

JOHN GRIERSON ARCHIVE

GA / Posthumous and general papers on John Grierson

Scope and Content:

General papers about Grierson acquired from Mrs Grierson, Forsyth Hardy and others. Includes obituaries; general press cuttings about Grierson; articles and publications; photocopies of miscellaneous papers on or by Grierson; papers relating to the National Film Board of Canada film *Grierson* including transcripts of interviews with associates of Grierson (1969 - 73); papers relating to academic conferences and projects on Grierson; cinema retrospectives, documentaries and exhibitions about Grierson.

Notebooks

GA	N1-N4	Personal and business address books, c. 1930-c. 1970
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Papers

1	Obituaries, 1972: periodicals, cuttings and photocopies from Margaret Grierson, HFH, BFI and others 46 items	
	Including:	<i>Journal of the Society of Film and Television Arts</i> , 2(4-5), containing articles by many of JG's colleagues <i>AID News</i> , 3, November 1972
2	Press cuttings and other ephemera with general reference to JG's life and work, 1959-1976. Cuttings and photocopies from Margaret Grierson, HFH, BFI and others 23 items	
	Including:	Introduction by Basil Wright to retrospective at the National Film Theatre, September 28, 1972
3	Elizabeth Sussex: 'The golden years of Grierson', extracts from <i>The Rise and Fall of British Documentary</i> , <i>Sight and Sound</i> , 41 (3), Summer 1972 1 item	
4	NFBC publications, 1972-1979 (from HFH) 8 items	
	Including:	Publicity for <i>Grierson</i>
5	Letter to Forsyth Hardy from John Chittock about the British Federation of Film Societies bust of JG and the 'Screen '67' conference and reply (from HFH) 2 items	
6	Copy of script for <i>The Canadian Indian Summer of John Grierson</i> by Elspeth Chisholm, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, January 1975 (from HFH) 1 item	
7	'Posterpoem': <i>Grierson</i> by Edwin Morgan (from Catherine I Semeonoff) 1 item	

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8	Miscellaneous papers on or by JG, 1938-1975. Photocopies (mainly) (from Roger Blais and HFH) 24 items	
	Including:	Press cuttings, 1938-1973, on JG's resignation as Commissioner of the NFB and other aspects of his career 'The part played by the NFBC in the development of the National Film Board of Australia' by Ralph Foster (?), April 28, 1947 Reprint of editorial pages from the <i>Ottawa Evening Post</i> , February 1950, featuring editorials on the NFB Copy of article by Lester James Peries: 'Lionel Wendt and his memories of the <i>Song of Ceylon</i> ' Photocopies of correspondence: JG to Eleanor Beattie Obituary by Irving Jacoby: 'A small packet of Scottish dynamite'
9	Papers relating to the NFBC production <i>Grierson</i> , 1972-1973 (from Roger Blais and HFH) 15 items	
	Including:	Correspondence between Evelyn Cherry and Marjorie Saldanha of the NFB on tapes and photographs for use in the film Press releases Newspaper comment
10	Transcripts of interviews and other tapes used for the NFBC production in <i>Grierson</i> , 1969-1972 (from Roger Blais and HFH) 59 items	
	Speakers include:	JG (1-8) Edgar Anstey (9,10,18) Ross Blumar (12-14) Cavalcanti (16,17) Arthur Elton (22) Guy Glover (26) Stuart Legg (36,37) Ross McLean (38) Donald Taylor (50) Olwen Vaughan (53) Basil Wright (55,56)
11	Correspondence and press cuttings relating to JG sent to HFH by John Amess, JG's schoolteacher, 1967-1973 (from HFH) 15 items	
12	Press cuttings on <i>Grierson on Documentary</i> , 1946, 1966-1967 (from HFH) 77 items	
13	Press cuttings and photocopies of cuttings on JG, December 1972-June 1977 (from HFH)	

