A Finding Aid to the
Katharine Slohm Auslender Papers

Manuscript Collection No. 750
Collection Summary

Title Katharine Slohm Auslender Papers
Dates 1934-1956
Collection Number MS-750
Repository The Jacob Rader Marcus Center of the American Jewish Archives
Creator Auslender, Katharine Slohm
Extent 2.4 linear feet (1 Hollinger box, 2 oversize boxes)

Language of the Material English

Administrative Information

Biographical Sketch Katharine Slohm married Edward Auslender shortly after he was discharged from the Army, in the 1920's. She and her husband lived in Denver, Colorado, where he took up the practice of law. She pursued an avid interest in amateur theatrics. In 1929, they - along with so many others - lost what property they had in the stock market crash.

The Auslenders decided to move to Hollywood, California in 1931. They were the parents of two children, Leland and Barbara. Katharine became very active in Jewish organizations, and in 1939, took an extended trip to Palestine. She wrote a number of manuscripts while there, and filed numerous reports subsequent to the trip. She also spoke to various groups about her experiences in Palestine, and maintained an active correspondence with members of a kibbutz she had visited while there, Ein Hashofet. Katharine Auslender died in 1976.

Scope and Content The collection consists of Auslender's writings during a trip to Palestine in 1939, reports she wrote after the trip, family correspondence during the trip, correspondence with residents of kibbutz Ein Hashofet, a trip diary, trip photo album, other photographs, and three scrapbooks. One of the scrapbooks contains writings and drawings done by the children of "Hashomer Hazair" Mishmar Haemek, Palestine.

Arrangement The collection is arranged in one (1) series: A. General.

Terms of Access The collection is open for use; no restrictions apply.

Preferred Citation Footnotes and bibliographic references should refer to the Katharine Slohm Auslender Papers and the American Jewish Archives. A suggestion for at least the first citation is as follows:

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Index Terms

Subjects Kibbutzim / Palestine
Personal Names Auslender, Katharine Slohm
Media Photographs / Scrapbooks

Series A. General, 1934-1956

Box and Folder Listing

Box 1. Folder 1. Trip to Palestine, 1939
Box 1. Folder 2. Trip reports, 1939
Box 1. Folder 3. Trip correspondence with family, 1939
Box 1. Folder 4. Trip-related correspondence, 1937-1946
Box 1. Folder 5. Cooperative work camp in California, 1939
Box 1. Folder 6. Trip photographs, 1939, undated
Box 1. Folder 7. Miscellaneous, 1934-1956
Box 1. Folder 8. Trip diary, 1939
Box 1. Folder 9. Photo collage of children at kibbutz, 1939
Box 1. Folder 10. Photo album of a kibbutz, 1939
Box X-501. Folder Two scrapbooks, one about Auslender's theatrical activities, the other containing clippings from the years 1944-1946, 1944-1946
Box X-502. Folder Scrapbook containing drawings and writings by the children of "Hashomer-Hazair" Mishmar-Haemek, Palestine, 1938, undated