

## THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

**NAME OF COLLECTION:** 6th International Feminist Book Fair

**ACCESSION NO:** 102/52

**CATEGORY:** Culture and the Arts, organisations

**ACTIVITY:**

**DATE RANGE:** 1992-1995 [mainly 1993-1994; the file on the Australian Feminist Book Fortnight is from 1989].

**SIZE OF COLLECTION:** 2.2 metres [13 archive boxes]

**DATE OF TRANSFER:** October 2002

**ACCESS CONDITIONS:** Open

**DESCRIPTION:** Minutes and reports of Management Committee and sub-committees; correspondence with guest writers, international advisory group, and internal correspondence between committee members and staff; organisation files; programmes and all promotional material; some photographs.

**HISTORICAL  
NOTE**

The 6<sup>th</sup> International Feminist Book Fair took place in Melbourne's Exhibition Building from July 27 to 31, 1994. The previous Fairs were held in:

- 1<sup>st</sup> London 1984
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Oslo 1986
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Montreal 1988
- 4<sup>th</sup> Barcelona 1990
- 5<sup>th</sup> Amsterdam 1992

Melbourne won the bid to hold the 1994 Fair during the 4<sup>th</sup> Fair in Barcelona in 1990 when the International FBF Committee voted unanimously in favour of the next Fair being held in Australia. Susan Hawthorne, who had already been involved with the organization of other literary festivals, including the Australian Feminist Book Fortnight in 1989, became the Chair of the Management Committee. Other members included Lisa Bellear, Destiny Deacon, Melba Marginson, Carolyn Ingvarson, Liz Smith, Lorna Hannan, Renate Klein, Jocelyne Scutt, Colleen Lindner. Jane Sloane was appointed the Fair director and with a small team of assistants was responsible for the organization under the broad direction of the Management Committee.

[See *Women in Publishing*, July 1992 for article on the Fairs from 1984-1990. In folder 6/29].

**HISTORICAL  
NOTE:**

The special theme of the Fair was Indigenous, Asian & Pacific Writing and Publishing. The Fair itself comprised two parts: a two-day trade-only fair for publishers, booksellers, writers, librarians and others directly involved in the book trade, followed by a three-day literary festival open to the public and comprising readings, book launches, discussions and panel sessions. A fringe fiesta of workshops, exhibitions, readings and theatre and music events took place around Melbourne during the Fair.

This was the last IFB Fair as the subsequent fair, mooted for Brazil, didn't take place.

**NOTE ON  
LISTING:**

- This collection is listed at file level only. There has been no arrangement by the archivist within files and they generally reflect their original order.
- Most correspondence consists of faxes. This is not usually specified in the list below.
- As the entire collection was created between 1992 to 1994, no other more specific dates have been supplied in the list.

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**DATE:**

13 June 2007

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Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
1-6	1	<b>Participant writers' files</b> [Correspondence between Committee and writers re their participation at the fair. Files may also contain travel details. Writers for whom there is a photograph/s in the <b>Photographs</b> series are indicated by the letter P following their name].	
1		Aboriginal Studies Press	All 1994
1		Fawziya Abu-Khalid	
1		Iman M. Ahmed	
1		Farida Akhter P	
1		Jacqui Alexander P	
1		Leah Andrews	
1		Li Ang	
1		Dewi Anggraeni	
1		Sandra Arnold P	
1		Joanne Arnott P	
1		Jean Aranasanayagam P	
1		Judy Atkinson P	
1		<i>Australian Feminist Law Journal</i>	
1		Nikki Baker P	
1		Robyne Bancroft	
1		Robyn Barge	
1		Virginia Barrett	
1		Susanne Bellamy	
1		Nell Bell	
1		Lisa Bellear P	
1		Myra Betschild	
1		Debbie Birch	
1		Morgan Blackrose	
1		Georgia Blaine	
1		Marion Bloem	
1		Merlinda Bobis 3xP	
1		Karina Bolasco	
1		Bette Boyanton	
1		Paula Boock	
1		Veronica Brady	
1		Di Bretherton	
1		Caroline Briggs	
1		Somer Brodribb P	
1		Di Brown	
1		Ruth Brown	
1		Barbara Brock	
1		Sybille Bruceman	
1		Quentin Bryce	
1		Puanani Burgess	
1		Traude Buhrmann P	
1		Rosemary Burne	

Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
1		Urvashi Butalia P	
1		Caroline Caddy P	
1		Lee Cataldi P	
1		Faye Carter	
1		Jane Cafarella	
1		Chrystos	
1		Iris Clayton	
1		Sandra Coney	
2		Kaz Cooke P	
2		Anne Coombs P	
2		Julie Copeland	
2		Jane Coverton	
2		Cathie Cragie	
2		Jane Creider 2xP	
2		Gail Cresp	
2		Mary Cunnane-Norton	
2		Lemu Darcy	
2		Kateri Damm P	
2		Libby Darlison	
2		Destiny Deacon	
2		Elizabeth Debold P	
2		Ann Decter P	
2		Zohl de Ishtar	
2		Mary Delahunty	
2		Anna Maria Delloso 2xP	
2		Ann Deveson P	
2		Gill di Stefano	
2		Beth Dingham	
2		Margarita Donnelly-Calyx P	
2		Sara Dowse 2xP	
2		Margaret Dunkle	
2		Cathie Dunsford 2xP	
2		Duong Thu Huong	
2		Jill Dupleix	
2		Patricia Easteal	
2		Mabel Edmund 3xP	
2		Marian Eldridge P	
2		Rosamund Elwin P	
2		Katharine England P	
2		Merilyn Evans	
2		Lidia Falcon O'Neill 2xP	
2		Chitra Fernando	
2		Marie Finlay P	
2		Beryl Fletcher 2xP	
2		Frauenoffensive P	
2		Angelika Fremd P	
2		Lariane Fonseca	
2		Jennifer Fulton P	
2		Carolyn Gammon	

Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
2		Chada el-Hage Gedeon Hajjar	
2		Hilary Glow	
2		Vicki-Ann Golden	
2		Andrea Goldsmith 3xP	
3		Yasmine Gooneratne P	
3		Joan Grant	
3		Patricia Grace P	
3		Kerry Greenwood P	
3		Vanessa Griffen	
3		Michelle Grossman	
3		Grotgrrrl	
3		Nancy Gruver	
3		Marion Halligan P	
3		Susan Hampton P	
3		Lorna Hannan	
3		Gillian Hanscombe P	
3		Sara Hardy P	
3		Agatha Haun	
3		Susan Hawthorne	
3		Anna Heinamaa	
3		Gail Hewison	
3		Jan Hill	
3		Anita Hobson	
3		Judy Horacek P	
3		Sue Howard	
3		Florence Howe P	
3		Angela Hryniuk P	
3		Jackie Huggins P	
3		Rita Huggins	
3		Keri Hulme	
3		Carolyn Inguarson	
3		Ann James	
3		Diana James & Nganyinytja	
3		Berni Janssen P	
3		Shelia Jeffreys	
3		Sandy Jeffs	
3		Kaye Johnston P	
3		Louisa John-Krol	
3		Eva Johnson P	
3		Marjorie Johnson	
3		Gail Jones 2xP	
3		Rosemary Jones 2xP	
3		Bertha Kapeen	
3		Susanne Kappeler	
3		Ratna Kapur	
3		Lois Keith 2xP	
3		Elizabeth Khaxas	
3		Renate Klein P	
3		Srebrenka Kunek	

Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
3		Ruby Langford Ginibi P	
3		Marra PL Lanot	
3		Josien Laurier	
3		Ronit Lentin P	
3		Hilda Lini	
3		Shirley Geok-Lin Lim P	
3		Colleen Lindner	
4		Uyen Loewald	
4		Morag Loh	
4		Rosaleen Love P	
4		Robyn Lowe	
4		Wendy Lowenstein	
4		Ruth Maddison	
4		Magabala Books	
4		Pat Mahony	
4		Melina Marchetta P	
4		Melba Marginson	
4		Sigrid Markmann 2xP	
4		Fiona Martin	
4		Sandra Martz	
4		Peg McColl	
4		Moy McRory P	
4		Siobhan McHugh P	
4		Hasna Mekdashi	
4		Gina Mercer 2xP	
4		June Mills	
4		Tracy Moffatt	
4		Grace Mera Molisa 2xP	
4		Finola Moorhead P	
4		Merrilee Moss	
4		Sue Moss P	
4		Joy Murphy	
4		Lizz Murphy	
4		Topsy Napurrula Nelson P	
4		Michele Nayman P	
4		Suniti Namjoshi P	
4		Norrie Neumark P	
4		Rina Nissim P	
4		Sekai Nzenza	
4		Barbary O'Brien P	
4		Patricia + Renata Officer	
4		Mona Oikawa P	
4		Marcia O'Keefe	
4		Jane O'Toole	
4		Pacific Writers	
4		Manjula Padmanabhan	
4		Nonna Panina	
4		Michele Paulse P	
4		Jenny Pausacker P	

Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
4		Anne Marie Pedler	
4		Robyn Pedler	
4		Doris Pilkington	
4		Val Plumwood	
4		Dorothy Porter	2xP
4		Karen Porter	
4		Therese Radic	P
4		Zoe Rathus	P
4		Janice Raymond	2xP
4		Hannie Rayson	
4		J.M. Redmann	
4		Powhiri Rika-Heke	2xP
4		Bev Roberts	P
4		Michele Roberts	
4		Judith Rodriguez	2xP
4		Astrid Roemer	
4		Ninotchka Rosca	
4		Pat Rosier	P
4		Robyn Rowland	P
4		Roxy (Roxanne Graphics)	
5		Lyndal Ryan	
5		Mandy Salomon	P
5		Lilia Santiago	
5		Aida F. Santos	
5		Karyn Sassella	2xP
5		Georgia Savage	P
5		Susan Sayer	P
5		Dagmar Schultz	
5		Mandira Sen	
5		Ailbhe Smyth	P
5		Anna Soler-Pont	2xP
5		Rose Sorger	
5		Dale Spender	3xP
5		Lynne Spender	
5		Beth Stafford-Vaugh	
5		Verena Stefan	P
5		Ann E. Stewart	
5		Carole Seajay	
5		Jennifer Strauss	P
5		Susan Sullivan	P
5		Maud Sulter	P
5		Isabella Sumang	
5		Lucy Sussex	
5		Sybylla Co-operative Press	
5		Patricia Sykes	
5		Dr Roberta Sykes	P
5		Writers who have accepted to date.	
5		Writers – Reference	
5		Cath Tate	P

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5		Barbara Thiering P	
5		Miriam Tlali P	
5		Pat Torres 3xP	
5		Christina Thompson	
5		Denise Thompson	
5		Marjorie Thorpe	
6		Glen Tomasetti P	
6		Dena Taylor P	
6		Sue Turnbull	
6		Ann Turner	
6		Susan Varga P	
6		Kate Veitch	
6		Lucie Vermij	
6		Richie Valencia Vunaventura	
6		Giney Villar	
6		Kate Wait	
6		Sarah Walker P	
6		Vicky Walker	
6		Biff Ward P	
6		Chris Watson	
6		Lilla Watson 2xP	
6		Maureen Watson P	
6		Elizabeth Weiss	
6		Sarah St Vincent Welch	
6		Wang Anyi P	
6		Barbara Wels P	
6		Rosemary West	
6		Deb Westbury	
6		Nadia Wheatley P	
6		Terry Whitebeach P	
6		Sue Wiles	
6		Jules Wilkinson	
6		Lorraine Williams	
6		Kathy Williams	
6		Lorna Wilson	
6		Joan Wingfield	
6		Samantha Wild & Ros Baker P [Samantha Wild only]	
6		Beth Yahp	
6		Jackie Yowell	
6		Melanie Young	
6		Christine Zmroczek	
6		Aya Zikken	
6		Rose Zwi 2xP	
6		<b>Community Writers Reference</b>	
6		Janet Brown	
6		Anne Edgeworth	
6		Jan Ferrari	
6		Cherry Lynn Klavins	
6		Galina Kordin	

Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
6		Julia Lawrinson	
6		Olga Novak	
6		Maria Pallotta-Chiarolli	
6		Marcella Polain	
6		Patricia Poulos	
6		Sarah Rossetti	
6		Tracy Ryan	
6		Natasha Stott-Despoja	
6		Mij Tanith	
6		Jacki Nidel-Taylor	
6		Jean Taylor	
6		Cynthia Yasbineck	
6		Tess Williams	
7	2	<b>Writers who declined IFBF</b>	
		[Files not numbered]	
		[Files have been retained only for those writers with whom there was some correspondence. Files for writers who did not reply to initial or subsequent invitations have been discarded. For a list of all writers who were invited, see Appendix ??]/	
7		Ama Ata Aidoo	
7		Stephanie Alexander	
7		Hanan Al Shaykh	
7		Margaret Atwood	
7		Brigitte Axster	
7		Faith Bandler	
7		Alison Bechdel	
7		Diane Bell	
7		Kamla Bhasin	
7		Nora Vagi Brash	
7		Nicole Brossard	
7		Marion Campbell	
7		Central Lands Council	
7		Jung Chang	
7		Debjani Chatterjee	
7		Andrée Chedid	
7		Krystyna Colburn	
7		Letizia Constantino	
7		Victoria Corpuz	
7		Tsitsi Dangarembga	
7		Laura Davis	
7		Christine Delphy	
7		Bebeti Do Amarel Gurgel	
7		Slavenka Draculic	
7		Andrea Dworkin	
7		Clarissa Pinkola Estés	
7		Eileen Fairweather	

Box No	Series No	Description	Dates
7		Katherine Forrest	
7		Helen Garner	
7		Jaslyn Hall	
7		Dorothy Hewett	
7		Anita Hill	
7		Luce Irigaray	
7		Rama Jha	
7		Elizabeth Jolley	
7		Irene Kiss	
7		Joy Kogawa	
7		Ellen Kuzwayo	
7		Jully Makini	
7		Sr Mary John Mananzan	
7		Jan McKemmish	
7		Rigoberta Menchu	
7		Sally Morgan	
7		Toni Morrison	
7		Katharina Oguntoye	
7		Nonna Panina	
7		Julia Penelope	
7		Rose Pere	
7		Rona Prokhovnik	
7		Lina Sagara Reyes	
7		Suzette Triton Robichon	
7		Vandana Shiva	
7		Fatar Ndiaye Sour	
7		Stree	
7		Ngahua Te Awekotuku	
7		Janette Turner Hospital	
7		Giney Villar	
7		Virago (Harriet Spicer)	
7		Patricia Williams	
7		Jeanette Winterson	
7		Christa Wolf	
7		Mavis Yen	
<b>8-10</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>Committees</b>	
8	3/1	<b>Management Committee</b>	1993
		[Contains minutes, agendas, reports, discussion papers, correspondence. Not necessarily in chronological order. One file]	
8	3/2	<b>Management Committee</b>	1993-1994
8	3/3	<b>Management Committee</b>	1994
8	3/4	<b>Management Committee</b>	1993
		[This is a second set of papers kept by another unidentified Committee member and with different notes and annotations to the set above. One file]	
9	3/5-7	<b>Programme Committee</b>	1993-94
		[This committee is sometimes called a sub-committee	