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	6 items	
14	NFBC papers on films about JG, from HFH 2 items	
	Contains:	Transcript of soundtrack of <i>Grierson</i> Press release on <i>The Working Class on Film</i>
15	Transcripts of taped conversation between Mr and Mrs Raleigh Parkin, and interview with Mary Losey Field about JG (photocopies from HFH) 5 items	
16	Reviews, <i>John Grierson: a documentary biography</i> by HFH 48 items	
17	<i>The Scotsman</i> , February 2, 1979: 'A documentary on Grierson', HFH <i>The Filmhouse</i> - John Grierson Week (1979?) 2 items	
18	Includes: <i>Campus</i> (Stirling University: HFH and Lockerbie on JG Archive), 1977 <i>Campus</i> , April 1979 4 items	
19	<i>Weekend Magazine</i> , September 23, 1978: 'NFB Red Scare' by Rick Salutin	
20	Newspaper cuttings: 'Week of cinema from NFB of Canada' at NFT (London) on its 35 th anniversary, 1974 17 items	
21	Papers relating to the 1 st Annual Grierson Day, February 10, 1977 6 items	
22	Papers relating to the 1 st Grierson Conference at McGill University, October 29-31, 1981 9 items	
23	Papers relating to <i>Grierson on the movies</i> by HFH, 1981 16 items	
24	Papers relating to 'The Grierson Influence', Canada House Cultural Centre, London, March 1983 6 items	
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26	Manuscript and reviews of <i>John Grierson's Scotland</i> , ed. by HFH, 1979-1980 3 items	
27	Papers relating to <i>John Grierson: Film Master</i> by James Beveridge, 1975-78 2 items	
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29	Biographical articles and papers on JG, also papers relating to 'John Grierson: Film Maker'	

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	event at Falkirk Festival, 1980 9 items	
30	Papers relating to JG's involvement in the Gouzenko Spy Trial in Canada 4 items	
31	Press cuttings, relating to setting up of John Grierson Archive 2 items	
32	Photocopy of J M Lee, 'The dissolution of the Empire Marketing Board, 1933: reflections on a diary' in <i>The Journal of Imperial and Commonwealth History</i> [no date]	
33	Papers relating to 50 th Anniversary of the founding of the GPO Film Unit, 1983 6 items	
34	'Scottish Film Culture': transcript of a tape-recorded interview with HFH, conducted by John Caughie and Colin McArthur, 1982	
35	Papers relating to Oberhausen Film Festival, 1986 7 items	
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37	Papers relating to Ontario Film Association John Grierson Film seminars, 1975-1987	
38	Papers relating to the Grierson Project at McGill University, Canada, 1978 19 items	
39	Papers relating to the siting of a Grierson memorial plaque in Cambusbarron 7 items	
40	Newspaper cutting relating to tombstones of JG's parents, <i>Stirling Observer</i> , January 26, 1977	
41	Posthumous articles on JG 4 items	
42	Retrospectives on JG,	
	Including:	BBC Scotland programme, 'The name Grierson: the word documentary', 1972 (post-production script) Grierson Film Festival, Modena, 1980 Galleria Nazionale d'Arte Moderna (Rome), event on JG, 1980 27 items
43	Papers relating to JG's meeting with the Very Reverend Dr David Steel in Kenya, 1050 4 items	
44	Papers relating to posthumous exhibitions on JG 6 items	

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45	Photocopy of 'Basil Wright and "Song of Ceylon": an interview by Cecile Starr', <i>Filmmakers newsletter</i> , November 1975, pp. 17-21 1 item
46	Papers relating to JG's influence on other artists (Lotte Reiniger, Lawrence Gowing) 2 items
47	Papers relating to JG and the National Film Board of Canada, including reviews of Joyce Nelson's <i>The colonized eye</i> , 1989-90 6 items
48	Papers relating to 50 th anniversary of the National Film Board of Canada, 1989 3 items
49	2 articles by HFH on JG, including 'Television' 2 items
50	Papers relating to JG and Eisenstein's 'Battleship Potemkin' 2 items
51	Press cuttings and articles on JG's life and career 8 items