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## **Introduction**

Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg (1896–1977) was the wife of Hans Behn-Eschenburg (1893-1934), himself an early collaborator and colleague of Hermann Rorschach. Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg was a psychoanalyst herself. Between the wars she was engaged in bridging between the fields of psychoanalysis, pedagogy and social work. After her husband's death in 1934 she subsequently retired from scientific work.

## General Information

### Reference Code

Ref. Code: Rorsch  
ISIL: CH-000956-2

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<http://biblio.unibe.ch/rorschach>

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# Inventory

## 1 **Fonds Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg, geb. Bräm, spät. Sigrist** (Fonds)

4 boxes (40 cm). - 1903-1977. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (Aktenbildner).

*Ed.:* 1903-1977.

*Content:* The fonds includes mostly scientific material and correspondence by and to Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg, which is not directly related to Hermann Rorschach and his Formdeutversuch.

*Access:* Only on inquiry.

*Biogr.:* Gertrud Bräm (1896-1977) was one of the first women in Switzerland who tried to bridge between the fields of psychoanalysis, pedagogy and social work. After her studies at the University of Zurich, she married the psychiatrist Hans Behn-Eschenburg (1921), a close collaborator of Hermann Rorschach and the author of the doctoral thesis „Psychische Schüleruntersuchungen mit dem Fordeutversuch“ (1921). In the 1920s Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg got a training as a psychoanalyst in Berlin and Vienna, and became a member of the Schweizerische Gesellschaft für Psychoanalyse. As a specialist for “difficult children” she taught at the Soziale Frauenschule in Zurich, the Schweizerische Pflegerinnenschule and the Kindergärtnerinnenseminar. After the death of her first husband (1932) and her second marriage she moved to the canton of Ticino in 1938. From then, she went on to publish sporadically. In 1954 she published her memories on the time with her late husband and Hermann Rorschach under the title “Working with Dr. Hermann Rorschach”.

*Reprod.:* Only with agreement of the Rorschach-Archives.

*Lang.:* Deutsch.

*Acq.:* This fonds was donated by Hans Vest in June 2013.

## 2 **1 : Scientific material (Series)**

24cm. - 1923-1967. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1.

*Lang.:* Deutsch.

## 3 **1/1 : Pedagogical works, 1931-1932 (File)**

various manuscripts. - 1931-1932. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 1.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Ed.:* 1931-1932.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

- 4 1/2 : Documents on individual children, 1923-1932 (File)**  
various manuscripts. - 1923-1932. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 2.  
*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).  
*Ed.:* 1923-1932.  
*Lang.:* German.  
*Acq.:* 2013.
- 5 1/3 : Advanced training in Vienna, 1931 (File)**  
various manuscripts and letters. - 1931. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 3.  
*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).  
*Ed.:* 1931.  
*Lang.:* German.  
*Acq.:* 2013.
- 6 1/4 : Women's School of Social Work Zurich, 1931-1939 (File)**  
various manuscripts and letters. - 1931-1939. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 4.  
*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).  
*Ed.:* 1931-1939.  
*Lang.:* German.  
*Acq.:* 2013.
- 7 1/5 : Women's School of Social Work Zurich, class schedules, 1929-1938 (File)**  
various manuscripts. - 1939-1938. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 5.  
*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).  
*Ed.:* 1929-1938.  
*Lang.:* German.  
*Acq.:* 2013.
- 8 1/6 : Advanced training for nursery teachers, 1931-1934 (File)**  
various manuscripts. - 1931-1934. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 6.  
*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).  
*Ed.:* 1931-1934.  
*Lang.:* German.  
*Acq.:* 2013.
- 9 1/7 : Student's note book by Lydia Gysel, 1932 (File)**  
various manuscripts. - 1932. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 7.  
*Contr.:* Gysel, Lydia) (author).

*Ed.:* 1932.  
*Lang.:* German.  
*Acq.:* 2013.  
*Note.:* Includes a student's notebook concerning Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg's lecture on pedagogy.

