

MATABANE, PAULA WHATLEY.
Paula Whatley Matabane family
papers, 1891-1992 [bulk: 1926-1986]

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Matabane, Paula Whatley.
Title: Paula Whatley Matabane family papers, 1891-1992 [bulk: 1926-1986]
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1423
Extent: 4.5 linear feet (7 boxes), 1 oversized papers box, and 6 oversized papers folders (OP)
Abstract: Papers of Paula Whatley Matabane's family, including awards and honors, clippings, event promotional materials, family correspondence, and photographs.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Separated Material

The Rose Library also holds books and periodicals formerly owned by the family of Paula Whatley Matabane. These materials may be located in Emory University's online catalog by searching for: Matabane, Paula Whatley, former owner.

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Source

Purchased from Paula Whatley Matabane, July 2017; additions purchased from Paula Whatley Matabane and Kerry Pitcher, 2018.

Custodial History

The Rose Library purchased the material from Paula Whatley Matabane, who inherited or collected the material from family members. Rare book dealer, Kenneth Mallory, financially appraised the materials at Matabane's residence and completed a detailed inventory of the material. Curator Pellom McDaniels, III packed the material at Matabane's residence in Atlanta, Georgia, and transferred it to the Rose Library. Kerry Pitcher is the daughter of Paul Daniel Davis. Pitcher shipped additions to the collection to the Matabane home where McDaniels packed those along with additions from Matabane for transfer to the Rose Library in 2018.

Citation

[after identification of item(s)], Paula Whatley Matabane family papers, Stuart A. Rose Manuscript, Archives, and Rare Book Library, Emory University.

Appraisal Note

Acquired by Curator of African American collections, Pellom McDaniels, III, as part of the Rose Library's holdings in African American history. Pellom McDaniels, III removed one linear foot of duplicate publications and vinyl records featuring popular music to sell or offer to other institutions. Appraisal decisions were made by Accessioning and Collections Manager, Meaghan O'Riordan, and Pellom McDaniels, III.

Processing

Arranged and described at the file level by Meaghan O'Riordan, 2017-2018. Original titles are in brackets; otherwise O'Riordan supplied titles. Additions arranged and described at the file level by Meaghan O'Riordan, February 2020.

Collection Description**Biographical Note**

Warren Settles (1841-1926) was married to Lucy Ann Ward (1855-1932). One of their daughters was Mattie Jo Settles (1886-1987), who married Plemon Leon Whatley, Sr. They had Warren Settles Whatley (1916-2008).

Jefferson Deveaux Davis (1864-1937) married Ione Jackson Davis (1883-1968). They had Jefferson D. Davis, Jr., (1906-1960), and Frances Ione Davis (1918-2007). Frances Ione Davis and Warren Settles Whatley married in 1944 and had Warren S. Whatley, Jr., Lynn H. Whatley, Sr., and Paula Ione Whatley.

Paula Whatley Matabane (1949-) of Atlanta, Georgia, is a Professor Emerita from Howard University (Washington, D.C.) and an ordained elder in the African Methodist Episcopal (AME) church. She is also a writer and producer, known for the documentary, *Faithfully Divided* (2009).

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of the papers of the family of Paula Whatley Matabane from 1891-1992 [bulk: 1926-1986] and includes awards and honors, clippings, event promotional materials, family correspondence, photographs, and interviews recorded on cassette tapes. The majority of the material was created by or is about Matabane's uncle, Jefferson Deveaux Davis, Jr., especially relating to his connection with the Tuskegee Institute (Tuskegee, Alabama). There is also a significant amount of material that is about or created by Paul Daniel Davis, Matabane's uncle. Also include is some material created by George Davis, Matabane's uncle, and Warren Settles, Matabane's great grandfather. The recorded interviews were conducted by Matabane with George Murphy, an activist for peace and friend of Paul Robeson.

Arrangement Note

Arranged by title.

Finding Aid Note

Kenneth Mallory's inventory written during appraisal is available from the repository by request.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Activism and church events, fliers and pamphlets, 1955-1986
1	2	Activism pamphlets, circa 1965-1979 [bulk: 1978-1979]
OP2	-	Activism posters, undated [RESTRICTED]
6	1	African Methodist Episcopal (AME) churches, printed material, 1966-1980
7	-	African Methodist Episcopal (AME), Founders Day, Tape 2, 2004 [original: digital videocassette]
7	-	African Methodist Episcopal (AME), Founders Day, Tape 3, 2004 [original: digital videocassette]
6	2	American Council on African Education, printed material and correspondence, 1946-1960
1	3	American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE), correspondence, financial records, membership application, and program , 1958-1959
1	4	American Society for Engineering Education (ASEE), Committee on Ethics, correspondence and reports, 1958-1960
6	3	Booker T. Washington High School (Atlanta, Georgia), printed material, 1961-2007
1	5	Clippings about art with some correspondence and photographs, 1945-1958
1	6	Clippings, 1945-1966
OP3	-	Collage of photographs of prominent African American figures, undated [RESTRICTED]
1	7	College and university events, fliers and programs, with two letters, 1930-1980
2	1	Comprehensive Bible study books, 1970-1977
2	2	The Daughters of Liberty, financial records in notebook, undated
2	3	Davis, George, Board of Directors of Morningside Heights Housing Corporation, candidate flier, undated
6	4	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., artist management, undated
2	4	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., class materials, undated
2	5	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., clippings, correspondence, employment records, and writings, 1939-1965
6	5	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence, 1937 [1]
6	6	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence, 1937 [2]
2	6	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence, 1950
2	7	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence, [Answered in Person], 1950
2	8	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence and records pertaining to allegations about selling theater tickets, 1949
2	9	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence to and from [friends], 1954-1958
3	1	Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., correspondence to and from [industry] and [friends], 1954-1959

