

Juliana L. Knoepfmacher Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Juliana L. Knoepfmacher Papers

Span Dates: 1929-1980

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1940-1960)

ID No.: MSS60343

Creator: Knoepfmacher, Juliana L., 1899-1974

Extent: 500 items

Extent: 6 containers

Extent: 2.4 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English and German

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

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Summary: Psychoanalyst, social worker, and educator. Case files, lectures, speeches, writings, notes, minutes, agenda, correspondence, memoranda, biographical material, and printed matter documenting Knoepfmacher's work as a child therapist and her writings on the treatment of children.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Knoepfmacher, Juliana L., 1899-1974.

Organizations

Jewish Board of Guardians.

Paul Federn Study Group.

Subjects

Child analysis.

Child psychology.

Montessori method of education--Austria--Vienna.

Psychoanalysis--United States--Societies, etc.

Psychoanalysis.

Social work with children--United States.

Occupations

Educators.

Psychoanalysts.

Social workers.

Provenance

The papers of Juliana L. Knoepfmacher, psychoanalyst, social worker, and educator, were a gift from the estate of Hugo and Juliana L. Knoepfmacher via the Sigmund Freud Archives in 1982.

Processing History

The Knoepfmacher Papers were processed in 1986. The collection was reprocessed and the finding aid was revised in 2012.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Juliana L. Knoepfmacher is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

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Preferred Citation

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Biographical Note

Date	Event
1899	Born, Vienna, Austria
1918-1921	Led homeless children's transport from Vienna, Austria, to the Netherlands for the Red Cross
1927	M.A., Teacher's College, Vienna, Austria
1927-1935	Training for applied psychoanalysis for teachers and social workers, Psychoanalytic Institute, Vienna, Austria Underwent psychoanalysis with Richard Sterba Married Hugo Knoepfmacher (died 1980) Director of a Montessori school, Vienna, Austria
1941	Emigrated to the United States M.S.S., Smith College School of Social Work, Northampton, Mass.
1941-1954	Senior training supervisor, Jewish Board of Guardians
1942	Published "The Use of Play in Diagnosis and Therapy in Psychiatric Case Work," <i>Smith College Studies in Social Work</i> (March): 217-262
1945-1949	Consultant, Jewish Child Guidance Bureau, Newark, N.J.
1946	Published "Child Guidance Work Based on Psychoanalytic Concepts," <i>The Nervous Child</i> (April): 178-198
1949	Published "The Length of Treatment in a Child Guidance Clinic," <i>Jewish Social Service Quarterly</i> (December): 208-228
1950-1960	Faculty member, Postgraduate Center for Mental Health, Jewish Child Guidance Bureau, Newark, N.J.
1951-1953	Directed workshop on treatment of schizophrenic children
1953-1957	Participant, Borderline Project under Hyman Spotnitz
1954	Joined Peter Glauber in his private practice in New York, N.Y.
1955-1974	In private practice
1959-1962	Faculty member, National Psychological Association for Psychoanalysis
1963	Faculty member, Boston University School of Social Work, Boston, Mass.
1974	Died, New York, N.Y.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Juliana Knoepfmacher (1899-1974), known primarily as “Lia” during the American period of her career after the 1940s, span the years 1929-1980, with the bulk of the material concentrated in the years 1940-1960. The collection consists of professional files relating to her work as a child therapist and her writings on the treatment of children. The papers contain lectures, speeches, writings, notes, minutes, agenda, correspondence, memoranda, biographical material, and printed matter arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material. Patient case files and notes are closed.

Much of the collection relates to Knoepfmacher’s professional associations and her work as a training supervisor with the Jewish Board of Guardians in New York City. Minutes, memoranda, and reports from the Jewish Board of Guardians and other organizations explore such topics as supervision and teaching methods, time in treatment, treatment goals, diagnostic criteria, private practice, and fee structures. Files from the Paul Federn Study Group feature meeting notes and discussion material, including a paper by August Aichhorn on transference in child guidance dated 1936. Writings by Knoepfmacher include her account of a Montessori school she directed in Vienna from 1927 to 1937 and articles and papers principally relating to her work in the field of child therapy. The balance of the professional files include speeches, lectures, and writings of others.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by topic or type of material.

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