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10		and/or a Programme or Programming committee. It contains minutes, correspondence, draft programmes, notes. [Three files]. <i>See also</i> general correspondence re programming]. State Committees [one file for each state. Contains faxes, correspondence]:	
	3/8	ACT	
	3/9	NSW	
	3/10	NT	
	3/11	Qld	
	3/12	SA	
	3/13	Tas	
	3/14	Vic	
	3/15	WA	
10	3/16	State committees. General.	
10	4/1	<b>Incorporation documentation</b> [Copy of Statement of Purpose].	
<b>10-11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>Correspondence</b>	
10	5/1	Correspondence, internal [Mainly between Jane Sloane and members of the Management Committee. [One file]	
10	5/2	Correspondence with International Advisory Group [Corresp between Melbourne organizers, mainly Jane Sloane, and Carole Spedding (UK), Carol Seajay (US), Gerda Meijerink (Holland) One file]	
11	5/3	General correspondence re programming. [Correspondence between organizers, incl Jane Sloane and Susan Hawthorne, and writers, publishers and other interested parties re the programme of events and speakers. One file].	
11-13	6	<b>Organisational files</b>	
11	6/1	Australia Council funding [Submissions and surrounding correspondence. One file]	
11	6/2	IFBF Launches Melbourne, Sydney and Adelaide [Incl programmes and guest lists. The launches were held to announce that the IFBF would take place and to initiate sponsorship. One file].	1993
11	6/3	Welcoming Ceremony [Correspondence, programme and invitation list for the official opening ceremony of the Fair. One file]	1994
11	6/4 – 6/5	Accommodation/Home hosting. [Forms from women seeking, and Melbourne women offering, home-stay accommodation. These forms provide a partial profile of IFBF participants. Two files.	1994
	6/6	List of guest writers and their accommodation addresses. One file]	
11	6/7	Fringe Fiesta	1994

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		[Correspondence and programmes for fringe events incl Ecumenical Service and IFBF Dance. One file]	
12	6/8	Trade Fair negotiations [Correspondence between committee members and with event managers re the contract for staging the IFBF. One file]	
12	6/9	Budget [Miscellaneous balance sheets. A fuller set is housed within the Management Committee minute papers. One file]	
12	6/10	Organisational briefs [Circular lists, action sheets, instructions, notes for operational activities during the Fair. One file]	
12	6/11	Volunteers [Forms and circular letters for volunteer workers at IFBF – samples only, not filled out. One file]	
12	6/12	Promotional material [Poster, flyers, programmes, questionnaire and other items, incl official programme (2 copies)]	
12	6/13	Poster design [Correspondence with designers. One file]	
12	6/14	Key documents [Incl funding submissions, marketing strategy, budget projections, lists of sponsors. One file]	
12	6/15	Participant writers: biographies and bibliographies. [One file]	
12	6/16	Presscuttings [Presscuttings of articles and items about the 6 <sup>th</sup> IFBF from Australian and overseas newspapers and magazines. One album and one file]	1993-1994
13	6/17	Media releases and articles [One file]	
13	6/18	Lists of publishers [Incl list assembled by Susan Hawthorne at the Frankfurt Book Fair in 1993 of potential participants to 6 <sup>th</sup> IFBF. The list comprises business cards and annotations by SH. Also other lists of publishers. One file]	1993
13	6/19	Mailing list [Printouts from 6 <sup>th</sup> IFBF database of mailing list of publishers, writers, invitees, media contacts. One file]	
13	6/20	6 <sup>th</sup> IFBF Newsletter [3 issues]	1993-1994
13	6/21	Aftermath [Letters of congratulation, internal correspondence and memoranda, minutes of Management Committee meetings, copies of Wenche Ommundsen's report on the Fair, Susan Hawthorne's two addresses to the IFBF and the her report to the 6 <sup>th</sup> IFBF AGM in March 1995. These documents give information about the success of the Fair, both financially and by public consensus].	1994-1995

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13	6/22	Australian Feminist Book Fortnight [Flyers, programme, postcards, newscuttings and press releases for the precedent event that took place nationally in September 1989. (There was a second one in 1991). Susan Hawthorne, Renate Klein and Jocelyn Scutt were members of the Management Committee. One file and one black plastic folder].	1989
13	6/23-25	Photographs [Photographs of the participant writers listed above who have the letter P alongside their names. They were sent in response to a request from the organising committee to appear in the IFBF program. Also photos of IFBF staff and committee at launches. Three folders].	
13	6/26-27	Slides Colour slides of the Melbourne launch held at Mietta's and of the office staff and Susan Hawthorne [Two slide boxes]	
13	6/28	Audio cassette [Taped interviews with Faith Bandler, Susan Hawthorne and Lisa Bellear. One cassette, no date].	
13	6/29	<i>Women in Publishing</i> [magazine]. 2 issues, July 1992 and July 1994. Magazine produced by the Women in Publishing International Committee.	

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