

Western Kentucky University

TopSCHOLAR®

---

Folklife Archives Finding Aids

Folklife Archives

---

3-16-2015

## Kentucky Folklife Program - Subject Research Files (FA 747)

Manuscripts & Folklife Archives

Western Kentucky University, [mssfa@wku.edu](mailto:mssfa@wku.edu)

Follow this and additional works at: [https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc\\_fa\\_fin\\_aid](https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_fa_fin_aid)



Part of the [American Material Culture Commons](#), [American Popular Culture Commons](#), [Folklore Commons](#), and the [Other American Studies Commons](#)

---

### Recommended Citation

Folklife Archives, Manuscripts &, "Kentucky Folklife Program - Subject Research Files (FA 747)" (2015). *Folklife Archives Finding Aids*. Paper 841.

[https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc\\_fa\\_fin\\_aid/841](https://digitalcommons.wku.edu/dlsc_fa_fin_aid/841)

This Finding Aid is brought to you for free and open access by TopSCHOLAR®. It has been accepted for inclusion in Folklife Archives Finding Aids by an authorized administrator of TopSCHOLAR®. For more information, please contact [topscholar@wku.edu](mailto:topscholar@wku.edu).

Manuscripts & Folklife Archives  
Department of Library Special Collections  
Western Kentucky University  
Bowling Green, KY 42101-1092

*Descriptive Inventory*

**FA 747      KENTUCKY Folklife Program – Subject Research Files**

2 boxes. 153 folders. 435 items. 1972-2009. Originals, slides, and photographs.

SC2012.179.148

**COLLECTION NOTE**

This collection contains materials relating to a wide array of folklife subjects collected by folklorist Bob Gates. The majority of the subjects include ethnic or cultural groups, but there is also various information relating to specific arts or traditions. The materials within the folders are mostly articles or copies of articles. Most folders contain information that relates directly to Kentucky, but some are about the topic more in general terms. Files are arranged by subject.

**SHELF LIST**

<b>BOX 1</b>	<b>FOLKLIFE Subject Research Files</b>	<b>1980-2009</b>	<b>226 items</b>
Folder 1	Inventory		1 item
Folder 2	Articles and documents relating to step-dancing	1997	3 items
Folder 3	Articles, letters, and photographs of clogging	1983-1995	10 items
Folder 4	Articles and recipes for foodways	1985-2001	8 items
Folder 5	Article about suburban social club	2000	1 item
Folder 6	Paper about Kentucky bluegrass foodways	N.D.	2 items
Folder 7	Term paper about burgoo supper by Cathy Barton	1978	1 item
Folder 8	Selected Kentucky cookbook bibliography	N.D.	1 item
Folder 9	Article about candy making	1991	1 item
Folder 10	Article about Owensboro barbecue	N.D.	1 item

Folder 11	Information about the Kentucky Historical Society's Sixth Annual Kentucky Food Sampler	1995	2 items
Folder 12	Brochures about the Anderson County Burgoo Festival	1995-1996	3 items
Folder 13	Articles about pies	1996	2 items
Folder 14	Brochures for Brother's Barbecue in Central City	N.D.	1 item
Folder 15	Articles and photographs about sorghum production	2000	2 items
Folder 16	Articles about farmer's markets	N.D.	1 item
Folder 17	Articles and information about Penn's Store in Gravel Switch	1986-1992	7 items
Folder 18	Articles about German foodways	2003	2 items
Folder 19	Article about model boat builder David Pickett	1982	1 item
Folder 20	Letters and articles about Kentucky folk art	1984-1986	5 items
Folder 21	Articles on material culture studies	1999-2001	3 items
Folder 22	Notes on shotgun houses in Louisville	1982	1 item
Folder 23	Articles and booklet on covered bridges in Kentucky	1984-2001	3 items
Folder 24	Description of vernacular architecture as described by the Kentucky Heritage Council	N.D.	2 items
Folder 25	"Cane Creek: The Cultural Landscapes of a Rural Appalachian Neighborhood" survey	1992	1 item
Folder 26	Article about Wedderspoon Farm in Pierstown, New York by Henry Glassie	n.d.	1 item
Folder 27	Description of type of Tennessee architecture	n.d.	1 item
Folder 28	Drawing of a bungalow	n.d.	1 item
Folder 29	Explanation of the "Arts and Crafts Revival" exhibit at the McKissick Museum in Columbia, South Carolina	1993-1994	2 items

