Riboud, photographs, research material,
and audiovisual material.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access
Special restrictions apply: Files of correspondence between Barabara Chase-Riboud and her
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Separated Material
Emory also holds a complete set of Barbara Chase-Riboud's published work. These materials
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author.

Source
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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Barbara Chase-Riboud (1939-), sculptor, novelist, and poet, was born to Vivian May Chase and Charles Edward Chase in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. She has degrees in fine arts from Temple University and Yale University and studied in Rome on a John Hay Whitney Fellowship. In 1961, she married French photographer Marc Riboud and moved to Paris. She has two sons with Riboud: Alexis Riboud and David Riboud. Chase-Riboud is a sculptor whose work has been exhibited in museums around the world as well as an award-winning novelist. Her works include Sally Hemings: A Novel, a fictionalized account of the relationship between Sally Hemings and Thomas Jefferson, that won the 1980 Janet Heidinger Kafka Prize for Excellence in Fiction by an American Woman.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the papers of Barbara Chase-Riboud from circa 1939-2014, including correspondence, writings by Chase-Riboud, photographs, research material, and audiovisual material. The majority of the collection is research for and drafts of Chase-Riboud's novels and poetry From Memphis and Peking (1974); Sally Hemings: A Novel (1979); Love Perfecting (1980); Valide: A Novel of the Harem (1986); Portrait of a Nude Woman as Cleopatra (1987); Echo of Lions (1989); The President's Daughter (1994); Hottentot Venus (2004); and Every Time a Knot is Undone, a God is Released (2014). There are also drafts of several unpublished works including Equinox and Manderville Outline, as well as a heavily annotated volume of Selected Poems by e.e. cummings which was a college project of Chase-Riboud. There is also a significant amount of material relating to Chase-Riboud's involvement in a lawsuit against Dreamworks film studio over the film Amistad.

Arrangement Note
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43 - *Love Perfecting; Equinox (Love Perfecting); From Memphis and Peking* draft 5; Dusky Sally lawsuit
44 - *The President's Daughter* editor's and publisher's copies, page proofs, drafts 4 and 6
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51 - Barbara Chase-Riboud films and videotapes (*Valide*, etc.); Barbara Chase-Riboud bibliographic guide; last version of *Collected Poems* (signed copy)
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