Descriptive Summary

Title: Robert Penn Warren collection, 1964-1989
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Abstract: Collection of materials relating to American author Robert Penn Warren including typescripts, interviews with Warren, photographs, and correspondence.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Robert Penn Warren (1905-1989), poet and novelist, born in Guthrie, Kentucky.

Scope and Content Note

Arrangement Note
Arranged by individual acquisition.
### Container List

#### Correspondence to Judson C. Ward

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**Appearance at Austin Peay State University** [Robert Penn Warren appeared at Austin Peay State University in Clarksville, Tennessee, on April 9, 1984. Prior to his presentation, Warren answered questions from members of the audience, and this question-and-answer session was recorded by Mary Weaks with Warren's permission. Some questions relate to Warren's poetry, while others address his early life in the area surrounding Clarksville and nearby Guthrie, Kentucky.]

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#### Correspondence to Robert G. Cowser

[Correspondence (1975-1977) relating to Warren's impressions of Guthrie, Kentucky, and Clarksville, Tennessee, and to his writing of short stories.]

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#### Correspondence to Thomas Hazzard Thompson

[Six photocopied letters from Robert Penn Warren to Thomas Hazzard Thompson (1930-1989), short story writer and newspaper editor. The letters discuss Warren's family and current writing. Note: original letters are located in the Thomas Hazzard Thompson Papers at the Panhandle Plains Historical Museum.]

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Marshall Walker correspondence [Professor Marshall Walker corresponded with Robert Penn Warren over a twenty-five year period (1964-1989). Much of this correspondence relates to Walker's own academic career and his Robert Penn Warren research, in particular his 1969 interview with Warren. Also present are the original audio tapes of that interview and a typescript with corrections in Warren's hand. Also present are approximately twenty-five photographs of Warren and other family members.]


An Interview with Robert Penn Warren, September 11, 1969, two audio cassettes [Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id b7qkb][Digital/digitized copy available in the Reading Room: id b7qj6]

An Interview with Robert Penn Warren, 1969, 38 page typescript w/ corrections by Robert Penn Warren, signed and dated July 1973


Five slides [ca. 1968-1969], four of RPW, one of RPW's home

Sixteen b/w photographs of RPW w/ negatives

One b/w photograph of RPW with Alan Tate, William Elliot, John Crowe Ransom, Meryl Moore and unidentified individuals at reunion of the Fugitives, n.d. w/ negatives

Four color prints of RPW w/ negatives


Correspondence to Ted Wojtasik [Six letters or cards (1980-1981) from Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik regarding a proposed collection of letters by Katherine Anne Porter.]

Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik, January 31, 1980?, TLS

Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik, March 17, [1980?], ACS

Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik, [ca. June 1980], ACS

Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik, July 8, 1980, TCS

Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik, February 13, 1981, TLS

Robert Penn Warren to Ted Wojtasik, April 28, 1981, TLS

Writing by Robert Penn Warren

"William Faulkner and His South," [The First Peters Rushton Seminar in Contemporary Prose and Poetry and the Sixteenth in the series sponsored by the Schools of English, University of Virginia, March 13, 1951] mimeographed typescript, 15 pp. w/ invitation and envelope

1 32 Untitled [on Robert Frost], typescript w/ holograph revisions, [1962?], 1 p.
1 33 Untitled [on Robert Frost], typescript w/ holograph revisions, [1962?], pp.
1 36 "Role of the Writer in Society," typescript w/ holograph revisions, [1 February 1962], 17 pp.
1 37 Untitled [on T.S. Eliot], typescript w/ holograph revisions, [1965], 3 pp.
1 38 "Remarks on Poetry," typescript w/ holograph revisions, [1960's], 8 pp.
1 40 "Pound," typescript w/ holograph revisions, March 6, 1988, 3 pp.
1 41 Untitled [on Poet Laureate], holograph and typed remarks, [1986], 2 pp. [w/ explanatory note by Stuart Wright, 1 p.]
1 43 Warren to Stuart [T. Wright], TNS, n.d.
1 44 Brother to Dragons: a Tale in Verse and Voices, holograph notes for revisions, 1 p.
1 45 New and Selected Poems, 1923-1965, holograph notes, 1 p.
1 46 Rumor Verified, new text for pages 38-39, typescript w/ holograph corrections, 2 pp.

Poems read on occasion of Warren appointment to Poet Laureate

1 47 "Unless," holograph manuscript, 1 p.
1 48 "Sirocco," typescript w/ corrections, 1 p.
1 49 "Fear and Trembling," typescript w/ corrections, 1 p.
1 50 "Heart of Autumn," typescript w/ corrections, 1 p.
1 51 "Robert Penn Warren Named First Poet Laureate," press release, February 26, 1986