Folder 30	Booklet entitled "Louisiana Traditional Crafts"	1980	1 item
Folder 31	Articles on white oak basketmaking	1996-2007	2 items
Folder 32	Articles and booklet on dry stone masonry	1997-2000	2 items
Folder 33	Article about chair maker Brian Boggs	1996	1 item
Folder 34	Booklet and drawings of Mehendi	1999	3 items
Folder 35	Articles and booklet about luthiers	2001	2 items
Folder 36	Articles about painting	1981-1996	2 items
Folder 37	Articles and drawings of Rangoli	1997-2000	2 items
Folder 38	Articles and copies of ghost stories	n.d.	2 items
Folder 39	Articles about urban legends	1980-1993	6 items
Folder 40	Booklets, letters, and articles about storytelling	1984-1992	8 items
Folder 41	Article about youth slang	2003	1 item
Folder 42	Information and brochure about Guatemalan quilting	1999	2 item
Folder 43	Information about using quilting to convey messages	2003	1 item
Folder 44	"Clothesline of Quilts in Appalachia" event information	2004	1 item
Folder 45	Information about various styles of quilting	1981-2001	4 items
Folder 46	Article about Bybee Pottery in Middleton	1999	1 item
Folder 47	List of Kentucky potters	n.d.	1 item
Folder 48	Article about quilts	1996-1998	3 items
Folder 49	Article about painter Evan Decker	n.d.	1 item
Folder 50	Brochures and information about the Kentucky Folk Art Center in Morehead	1996-1997	2 items
Folder 51	Articles and booklet about woodcarving	1995-2000	2 items

Folder 52	Articles about yard art	1998-2000	2 items
Folder 53	Program and artist roster for the Bicentennial Tour of Kentucky Folk Music	1992	4 items
Folder 54	Information and letter from the Smithsonian about Folklife Archives relating to Kentucky	1994	2 items
Folder 55	Booklets, articles, and information relating to Kentucky folk music	1996-2000	8 items
Folder 56	Articles and notes on fiddle music	1991	2 items
Folder 57	Letter and program for Traditional Music in the America's "Folk Master Series"	1991	2 items
Folder 58	"Music of the Bluegrass Region" paper by Steve Green	1992	1 item
Folder 59	"Industrial Strength Bluegrass" paper by Neil V. Rosenberg	1989	1 item
Folder 60	Flyer for the Rosine Music Center's "Friday Opera Nights" in Rosine	1992	1 item
Folder 61	Article about Kentucky country music	1982	1 item
Folder 62	Article about The Kentucky Bluegrass Boys band	1992	1 item
Folder 63	Article about Bill Monroe and bluegrass music	1983	1 item
Folder 64	Article about the history of blues music	1992	1 item
Folder 65	Biography of Celtic band Tight Squeeze	1991	1 item
Folder 66	Program and brochure from Kentucky State Singing Convention in Scottsville	1993	2 items
Folder 67	Information about the Frankfort Arts Foundation's Gospel Heritage Showcase	1996-1997	2 items
Folder 68	Copy of "Blues News" newsletter	1996	1 item
Folder 69	Articles about folk music by William Lightfoot	1990-1995	4 items

Folder 70	Articles and information about the music of coal miners	1987-1995	3 items
Folder 71	Biography of The Lonesome Valley Band	1997	2 items
Folder 72	Biography and photograph of the Reno Brothers	2001	2 items
Folder 73	Articles about the Bottom of the Barrel Bunch	2000-2002	3 items
Folder 74	program for the “Juke Joints and Jubilee” tour	1990	1 item
Folder 75	Article and roster of blues musicians	n.d.	2 items
Folder 76	Articles about gospel music	2000-2001	3 items
Folder 77	Issue of “Louisville Eccentric Observer” about rap and hip hop music	2002	1 item
Folder 78	Articles and newsletters about thumbpicking	1998-2007	3 items
Folder 79	Article about playing Dainty in Louisville	1984	1 item
Folder 80	Information about cock fighting	1980	1 item
Folder 81	Article about basketball in Kentucky	2002	1 item
Folder 82	Articles, photographs, and information about playing marbles	1992-1995	8 items
Folder 83	Articles about washer pitching	1998	2 items
Folder 84	Articles and information about occupational folklore in general	1980-1981	4 items
Folder 85	Articles about the occupational folklore of river boat captains	1994	2 items
Folder 86	Slides featuring the making of marbles	1993	15 items
Folder 87	Instructions on how to collect and archive family folklore	2002	4 items
Folder 88	Information about barbecue in Kentucky	2009	1 item
Folder 89	Information about the occupational folklore of agriculture	1984-1993	10 items

