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## Finding Aid for the Katherine Ainsworth Papers, 1973-1978

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Katherine Ainsworth Papers,

**Date (inclusive):** 1973-1978

**Collection number:** 1395

**Creator:** Ainsworth, Katherine, 1908-

**Extent:** 1 box (0.5 linear ft.)

**Repository:** University of California, Los Angeles. Library. Dept. of Special Collections.

Los Angeles, California 90095-1575

**Abstract:** Katherine Ainsworth (1908- ) worked as a children's librarian for the Los Angeles Public Library (1928-35), school librarian for Los Angeles public schools (1949-51), and head librarian for Monrovia Public Library (1953-67). She was also a regular reviewer for the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Monrovia News post*. The collection consists of manuscripts and materials related to Ainsworth's books, *The man who captured sunshine: a biography of the desert artist John W. Hilton* and *The McCallum Saga: the story of the founding of Palm Springs*.

**Physical location:** Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact the UCLA Library, Department of Special Collections Reference Desk for paging information.

**Language:** English

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### Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], Katherine Ainsworth Papers (Collection 1395). Department of Special Collections, Charles E. Young Research Library, University of California, Los Angeles.

### Biography

Ainsworth was born in Los Angeles, California, November 15, 1908; BA, UC Los Angeles (1930), Library Certificate, USC (1932); she worked as a children's librarian for the Los Angeles Public Library (1928-35), school librarian, for Los Angeles public schools (1949-51), and head librarian for Monrovia Public Library (1953-67); a regular reviewer for the *Los Angeles Times* and the *Monrovia News post*, some of her

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published works include *In the shade of the juniper tree: a life of Fray Junipero Serra*, with her husband, Edward M. Ainsworth (1970) and *The McCallum saga: the story of the founding of Palm Springs* (1973).

#### **Scope and Content**

Collection consists of manuscripts and materials related to Katherine Ainsworth's books, *The man who captured sunshine: a biography of the desert artist John W. Hilton* and *The McCallum Saga: the story of the founding of Palm Springs*.

#### **Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Ainsworth, Katherine, 1908- --Archives.

Women authors, American--California--Archival resources.

Box 1, Folders 1-4 **Original manuscript and page proofs of *The Man Who Captured Sunshine, A Biography of the Desert Artist John W. Hilton*, material on John W. Hilton.**

Box 1, Folders 6-10 **Manuscript of *The Mc Callum Saga: The Story of the Founding of Palm Springs*, material pertaining to the publication of this book.**