

John Weisheit papers, 1871-1992

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Weisheit, John S., 1954-
Title	John Weisheit papers
Dates	1871-1992 (inclusive) 1871 1992
Quantity	5 boxes, (2.5 linear feet)
Collection Number	Accn1733
Summary	The John Weisheit papers (1871-1992) contain a copy of a manuscript for a book on Cataract Canyon, as well as research materials related to Cataract Canyon, the Grand Canyon, the Green River, and other notable Western rivers. John Weisheit is a wilderness guide for Tag-A-Long Expeditions. He also serves on non-profit boards such as the Canyonlands Field Institute and the Colorado Plateau River Guides.
Repository	University of Utah Libraries, Special Collections. Special Collections, J. Willard Marriott Library University of Utah 295 South 1500 East Salt Lake City, UT 84112-0860 Telephone: 801-581-8863 SPCreference@lists.utah.edu
Access Restrictions	Twenty-four hour advanced notice encouraged. Materials must be used on-site. Access to parts of this collection may be restricted under provisions of state or federal law.
Languages	English

Biographical Note

John Weisheit was born in 1954 in Los Angeles, California. After growing up in Whittier California and Phoenix Arizona, he moved to Moab Utah in 1987. He married Susette Renea DeCoster in 1990. Both are currently employed as Wilderness Guides for Tag-A-Long Expeditions. Their region of specialty is southeastern Utah. Weisheit's great passion is the Colorado River and he has spent much time researching it. He uses the information for writing articles and to teach tour groups. In addition to his guide job, he serves on non-profit boards such as the Canyonlands Field Institute and the Colorado Plateau River Guides. He is currently writing a book on Cataract Canyon with Dr. Robert H. Webb and Dr. Jayne Belnap of the U.S. Geological Service. The focus of the book is the biological, geological, and human history of Cataract Canyon.

Content Description

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other notable Western rivers. Also included are research materials pertaining to notable river runners such as Georgie White, Otis "Dock" Marston, John Wesley Powell, and others.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

It is the responsibility of the researcher to obtain any necessary copyright clearances.

Permission to publish material from the John Weisheit papers must be obtained from the Special Collections Manuscript Curator.

Preferred Citation

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Gift of John Weisheit in 2000, 2008 and 2009.

Processing Note

Processed by Luke Kelly in 2000.

Addenda processed by Michael Bills in 2013 and 2015.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Research Materials, 1990-1992

Box1

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
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Box	Folder	
1	1	Notes, Chapters 1-10

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	2	Notes, Chapters 11-30	
1	3	Chapter One: AUH20 Barry Goldwater	
1	4	Chapter Two: Bill Davis	
1	5	Chapter Three: Box 280	
1	6	Chapter Four: Raymond Cogswell	
1	7	Chapter Five: Raymond Cogswell Correspondence	1992
1	8	Chapter Six: Raymond Cogswell Correspondence	1992
1	9	Chapter Seven: Raymond Cogswell Correspondence	1992
1	10	Chapter Eight: Gregory Crampton	1992
1	11	Chapter Nine: Franklin Nims (DCC + PRR)	1992
1	12	Chapter Ten: Dr. A.P. Drew and Seymour Dubendorff	
1	13	Chapter Eleven: William H. Edwards	1992
1	14	Chapter Twelve: Nathaniel Galloway	1992
1	15	Chapter Thirteen: John Hillers	1992
1	16	Chapter Fourteen: John Hoffman	
1	17	Chapter Fifteen: Hudson	1991

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Box2

Container(s)	Description	Dates
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Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Folder		
2	1	Marston Collection Data	
2	2	Marston Part II	
2	3	Chet Bundy	
2	4	William Chenoweth	
2	5	Amos Berg and Buzz Holmstrom	
2	6	The Best Expedition	
2	7	John R. Bray	
2	8	Frank Dodge	
2	9	William Edwards	
2	10	Elzada Clover	
2	11	Father John Finbarr Hayes	
2	12	Glen and Bessie Hyde	
2	13	John Galloway and Clyde Eddy Expedition	
2	14	Georgie White 1952	
2	15	James Andrew McCormick	
2	16	Helen Kendall	
2	17	Jack Sumner	
2	18	Owen Clark Pathe-Bray Expedition	
2	19	General Materials	