<b>BOX 2</b>	<b>FOLKLIFE Subject Research Files</b>	<b>1972-2006</b>	<b>209 items</b>
Folder 1	Bound booklet about Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area	n.d.	1 item
Folder 2	Information relating to the Native American Oral History Project of Kentucky	1994	3 items
Folder 3	Correspondence about Russian cultural researchers	2003	1 item
Folder 4	Information about river culture	1987-1991	4 items
Folder 5	Research papers about western Kentucky river culture	1976-1988	4 items
Folder 6	Articles about house boating	1989-1991	3 items
Folder 7	Booklets on the Ohio River	1991	2 items
Folder 8	Articles on rope fenders by Barbara Merry	1992	1 item
Folder 9	Article on houseboats by Fritz Parkins	1991	1 item
Folder 10	Articles on rituals and belief	1997-2001	5 items
Folder 11	Information about weather-lore	n.d.	1 item
Folder 12	History of Mount Saint Joseph Archives in Maple Mount	1989	1 item
Folder 13	Article about snake handling	1980	1 item
Folder 14	Article about Amish communities in Kentucky	1993	1 item
Folder 15	“Faith and Meaning in the Southern Uplands” research paper by Loyal Jones	1992	1 item
Folder 16	Article from the Kentucky Progress Magazine about craft shows	n.d.	1 item
Folder 17	Article about roadside memorials	1997	1 item
Folder 18	Article about shrines	1998	1 item
Folder 19	Articles about funerary customs	1977-1983	7 items

Folder 20	Articles about burial traditions	1991-2001	3 items
Folder 21	Articles and information about Kentucky Derby traditions	1994-2000	8 items
Folder 22	Articles and photographs about Kentucky Derby traditions	2000	5 items
Folder 23	Articles on holiday traditions	1991	4 items
Folder 24	Articles on holiday traditions continued	1978-1996	3 items
Folder 25	Articles about folk medicine	1977-2000	2 items
Folder 26	Flyer for an event about immigrant tolerance	n.d.	2 items
Folder 27	Information on the Kentucky African American Heritage Commission	1994	1 item
Folder 28	Copy of grant application from Kentucky Oral History Commission to transcribe African American interviews	1992-1993	1 item
Folder 29	Articles and information on African American culture	1990-2002	9 items
Folder 30	Lists of historic places in Kentucky	1999	2 items
Folder 31	Articles about Appalachia	2001	4 items
Folder 32	Articles about Appalachia migrants	1992-1995	3 items
Folder 33	Articles and information about Asian Americans	1997-2001	7 items
Folder 34	Articles about Hindus in the American mid-west	2004	1 item
Folder 35	Paper about the Filipino community in Elizabethtown by Christine R. Marasigan	2001	1 item
Folder 36	Booklet about Schuetzenfest in Cincinnati, Ohio	1987	1 item
Folder 37	Information about German-Americans in Kentucky	1990	1 item
Folder 38	Articles and information about Hispanic culture	1999-2001	9 items
Folder 39	Articles about Hispanic culture continued	2003-2005	6 items
Folder 40	Article about Irish travelers	2002	1 item



Folder 41	Brochures for the Jewish Family and Vocational Service in Louisville	n.d.	2 items
Folder 42	Articles about Arab American culture	2001	3 items
Folder 43	Articles about Native American culture	1991-2000	5 items
Folder 44	Information about the Kentucky Native American Heritage Commission	2002	2 items
Folder 45	Article about the deciding factors for claiming Native American citizenship	n.d.	1 item
Folder 46	Articles about Vietnamese communities in Kentucky	1990-1993	2 items
Folder 47	Articles about Swiss communities in Kentucky	1990	2 items
Folder 48	Articles about regional communities	2000	2 items
Folder 49	“Fishing as a Folk Occupation on the Kentucky River” research paper by Judy Hennessy	1990	1 item
Folder 50	Articles about information about Lexington	1991-2001	4 items
Folder 51	Article about prison folklore	n.d.	1 item
Folder 52	Articles and information about Louisville	2000	7 items
Folder 53	Brochures for Land Between the Lakes	n.d.	2 items
Folder 54	Newsletters from the Community Farm Alliance in Berea	1990	2 items
Folder 55	Articles and booklets about Kentucky agriculture	1983-1991	8 items
Folder 56	Research conducted on small farms	1987-1992	5 items
Folder 57	Articles and information about coal mining in Kentucky	1999-2000	6 items
Folder 58	Articles and photographs about distilling	1992-2000	13 items
Folder 59	Articles about Kentucky’s horse industry	1980-2006	5 items

Folder 60	“Kentucky Horseracing and Horse-betting” research paper by Robert Sherman and William Adams	1972	1 item
Folder 61	Articles about horses and horseshoeing	1981-1987	5 items
Folder 62	Article about mussel harvesting	1998	1 item
Folder 63	“Fresh water mussel investigations of the Ohio River” report by John C. Williams and Guenter A. Schuster	1991	2 items
Folder 64	Articles and photographs of Kentucky’s tobacco industry	1984-2000	13 items

### ***BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD***

FA KENTUCKY Folklife Program – 1972-2009  
747 Subject Research Files

This collection contains materials relating to a wide array of folklife subjects collected by folklorist Bob Gates. The majority of the subjects include ethnic or cultural groups, but there is also various information relating to specific arts or traditions.

