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COLLECTION GUIDE

Willa Cather Collection **Collection Number: 1580**

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PROCESSING INFORMATION: Processed by Archives Staff. Last updated May 2023.

EXTENT: 0.6 linear feet

DATE: 1912 - 2019

LANGUAGE OF MATERIALS: English.

SCOPE AND CONTENT: This is an artificial collection containing a variety of material about Willa Cather, to include scholarly reviews, articles, newspaper articles, and correspondence.

BIOGRAPHICAL/HISTORICAL: Willa Cather was born on December 7, 1873, in the village of Gore in Frederick County, VA. She was the eldest child of Charles Cather, a deputy sheriff, and Mary Virginia Boak Cather. At age seven, the family moved to Nebraska. In 1913, *O Pioneers!* was published and in 1917, she wrote *My Antonia*. By 1923, she had won the Pulitzer Prize for *One of Ours*. She died on April 24, 1947, and was buried in New Hampshire.

ACQUISITION INFORMATION: Acquired as a gift.

CONTAINER LIST:

BOX 1

Letter, Willa Cather to Miss Deane, August 25, no year given.

Letter, C. F. Cather to Catherine C. Lupton, June 25, 1912

Cather, Willa, "A Night at Greenway Court," reproduced from Virginia Faulkner, ed. *Willa Cather's Collected Short Fiction, 1892-1912*. Lincoln: University of Nebraska Press, 1970, 483-92.

Stamp. Commemorative stamp of Willa Cather issued on September 20, 1973

Magazine articles

Newspaper articles

Willa Cather Institute of Shenandoah University (folder includes the following):

- Program, Conference 2019
- Guide to Winchester sites associated with Cather and her work, 2010
- Willa Cather bus tour, Frederick County, Va., undated

BOX 2

Newsletters, The Willa Cather Foundation (formerly the Willa Cather Pioneer Memorial and Education Foundation), 1973-2012