**10 1/8 : Leaflets and annual reports of various boarding schools, 1935-1938 (File)**

10 printed booklets. - 1935-1938. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 8.

*Ed.:* 1935-1938.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

**11 1/9 : Leaflets of scientific congresses (File)**

various programm leafleats. - 1932-1961. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 9.

*Ed.:* 1932-1961.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

**12 1/10 : Publications by Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg, 1928-1932 (File)**

2 prints. - 1932. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 10.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Ed.:* 1928-1932.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

*Note.:* Includes "Einige Beobachtungen zur Entstehung der Onanie und der Ödipussituation" (1928); "Die psychoanalytische Erziehung des Kleinkind-Erziehers" (1932).

**13 1/11 : Various manuscripts and public lectures by Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg, ca. 1930-1939 (File)**

2 boxes of manuscripts. - 1930-1939. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 1 : 11.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Ed.:* 1930-1939.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

*Note.:* Includes various, only partially dated manuscripts and public lectures by Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg. Most papers refer to the fields of pedagogy and psychoanalysis, none of them is directly related to the works of Hermann Rorschach. A detailed list of the papers (PDF file) is available at the Rorschach Archives.



## **14 2 : Correspondence (Series)**

8 cm. - 1919-1972. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 2.

*Lang.:* Deutsch.

### **15 2/1 : Scientific correspondence, 1930-1968 (File)**

1 file with letters. - 1930-1968. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 2 : 1.

*Contr.:* Aichhorn, August) (Schreiber/Scriptorium).

*Contr.:* Boss, Medard (1903-1990) (Schreiber/Scriptorium).

*Contr.:* Sarasin, Philipp (1888-1968) (Schreiber/Scriptorium).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

*Note.:* Includes among others letters from and to August Aichhorn, Médard Boss, Philipp Sarasin.

### **16 2/2 : Correspondence related to the publication of the Behn-Rorschach-Test, 1938-1977 (File)**

1 file with letters. - 1938-1977. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 2 : 2.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

### **17 2/3 : Correspondence with Wolfgang Schwarz, 1960-1972 (File)**

1 file with letters. - 1960-1972. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 2 : 3.

*Contr.:* Schwarz, Wolfgang, Psychologe (1926-) (Schreiber/Scriptorium).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

### **18 2/4 : Correspondence with colleagues and acquaintances, 1933-1968 (File)**

1 file with letters. - 1930-1968. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 2 : 4.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

*Note.:* Includes among others letters from and to Emma and Alice Balint; Fritz Baumann; Michael, Friede, Lisbeth and Angelica Baumann; Clara Happel; Alfred and Inge Roth; Albert Roth; Richard Sterba; Paul Walser.

### **19 2/5 : Correspondence with parents and family members, 1921-1967 (File)**

5 folders with letters and postcards. - 1921-1967. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 2 : 5.

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

*Note.:* Includes letters and postcards to various members of the families Hühnerwadel and Bräm, as well as an address booklet.

## **20 3 : Biographical material (Series)**

8 cm. - 1903-1977. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3.

*Lang.:* Deutsch.

### **21 3/1 : Curricula vitae, inventory of personal papers (File)**

1 file. - 1980-1990. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3 : 1.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

*Note.:* This material has been composed by Gertrud Behn-Eschenburg's descendants in the 1980s.

### **22 3/2 : Certificates, professional credentials, 1903-1937 (File)**

1 file. - 1903-1937. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3 : 2.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

### **23 3/3 : Official documents (identification cards, certificates of residence), 1944-1974 (File)**

1 file. - 1944-1974. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3 : 3.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

### **24 3/4 : Birthday cards, cards of condolence, 1976-1977 (File)**

1 file. - 1976-1977. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3 : 4.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

### **25 3/5 : Poems (File)**

1 album with poems and literary texts. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3 : 5.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

### **26 3/7 : Newspaper clippings on Rudolf Pannwitz, 1961-1969 (File)**

1 file. - 1961-1969. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch GBE 3 : 7.

*Contr.:* Behn-Eschenburg, Gertrud) (author).

*Lang.:* German.

*Acq.:* 2013.

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