- 6 7 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., curriculum, engineering department, 1957-1959
- 6 8 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., curriculum vitae, 1955
- 3 2 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., honorary materials, 1959
- 3 3 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., materials related to participation in various high-school career and vocational weeks, 1955-1959
- 3 4 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., notes and papers he annotated for others, circa 1953
- 3 5 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., photographs, 1950-1958
- 6 9 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., photographs, correspondence and printed material regarding military service, 1952-2009
- 6 28 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., Pitman Publishing, engineering materials, 1958-1959
- 6 10 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., recommendations for others, 1957
- OP1 1 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., and Ruth C. Johnson, awards and honors, 1926-1956
- 3 6 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., and Ruth C. Johnson, clippings, correspondence, school and employment records, and photocopy of marriage certificate, 1936-1959
- 3 7 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), agendas and correspondence, and Colortronics Laboratories, Inc., correspondence and shares certificate, 1951-1957
- 6 11 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), hiring, 1953-1954
- 6 12 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), hiring employees, 1959
- 6 13 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., and Paul D. Davis, correspondence from Paul to J.D., 1937
- 6 14 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., and Paul D. Davis, correspondence from Paul to J.D., 1938
- 6 15 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., and Paul D. Davis, correspondence from J.D. on behalf of Paul, 1936-1937
- 6 16 Davis, Jefferson D., Jr., and Paul D. Davis, photographs, 1943-1956
- 3 8 Davis, Paul D., correspondence, 1949
- 3 9 Davis, Paul D., correspondence, 1951
- 6 20 Davis, Paul D., correspondence about attendance at Harvard University (Cambridge Massachusetts) and Juris Doctor (J.D.) degree from New York University (New York), 1940-2005
- 6 17 Davis, Paul D., correspondence, printed material, and photographs related to Nwafor Orizu and the United Nations, 1949-1961
- 6 18 Davis, Paul D., correspondence and printed material, 1942-2005 [1 of 2]
- 6 19 Davis, Paul D., correspondence and printed material, 1942-2005 [2 of 2]
- 6 21 Davis, Paul D., Ghana, photographs, writings, and correspondence, 1950-1965
- 3 10 Davis, Paul D., [Paul's timber exhibit plans], 1975
- 6 22 Davis, Paul D., photographs and printed material, 1949-1993
- 6 23 Davis, Ruth J., correspondence, 1965
- 3 11 Dedication of engineering building, photographs, 1956, February 18
- OP6 - Drawing by Joann Whatley of Sekhukhuni, King of Bapedi, undated

- 4 1 "Echoses from the Inner Self," undated
- 6 24 Exhibit catalog, Southern Africa the Imprisoned Society, International Defence and Aid Fund for Southern Africa, undated
- 4 2 Family photographs, 1957-1958 [1 of 2]
- 4 3 Family photographs, 1957-1958 [2 of 2]
- 4 4 "Fifty Years of Progress," pamphlets, 1950
- 6 25 Ghana: Gateway to West Africa, 1959
- 6 26 March on Washington (D.C.), button and printed material, 1953 August 28
- OP4 - Morehouse College (Atlanta, Georgia), 125th Anniversary, poster, 1992
- 5 7 Morehouse College (Atlanta Georgia), yearbook, 1943
- 7 - Morehouse College (Atlanta, Georgia), yearbook, 1963
- 7 - Morehouse College (Atlanta, Georgia), yearbook, 1969
- 7 - Morehouse College (Atlanta, Georgia), yearbook, 1988
- 4 5 Murphy, George, interviews on cassette tapes, undated
- OP1 2 Negro Historical Calendar, 1969
- 4 6 The Nightingale, yearbook for Grady Memorial Hospital (Atlanta, Georgia), 1951
- 5 1 Office of City Clerk, Atlanta, Georgia, resolution, 1948
- 6 27 Petry, Ann, correspondence, 1958
- OP1 3 Posters, undated [1]
- OP7 - Posters, undated [2]
- 6 29 Printed material, correspondence, and photograph, 1926-2004
- 5 2 Programs from various community and religious events and professional conferences, 1935-1986 [1]
- 5 3 Programs from various community and religious events and professional conferences, 1935-1986 [2]
- OP5 - Protest sign stating, "This store is unfair and the management 'here' insulting rude and racist," made of metal and wood, undated
- 5 4 Ragland, Willie Curtis, My Life's Strange Experience, Call and Seven Years in Service in Jungle Life, with original photograph, undated
- 5 5 Settles, Warren, financial records, 1891-1900 [1]
- 5 6 Settles, Warren, financial records, 1891-1900 [2]
- 6 30 [Sister Gathering], undated
- 7 - Southern Technical Institute (Atlanta, Georgia), yearbook, 1967
- 7 - State Teachers College (Bowie, Maryland), yearbook, 1961
- 5 8 Tuskegee Institute (Alabama) drawing, 1949
- OP1 4 Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), newsletters and newspapers, 1957-1959
- 6 31 Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), theatre, 1945-1946
- 7 - Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), yearbook, 1958
- 7 - Tuskegee Institute (Alabama), yearbook, 1959

- 7 - United Singing Convention, Allen Chapel Choir, Montgomery County, Maryland, 2004 October 31 [1] [original: digital videocassette]
 - 7 - United Singing Convention, Allen Chapel Choir, Montgomery County, Maryland, 2004 October 31 [2] [original: digital videocassette]
 - 5 9 "We can no longer wait," paper fan, undate
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