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Summary Information

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| Repository: | College Archives & Special Collections at Columbia College Chicago |
| Creator: | Brock, Lisa |
| Title: | Lisa Brock Collection, 1910-2013 |
| ID: | RG 1000.03.04 |
| Date [bulk]: | 1910-2013 |
| Physical Description: | 7.14 Cubic Feet Forms of materials: personal papers; lecture notes; correspondence; newspaper clippings; printed articles; photographs; maps; brochures; pamphlets; books; special reports; newsletters; flyers; CDs; DVDs; VHS; flash drive; comics; mixed media boxes; t-shirts; buttons; artifacts |
| Physical Description: | 41.5 Gigabytes Materials; Oral interviews; digital paperwork; DVDs; videos; resume; and duplicates of photos, articles, correspondence present in physical materials |
| Language of the Material: | English . |
| Introduction : | An element of the Chicago Anti-Apartheid movement, the Lisa Brock Collection is comprised of materials relating to Dr. Brock's time as an activist. As an advocate on behalf of the South African population during the 1980s and 1990s Brock utilized her voice to inform of the country's oppressive regime and how tactics of boycotts, marches, and correspondence could achieve freedom. Simultaneously, Brock's career as an educator continued as a platform to speak on South Africa and extend to histories of marginalized communities and the social and political inequalities faced. Manuscripts, audiovisual materials, and mixed media collected by Brock provide context to South Africa's historical timeline and situate her engagement and efforts which contributed to apartheid's end. |

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About the Collection

The Lisa Brock Collection dates from 1910-2013 (mostly 1980-2013) in 7.14 cubic feet. The strength of the collection lies within correspondence, lecture notes, newspapers, flyers,

periodicals, audiovisual, and mixed media reflective of her time as an activist within the Chicago chapter of the South African anti-apartheid movement. Brock's collection also includes levels of research pertaining to South Africa's history, government affairs, local organizations, and media which contributed to her career as an educator. Materials are organized by articles, newsletters, special reports, maps, brochures, comics, and books.

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Collection Arrangement

The Lisa Brock Collection has been organized into six series Series 1: Educational Activity 1980-2013 Series 2: South African Rugby Team (SART) Activity and Other Organizations 1981-1997 Series 3: Personal Papers 1980-2013 Series 4: South African Research 1910-2013 Series 5: Global Research 1910-2013 Series 6: Audiovisual

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Administrative Information

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Terms of Access

The entirety of the Lisa Brock Collection is available to all users.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Anti-apartheid movements -- South Africa
- Apartheid -- South Africa

- South Africa
- Anti-apartheid activists
- Anti-apartheid movements
- Women anti-apartheid activists
- Community Organization -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Apartheid -- South Africa -- History

Related Research Resources - Collections

Title: Chicago Anti-Apartheid Movement Collection ID: RG 1000.03 About: The Chicago Anti-Apartheid Movement Collection was assembled through the efforts of Dr. Lisa Brock and highlights the grassroots organizations during the 1980s and 1990s that formed to protest international issues of apartheid and how they operated to reach a common goal.

Title: Rozell (Prexy) Nesbitt Collection ID: RG 1000.03.01 About: Rozell "Prexy" Nesbitt is an activist and educator who has been highly active in labor, human rights, and equality movements. Nesbitt's personal papers highlight additional anti-apartheid work internationally and includes approximately 200 publications.

Title: Orlando Redekopp Collection ID: 1000.03.03 About: Orlando Redekopp is an activist and retired minister in the First Church of the Brethren. Redekopp's personal papers highlight his experience as an Ecumenical election observer for the 1994 South African general election, his work with local and international anti-apartheid and anti-conscription campaigns, and includes approximately 100 publications.

Title: African Activist Database The African Activist Archive Project seeks to preserve for history the record of activities of U.S. organizations and individuals that supported African struggles for freedom and had a significant collective impact on U.S. policy during the period 1950-1994. One of the significant U.S. political movements in second half of the twentieth century, it included community activists, students, faculty, churches, unions, city and county councils, state governments, and others. This democratization of foreign policy was unprecedented and it is important that the lessons learned be documented for the benefit of ongoing social justice activism.

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Biography - Lisa Brock

Dr. Lisa Brock is a Glendale, Ohio native who is an educator and activist. After obtaining her M.A. and later PhD in history from Northwestern University Brock became an instrumental figure within the Chicago South African Anti-Apartheid Movement. On an individual and communal level her work included boycotts, marches, and letter writing calling for an end

to the country's governmental regime. Brock continued her path in academia at several institutions. Between 1987-1990 her teaching took her to Chicago, Illinois where she taught at the School of the Art Institute of Chicago and Columbia College Chicago, where she served as associate professor of the Department of African History and Disapora Studies and chair of the Department of Hummanities, History, and Social Sciences respectively. In 2007, while at Columbia College Chicago, Brock encouraged local activists from her past activism to create the Chicago Anti-Apartheid Movement Collection. She then went to Kalamazoo College in Michigan where she served as the associate professor in history for nine years. Additionally at Kalamazoo, Brock was the founding academic director of the Arcus Center fo Social Justice and Leadership and engaged in community associations such as board member for the Kalamazoo County Public Arts Comission. Throughout her life Brock continued conversations in topics of anti-racism, gender equality, refugee crises, and more through public speaking and published works. In her retirement Brock operates as a JEDI (Justice, Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion) coordinator, facilitating conversations on how to enact social justice within communities, institutions, and businesses.

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| Series 2, Folder 9; South Africa and Nambia Flyers | Box 03559 |

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| Series 2, Folder 10; Conference in Solidarity with the Liberation Struggles | Box 03559 |
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| Series 2, Folder 12; African National Congress Activity | Box 03559 |
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