2 boxes. 153 folders. 435 items. Originals, slides, and photographs.  
SC2012.179.148

### ***SUBJECT ANALYTICS***

Adams, William B2,F60  
African American Heritage Commission – Frankfort B2,F27  
African Americans B2,F28-29  
Arab Americans B2,F42  
Asian Americans B2,F33  
Barton, Cathy B1,F7  
Basketball – Relating to B1,F81  
Basketmakers B1,F31  
Basketmaking B1,F31  
Bicentennial Tour of Kentucky Folk Music B1,F53  
Big South Fork National River and Recreation Area B2,F1  
Bluegrass music B1,F58-59,62-63,71-73  
Blues music B1,F64,75  
Boats and boating B2,F6,9  
Boggs, Brian B1,F33

Bottom of the Barrel Bunch (Band) B1,F73  
 Bridges - Covered B1,F23  
 Brother's Barbecue Restaurant – Central City B1,F14  
 Bybee Pottery – Waco B1,F46  
 Cane Creek B1,F25  
 Champion, B. F. B2,F5  
 Cincinnati, Ohio – Relating to B2,F36  
 Clog dancing B1,F3  
 Coal mining B2,F57  
 Community Farm Alliance – Berea B2,F54  
 Decker, Evan B1,F49  
 Elizabethtown – Relating to B2,F35  
 Farms and farming B1,F89; B2,F54-56  
 Fiddle music B1,F56  
 Folk art B1,F20,52; B2,F17-18  
 Folk belief B2,F10-11,13,15,23-24  
 Folk medicine B2,F25  
 Folk music B1,F53,55,69  
 Foodways B1,F4-10,12-15,18,88  
 Frankfort Arts Foundation – Frankfort B1,F67  
 Funeral rites and ceremonies B2,F19-20  
 Gates, Robert J., b. 1956 – Relating to  
 General stores B1,F16  
 German Americans B1,F18; B2,F37  
 Ghost stories B1,F38  
 Gospel music B1,F76  
 Green, Steve B1,F58  
 Hennessy, Judy B2,F49  
 Hispanic Americans B2,F38-39  
 Jewish Family and Vocational Service – Louisville B2,F41  
 Jones, Loyal, b. 1928 B2,F15  
 Kentucky Bluegrass Boys, The (Band) B1,F62  
 Kentucky Derby – Louisville B2,F21-22  
 Kentucky Folk Art Center – Morehead B1,F50  
 Kentucky Heritage Council – Relating to B1,F24  
 Kentucky Native American Heritage Commission – Frankfort B2,F44  
 Kentucky Oral History Commission – Frankfort – Relating to B2,F28  
 Kentucky State Singing Convention – Scottsville B1,F66  
 Land Between the Lakes – Relating to B2,F53  
 Lexington – Relating to B2,F50  
 Lightfoot, William E. "Bill," b. 1940 B1,F69  
 Lonesome Valley Band, The B1,F71  
 Louisville – Relating to B2,F52  
 Luthiers B1,F25  
 Marasigan, Christine R. B2,F35  
 Marbles B1,F82,86

Masonry – Dry stone B1,F32  
 McKissick Museum – Columbia, South Carolina B1,F29  
 Mehendi B1,F34  
 Merry, Barbara B2,F8  
 Mount Saint Joseph Archives – Maple Mount B2,F12  
 Native Americans B2,F2,43-45  
 Occupational folklore B1,F84-85,89; B2,F49  
 Ohio River – Relating to B2,F7  
 Oral history – Relating to B2,F28  
 Owensboro – Relating to B1,F10  
 Painters and painting B1,F36,49  
 Parkins, Fritz B2,F9  
 Penn's Store – Gravel Switch B1,F16  
 Pickett, David B1,F19  
 Quiltmakers B1,F42-25,48  
 Quilts and quilting B1,F42-45,48  
 Rangoli B1,F37  
 Reno, Dale B1,F72  
 Reno, Don Wayne B1,F72  
 Reno, Ronnie B1,F72  
 Rosenberg, Neil V. B1,F59  
 Rosine Music Center – Rosine B1,F60  
 Schuster, Geunter A. B2,F63  
 Sherman, Robert B2,F60  
 Shotgun houses B1,F22  
 Smithsonian Institution – Washington, D.C. – Relating to B1,F54  
 Sorghum B1,F15  
 Step-dancing B1,F2  
 Storytelling B1,F40  
 Thumbpicking guitar B1,F78  
 Tight Squeeze (Band) B1,F65  
 Urban legends B1,F39  
 Vietnamese Americans B2,F46  
 Washer pitching B1,F83  
 Wedderspoon Farm – Pierstown, New York B1,F26  
 Williams, John C. B2,F63  
 Woodcarvers B1,F51  
 Woodcarving B1,F51  
 Woodworking B1,F19