

Finding Aid to the Reid Moran Collection, 1957-1982

1993.1220

Summary Information

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| Repository | San Diego Natural History Museum Research Library |
| Creator | Moran, Reid, (Reid Venable), 1916-2010 |
| Title | Reid V. Moran Collection, 1957-1982 |
| ID | 1993.1220 |
| Date [inclusive] | 1957-1982 |
| Extent | 11.0 Linear feet 11 boxes of printed material, including field notes, manuscripts, reprints; 2 folders of biographical information; 1 audio tape (oral history). |
| Language | English |

Preferred Citation

[Identification of item], Reid V. Moran Collection (Archives collection 1993.1220). Research Library, San Diego Natural History Museum.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of four series of Moran's research material during the period 1957-1982. Series 1 includes original field notebooks (70+), and notes in folders by subject. Series 2 includes four boxes of manuscripts by Moran. Series 3 consists of four boxes of reprints in numbered folders (not alphabetical). Series 4 contains miscellaneous materials related to Moran's tenure as curator of botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum and consisting of 2 folders of biographical material and 1 audio tape of an oral history interview conducted in 1998.

Administrative Information

Publication Information

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The collection is open to researchers by appointment. Contact the Research Library Director, San Diego Natural History Museum.

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Processing Information

This is an unprocessed collection in the archives of the San Diego Natural History Museum Research Library; not all of the contents of this collection have been fully inventoried.

Related Materials

Moran's field notebooks have been digitized and indexed; they are available at The Flora of Baja California (BajaFlora.org).

The Robert B. and William R. Moran MSS Collection includes photographic materials (prints, negatives, and slides) by Reid Moran. Subjects include the flora and physical features of the Baja

peninsula and Guadalupe Island. Robert B. and William R. Moran papers, Mss 282. Department of Special Collections, UC Santa Barbara Library, University of California, Santa Barbara.

Biographical/Historical note

Reid Venable Moran (1916–2010) was an American botanist and the curator of botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum from 1957 to 1982. He attended Stanford University (B.A. 1939), Cornell University (M.S. 1942), and the University of California, Berkeley (Ph.D. 1951); he served in the Army Air Corps (1942-1946). Moran specialized in the systematics of the *Crassulaceae* (the stonecrop family). His published works include *The Flora of Guadalupe Island*, the treatment of the *Crassulaceae* for the *Flora of North America* (Vol. 8, published in 2009), *The Grasses of Baja California, Mexico* (1981, with Frank W. Gould), and *The Vascular Flora of Isla Socorro, Mexico* (1989, with Geoffrey A. Levin) in addition to a large number of technical research papers on the floristics of the Baja California peninsula.

Controlled Access Headings

Personal Name(s)

- Gilmore, Raymond M., (Raymond Maurice), 1907-1983
- Harbison, Charles F. , (Charles Francis), 1904-1989
- Higgins, Ethel Bailey, 1866-1963
- Klauber, Laurence M., (Laurence Monroe), 1883-1968

Subject(s)

- Belvedere Scientific Fund--Expedition
 - Botany -- Mexico -- Baja California (Peninsula)
 - Botany--Research
 - *Crassulaceae*
 - Plants -- Mexico -- Guadalupe Island
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Collection Inventory

Content inventory prepared 1999-02-10 (Anne Bullard)

Series 1 Field notes. 3 cartons of notes in folders and field notebooks. Archive Boxes 73-75.

Notes, Box 73 Mexican *Crassulacae* notes (Labeled folders, 34 items)

Field Notes, Box 74 Original field notes (steno pads with dates on cover)

Notes, Box 75 *Cataceae* and *Crassulacae* notes. File Folders by subject. Not in alphabetical order.

Series 2. Manuscripts. 4 boxes of manuscripts. Contents not inventoried. Archive Boxes 83-86.

Series 3. Reprints 4 boxes of reprints, dates from 1942 to 1975. In numbered folders, not in alphabetical order. Contents not inventoried. Archive Boxes 96-99.

Reprints 1942-1963 1943-1963 20+ folders of reprints. Bibliography folder in front of box. Folders numbered but not in alpha order.

Reprints 1964-1969 1964-1969 20+ reprints in folders. Folders numbered but not in alpha order.

Reprints 1970-1975 1970-1975 Folders numbered but not in alpha order.

Reprints 1975 1975 Folders numbered but not in alpha order.

Series 4. Miscellaneous Material 2 file folders, assembled by museum staff, re Moran's tenure as Curator of Botany. Includes photocopy of *Environment Southwest* profile and photo with Ethel Bailey Higgins.

Subseries 4.1 Oral History Interview 1998 1 audio tape of oral history interview, conducted June 18, 1998. Includes Moran comments on Laurence Klauber, Charles Harbison, and Ray Gilmore.