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## **Summary information**

**Repository:** University of Victoria Special Collections and University Archives

**Title:** W. H. Auden collection

**ID:** SC006

**Date:** 1961 - 1969 (date of creation)

**Physical description:** 1 cm of textual records

## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

#### Note

W. H. (Wystan Hugh) Auden, born in York and educated at Oxford, was an English poet who had a major influence on modern poetry, particularly during the 1930s. After assisting the Republican side in the Spanish Civil War, Auden moved to the United States in 1939, where he taught in colleges and universities. He became an American citizen in 1946. Among Auden's works include "The Double Man", "Nones", and "The Shield of Achilles". He also collaborated on drama and opera librettos, and wrote literary criticism.

### **Scope and content**

The collection consists of a printed invitation to Auden's birthday party in 1961 plus carbon and Xerox copies of typed letters and holographic notes from Pulitzer Prize administration to Auden listing books sent to him as a member of the Poetry Jury.

#### **Notes**

#### Title notes

#### Other notes

Publication status: Published

• **Description identifier**: w-h-auden-collection-2

### **Access points**

- carbon copies (documentary form)
- correspondence (documentary form)
- invitations (documentary form)
- notes (documents) (documentary form)
- photocopies (documentary form)
- English poetry--20th century (subject)
- Literature (subject)
- Poets, English--20th century (subject)

## **Collection holdings**

Series: SC006-1980-047 - Correspondence

<u>Title</u>: Correspondence ID: SC006-1980-047

Date: 1961 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

The file consists of a printed invitation to Auden's birthday party in 1961.

Physical description: 1 file.

Publication status:

Published

#### Series: SC006-1983-136 - Correspondence

<u>Title</u>: Correspondence ID: SC006-1983-136

Date: 1969 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

The file consists of carbon and xerox copies of typed letters and holographic notes from Pulitzer Prize administration to Auden listing books sent to him as a member of the Poetry Jury.

Physical description: 1 file.

Publication status:			
Published			