

Ruth Mack Brunswick Papers

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Collection Summary

Title: Ruth Mack Brunswick Papers

Span Dates: 1921-1943

Bulk Dates: (bulk 1926-1938)

ID No.: MSS62037

Creator: Brunswick, Ruth Mack, 1897-1946

Extent: 200 items ; 2 containers ; .6 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English and German

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Summary: Psychoanalyst. Correspondence, patient files, writings, a student training certificate, a concert program, and a newspaper clipping documenting Brunswick's contributions to psychoanalytic theory including her treatment of Sergius Pankejeff, a former patient of Sigmund Freud referred to as the "Wolf Man" in Freud's case study, and her work on the pre-Oedipal phase of libido development.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Brunswick, Ruth Mack.

Freud family--Correspondence.

Freud, Anna, 1895-1982--Correspondence.

Freud, Martha, 1861-1951--Correspondence.

Hendrick, Ives, 1898-1972--Correspondence.

Pankejeff, Sergius, 1887-1979--Correspondence.

Pankejeff, Sergius, 1887-1979.

Pankejeff, Sergius, 1887-1979. Sergius Pankejeff papers.

Subjects

Dreams.

Oedipus complex.

Psychoanalysis.

Administrative Information

Provenance

The papers of Ruth Mack Brunswick, psychoanalyst, were given to the Library of Congress by the Sigmund Freud Archives between 1960 and 1987.

Related Material

Sigmund Freud's correspondence with Brunswick spanning the years 1921-1930 is located in the [Sigmund Freud Papers](#) in the Manuscript Division of the Library of Congress.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Ruth Mack Brunswick is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Ruth Mack Brunswick are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Ruth Mack Brunswick Papers, Sigmund Freud Collection, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Biographical Note

<i>Date</i>	<i>Event</i>
1897, Feb. 17	Born, Chicago, Ill.
1918	Graduated, Radcliffe College, Cambridge, Mass. Married Hermann Blumgart (divorced 1926)
1922	M.D., Tufts University, Medford, Mass. Began analysis with Sigmund Freud in Vienna, Austria
1925	Established psychoanalytic practice, Vienna, Austria Member, Vienna Psychoanalytic Society, Vienna, Austria
1926-1927	Treated Sergius Pankejeff, a former analysand of Sigmund Freud and the subject of Freud's "Wolf Man" case study
1928	Married Mark Brunswick (divorced 1937; remarried six months later; divorced 1940) Published "A Supplement to 'History of an Infantile Neurosis,'" <i>The International Journal of Psycho-Analysis</i> (9:439-476)
1929-1938	Resumed analysis of Sergius Pankejeff on an irregular basis
1932	Became an editor of the <i>Psychoanalytic Quarterly</i>
1938	Left Vienna, Austria, and established a private practice in New York, N.Y. Joined New York Psychoanalytic Society, New York, N.Y.
1940	Published "The Preoedipal Phase of the Libido Development," <i>Psychoanalytic Quarterly</i> (9:293-319)
1946, Jan. 24	Died, New York, N.Y.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Ruth Mack Brunswick (1897-1946) span the years 1921-1943, with the bulk of material dating from 1926 to 1938. The collection, written in English and German, documents Brunswick's contributions to psychoanalytic theory expanding the work of her mentor, Sigmund Freud. Featured in the papers are Brunswick's notes and writings related to her analysis of Sergius Pankejeff, a former analysand of Sigmund Freud and the subject of Freud's "Wolf Man" case study. In addition to Brunswick's own notes are notes and writings by Pankejeff including an extensive file of notes recording his dreams. Writings by Brunswick contained in the collection include "A Supplement to 'History of an Infantile Neurosis,'" which explores her analysis of Pankejeff between 1926 and 1927, and numerous drafts of her 1940 article "The Preoedipal Phase of the Libido Development." Brunswick first outlined her theories of a developmental phase preceding the Oedipal complex in an untitled work written in 1930. The collection includes a typescript of this early work annotated by Freud.

Correspondence includes letters from members of the Freud family including Sigmund Freud's wife and daughter, Martha Freud and Anna Freud, letters from psychiatrist Ives Hendrick commenting on Brunswick's pre-Oedipal article, and two letters from Sergius Pankejeff.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material

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BOX 1	Hendrick, Ives, 1940
BOX 1	Johnson, Fred Bates, 1932, 1939
BOX 1	Mack, Julian W. and Jessie (parents), undated
BOX 1	Pankejeff, Sergius, 1938
BOX 1	Unidentified
BOX 1	Cable to "F. F." (possibly Felix Frankfurter) from Brunswick regarding conditions in Vienna, Austria, 1933
BOX 1	Carbon copy of letter to "Herr Professor," undated
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BOX 1	Freud, Sigmund, clipping concerning his eightieth birthday, 1936
BOX 1	Society of the Lying-In Hospital, New York, N.Y., student training certificate, 1921
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BOX 1	Pankejeff, Sergius
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