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Leokadia Rowinska Papers

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Courier for the underground in Nazi occupied Poland during the 1944 Warsaw Uprising who was apprehended and placed in a concentration camp. After the war she and her husband moved from England to Holyoke, Massachusetts. Includes typescripts and photocopies of short stories; "Ameryce", a booklet of poems; Poklosie, a book of poems published in Polish and English (Artex Press, 1987); audiotaped oral histories of Leokadia and Stanley Rowinska (primarily in Polish) done by their children; and photographs, audiotape, program and text of poems read at a public reading.

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Background on Leokadia Rowinska

As a teenager, Leokadia Rowinska served as a courier for the underground in Nazi occupied Poland during the 1944 Warsaw

Uprising. She was apprehended by the Germans and placed in a concentration camp. After the war she moved to England where she met her husband, a Polish soldier who served in the North Africa campaign. They moved to Holyoke, Massachusetts, where they raised their family. In her late 50s, Rowinska earned an undergraduate degree in Chemistry and worked for a film manufacturing company.

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Administrative information

Access

The collection is open for research.

Provenance

Acquired from Leokadia Rowinska in November 1985 as a deposit, with accretions by Stanley Radosh, 1988.

Processing Information

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