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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	Simon Fraser University Special Collections and Rare Books
<b>Title:</b>	Jeff Derksen fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	MsC-105
<b>Date:</b>	1981-[199?] (date of creation)
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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Jeff Derksen is a founding member of Vancouver's writer-run centre, the Kootenay School of Writing, and worked as an editor of *Writing* magazine. His work has been anthologized in *East of Main and Verse: Postmodern Poetry and Language Writing*. As an editor, Derksen also organized "Disgust and Overdetermination: a poetics issue," for *Open Letter* and "Poetry and the Long Neoliberal Moment" for *West Coast Line*. Derksen's poetry and critical writing on art, urbanism and text have been published in Europe and North America. Formerly a research fellow at the Center for Place, Culture and Politics at the City University of New York, he currently works in the English Department at Simon Fraser University. He collaborates on visual art and research projects (focusing on urban issues) with the research collective *Urban Subjects*. Derksen's *Down Time* won the 1991 Dorothy Livesay Poetry Award at the BC Book Prizes. A selection from *Dwell* — "Host Nation, Host Society"—was nominated for inclusion in *The Gertrude Stein Anthology of Innovative North American Poetry: 1993*. He teaches in the English Department of Simon Fraser University.

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## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of correspondence, magazines, manuscripts, financial records, event posters, notebooks, and artwork relating to Jeff Derksen's work as a poet and founder of the Kootenay School of Writing, in particular, the publication of *Writing Magazine*, issues 23-28, edited by Jeff Derksen and Nancy Shaw.

## Notes

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### Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on contents of fonds.

### Immediate source of acquisition

Records were in the custody of Jeff Derksen prior to their acquisition by Simon Fraser University Library Special Collections and Rare Books in 2009.

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### Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
- **Status description:** Provisional

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## Access points

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- Kootenay School of Writing
- Writing Magazine
- Derksen, Jeff (subject)
- Textual records (documentary form)
- Arts and culture (subject)