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Appalshop's Access to Artistic Excellence Project (FA 681)

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FA 681     APPALSHOP’s Access to Artistic Excellence Project

1 box. 23 folders. 30 items. 1975-2006. Originals, DVD, and video tapes.

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ORGANIZATIONAL HISTORY

Appalshop is a media, arts, and education center located in Whitesburg, Kentucky. Founded in 1969 under the leadership of Bill Richardson, Appalshop began as a project of the United States government’s War on Poverty. In 1974, the worker-operated organization evolved into a nonprofit company and established itself as the primary hub of filmmaking in and about Appalachia. Since that time, it has produced more than one hundred films covering such topics as coal mining, environmental issues, traditional culture, and economics.

COLLECTION NOTE

This collection primarily contains short films produced by Appalshop, whose chief goal in the Access to Artistic Excellence Project was to preserve and present film and audio of master traditional artists and to build strong appreciation for Appalachian culture, art, and traditions. As a primary regional repository, Appalshop is important not only to Kentucky, but indeed to the entire Appalachian region. Appalshop has documented some of the region’s most important folk artists, including: Hazel Dickens, Lily May Ledford, Morgan Sexton, Jean Ritchie, and others.

The Access to Artistic Excellence Project is a program funded by a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts. Included in the collection are letters of support from Bob Gates to the NEA for the project.

SHELF LIST

BOX 1     APPALSHOP’S Access to Artistic Excellence Project 1975-2006  30 items

Folder 1    Inventory  1 item

Folder 2    Letters of support from Bob Gates  2005-2006  8 items
| Folder 3 | “Beyond Measure: Appalachian Culture and Economy” VHS, directed by Herb E. Smith | 1995 | 1 item |
| Folder 4 | “Stranger with a Camera” VHS, directed by Elizabeth Barret | 2000 | 1 item |
| Folder 5 | VHS of Rady Wilson | 1998 | 1 item |
| Folder 6 | “A Devil’s Bargain: The Robinson Dilemma” VHS, produced by Cody Sexton | 2003 | 1 item |
| Folder 7 | “Old Ways…Holdin’ On” VHS, produced by Mary Profitt and Chris Archer | 2003 | 1 item |
| Folder 8 | “The Ralph Stanley Story” VHS, directed by Herb E. Smith | 2000 | 1 item |
| Folder 9 | “Morgan Sexton” VHS | 1991 | 1 item |
| Folder 10 | Charlie Whitaker on DVD | 2005 | 1 item |
| Folder 11 | “Nimrod Workman: To Fit My Own Category” VHS | 1975 | 1 item |
| Folder 12 | “Buffalo Creek Flood: An Act of Man” VHS | n.d. | 1 item |
| Folder 13 | “On Our Own Land” VHS | 1988 | 1 item |
| Folder 14 | “Minnie Black’s Gourd Band” VHS | 1988 | 1 item |
| Folder 15 | “Buffalo Creek Revisited” VHS | 1984 | 1 item |
| Folder 16 | “Tell Me a Story, Sing Me a Song” VHS | n.d. | 1 item |
| Folder 17 | “In The Good Old Fashioned Way” VHS | n.d. | 1 item |
| Folder 18 | “The Big Lever: Party Politics in Leslie County, Kentucky” VHS | 1982 | 1 item |
| Folder 19 | “Coalmining Women” VHS | 1982 | 1 item |
| Folder 20 | “Strangers and Kin” VHS | n.d. | 1 item |
| Folder 21 | “Unbroken Tradition” VHS | 1989 | 1 item |
| Folder 22 | “Step Back Cindy” VHS | 1991 | 1 item |
Folder 23  “Sarah Bailey” VHS  1984  1 item

BIBLIOGRAPHIC RECORD

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SUBJECT ANALYTICS

Archer, Chris B1,F7
Bailey, Sarah B1,F23
Barret, Elizabeth B1,F4
Black, Minnie, b.1899, d.1996 B1,F14
Coalmining B1,F19
Filmmaking
Floods B1,F12
Gates, Robert J., b. 1951 B1,F2
Leslie County – Relating to B1,F18
Profitt, Mary B1,F7
Sexton, Cody B1,F6
Sexton, Morgan, b.1911 B1,F9
Smith, Herb E. B1,F3,8
Stanley, Ralph, b.1927 B1,F8
Whitaker, Charlie Lee, b.1929, d.2009 B1,F10
Whitesburg – Relating to
Wilson, Randy, b.1952 B1,F5
Workman, Nimrod, b.1895, d.1994 B1,F11

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