

Inventory of the Carew Rice Papers, 1932-1971

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Carew Rice papers

Date(s) 1932-1971

Creator: Rice, Carew, 1899-1971

Abstract: Correspondence, original silhouettes, pamphlets, and writings of South

Carolina silhouettist, Carew Rice.

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Biographical Note

Carew Rice was born in Green Pond, South Carolina in 1899. Rice is best known as a silhouette artist who made his living by "cutting" and performing comical songs at county fairs and civic and social events in the Southeast. In addition to personal silhouettes, Rice's most popular topics relate to Lowcountry landscapes and South Carolina history.

Collection Overview

This collection includes personal and business correspondence regarding Carew Rice's daily life, travel schedule, and fair and exposition contracts between Rice and various vendors. Also includes seven original silhouettes done by Rice, Rice's handwritten lyrics and/or poetry, pamphlets featuring Rice's silhouettes, clippings about Rice's appearances and work, and Rice's subscription cards for state fairs and other institutions.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names

Rice, Carew, 1899-1971

Subjects

Silhouettes--South Carolina

Places

South Carolina

Types of Material

Clippings (information artifacts) Commercial correspondence

Pamphlets

Personal correspondence

Postcards

Silhouettes

Administrative Information

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Inventory

Box 1 Folder 1 Personal correspondence, 1932-1970, undated

Postcards and handwritten letters between Rice, family members, and friends regarding daily life and Rice's travel schedule. Some envelopes include handwritten lyrics, presumably written by Rice.

Box 1 Folder 2 Business correspondence and related materials, 1935-1970

Includes various requests and thank yous for Rice's work. Also includes exposition agreements and contracts between Rice and vendors (1935-1944), invoices for book featuring his work, *Dusky Land* (1944-1945), and a bulletin from the Charleston Arts Guild.

Box 1 Folder 3 Artwork, 1967, undated

Includes one pencil sketch and seven silhouettes, several with Rice's handwriting on back.

Box 1 Folder 4 Writings, 1957, undated

Handwritten song lyrics and/or poetry.

Box 1 Folder 5 Pamphlets, 1951-1957

All featuring Rice's silhouettes. Includes the Savannah Sugar Refining Corporation, *South Carolina Magazine*, and Hitching Post distribution company. Also includes National Arts Club pamphlet and applications (1951-1957).

Box 1 Folder 6 Clippings, 1948, undated

Regarding Rice and his appearances at fairs and expositions.

Box 1 Folder 7 Subscription passes and membership cards, 1939-1945, 1971

Season passes to Georgia, South Carolina, and Southeastern's state fairs (1939-1945). Includes membership card to Colleton County Historical Society (1971) and season ticket to Belle Isle Gardens (1927).

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