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Sh'ma Records**

Manuscript Collection No. 245

Sh'ma

a journal of Jewish responsibility

Collection Summary

Title	Sh'ma Records
Dates	1970-1984
Collection Number	MS-245
Repository	The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Other/Variant Title	Sh'ma (New York, N.Y. : Periodical)
Creator	Sh'ma (New York, N.Y. : Periodical)
Extent	6.4 linear feet (16 Hollinger boxes)
Language of the Material	English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch	<p>Since 1971, the "journal of Jewish responsibility" known as Sh'ma has been on the cutting edge of Jewish pluralistic dialogue. From its modest beginnings, under the tutelage of Eugene Borowitz, the magazine has tried to be one thing: a forum for the frank exchange of ideas.</p> <p>The magazine grew out of Borowitz's creative urge at the end of the 1960s. Afraid that American society was becoming entrenched in the Vietnam morass, and in a general decline in values, he was compelled to produce a journal that might spark renewed interest in substantive religious, moral, and ethical debate.</p> <p>In the 1970s, Sh'ma's ability to conduct pluralistic dialogue was unique. Often, it was the only place that leaders with opposing religious views and practices could come to share thoughts and ideas as equals.</p> <p>In 1993, Borowitz relinquished editorial control to a panel of three senior editors and a managing editor. In addition, financial ownership was handed over to the Center for Jewish Learning and Leadership (CLAL). Borowitz continues to teach Jewish theology at the New York campus of the Hebrew Union College-Jewish Institute of Religion.</p>
Scope and Content	<p>The Sh'ma records consist of artwork, correspondence and manuscript drafts of the journal. In addition, a portion of the collection is devoted to financial statements and paperwork. There is the correspondence between editor Eugene Borowitz and editors, writers, and donors of Sh'ma. This series also includes the journal's financial paperwork, and drafts of the journal's submissions.</p> <p>Original copies of Sh'ma can be found throughout the collection and also in the nearprint files of the American Jewish Archives.</p>
Arrangement	<p>The collection is arranged in two (2) series: A. Records; B. Records. Each series represents a separate donation by the editor. Records are primarily correspondence, arranged in chronological order and other reports.</p>
Terms of Access	<p>The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.</p>
Preferred Citation	<p>Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Sh'ma Records and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:</p> <p>[Description], [Date], Box #, Folder # . MS-245. Sh'ma Records. American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio.</p>
Provenance	<p>Received from Eugene B. Borowitz, New York, N.Y., 1985.</p>
Processing Information	<p>Processed by Jeff Brown, August 2001.</p>

Index Terms

Subjects	Jewish periodicals
Personal Names	Borowitz, Eugene B.

Series A. Records, 1970-1984

Extent 4.8 linear feet (12 Hollinger boxes)

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Series B. Records, 1970-1993

Extent 1.6 linear feet (4 Hollinger boxes)

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