Subject Files: A - D

Box3

Container(s)	Description	Dates	
Box			
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Box	Folder		
3	1	Aleson, Harry; "Green River Trip Notes August-September 1951"	1951
3	2	Harry Aleson, Aleson Collection, Utah Historical Society	
3	3	Aleson/White, 1947 Cataract Canyon 7 Man Trip, Aleson Collection	1947
3	4	Beaman, E.O.; "The Canon of the Colorado and the Moquis Pueblos"	1874
3	5	Birdseye, Claude Hale; "Surveying the Grand Canyon 1923"	1923
3	6	Boy Scouts, Clifford Rayl, John Cross	1990s
3	7	1921 USGS Survey, Cataract Canyon, Kolb Collection	
3	8	Cataract Canyon Repeat Photography Part I; Webb, Robert H.	1990s
3	9	Cataract Canyon Repeat Photography Part II; Webb, Robert H.	1990s
3	10	"The Diary of the Seven who Took Too Much" Upper Basin of the Colorado River Drainage	1997
3	11	Kim Crumbo, E.C. LaRue, Marston Photocopies	
3	12	D.C.C. and P.R.R. - Best Expedition, New York Library, c/o Robert Webb	
3	13	Dellenbaugh Journal	1871-1873

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3 14	Desert Magazine, Randolph Henderson, Bill Bishop Collection	

Subject Files: D-M

Box4

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4	1	"The Saga of Frank B. Dodge"	
4	2	Grant, Alexander; "Cockleshell on the Colorado"	1941
4	3	Eddy Expedition, Holt and Calloway, Marston Collection	1923
4	4	William Hiram Edwards	
4	5	William Hiram Edwards, River Bed Case, James Knipmeyer	1990s
4	6	William Hiram Edwards, Stanton Collection, New York Library	1907
4	7	Diary of William Hiram Edwards, D.C.C. + P.R.R. and Best Expedition	
4	8	Freemon, Lewis; "Unity and the Colorado"; "Hell and High Water"	1923-1924
4	9	Goldwater, Barry; "An Oddysey of the Green and Colorado"	1940
4	10	Goldwater, Barry; "A Journey Down the Green and Colorado Rivers"	1940
4	11	Green River Inscriptions, Sumner/Clover/Burg/Holmstrom/Kolb	

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4 12	Green, Roger; "Westwater"	
4 13	Jaeger, Oscar; "Shooting the Rapids of the Colorado", Clyde-Eddy Expedition	1927
4 14	Inscriptions in Canyonlands, James Knipmeyer	
4 15	Knipmeyer, J.; "Denis Julien Inscriptions"	1994
4 16	Knipmeyer Inscriptions	1993
4 17	E.C. LaRue	1998
4 18	L.C.B. McCullough - Grand Canyon, Map, Jirge Files	1962
4 19	Loper, Bert; ""Thoughts That Come to Me in the Middle of the Night"	
4 20	Diaries of 1949 - The Death of Bert Loper	1949
4 21	W.W. Mallory; "San Juan Colorado Rivers Rowboat Expedition June 10-18 1952"	1952

Subject Files: M-Z

Box5

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
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Box	Folder	
5 1	Otis "Dock" Marston 1 of 3	
5 2	Otis "Dock" Marston 2 of 3	
5 3	Otis "Dock" Marston 3 of 3	
5 4	Marston Collection I, Rosalyn Jirge Files	

Container(s)		Description	Dates
5	5	Marston Collection II, Rosalyn Jirge Files	
5	6	Marston Collection III, Rosalyn Jirge Files	
5	7	Marston, Otis; "William C. Richmond's Story of his Trip Through the Grand Canyon with Nathaniel Galloway in 1897"	1897
5	8	McChristal, James; "An Historical Analysis of John Wesley Powell's 'The Exploration of the Colorado River'"	1985
5	9	Franklin Nims; "A Month in Cataract Canon"	1889
5	10	Kenneth Ross, August Tadge, Denis Julien, Lute Johnson	
5	11	Stanton's River Profiles, New York Public Library, Bob Webb and Cataract Canyon	
5	12	USGS San Juan - Miser Cataract - Paige	1921
5	13	Trappers, Hafen and Hafen	
5	14	Webb, Robert H.; Melis, Theodore S.; "Observations of Environmental Change in Grand Canyon" USGS	1994
5	15	Weisheit Interview, Georgie, Rosalyn Jirge Files	
5	16	Westwater Canyon, Uncompahgre, Unaweap	
5	17	Georgie White - Cat 1957, Marion Smith, Jirge Files	

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