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Introduction

Elisabeth Rorschach (1917-2006), the daughter of Hermann and Olga Rorschach, did not marry and left no offspring. After her mother's death in 1961 she together with her brother Wadim treasured the legacy of her father.

General Information

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Use

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Inventory

1 **Fonds Elisabeth Rorschach** (Fonds)

2 boxes (13 cm). - 187u-2006. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER.

Arrangt.: 1) Biographical material 2) Correspondence 3) Various documents.

Access: Only on inquiry.

Biogr.: Elisabeth Rorschach, the daughter of Hermann and Olga Rorschach, was born on 18th June 1917 in Herisau (Canton Appenzell A.Rh.), where her father had been employed since 1915 as a psychiatrist in the Cantonal Psychiatric Clinic. Her parents called her Lisa, and she used this name herself throughout her life. She grew up bilingually (German and Russian) but, as she relates in her curriculum vitae, after the death of her father in 1922 her ability to speak Russian had more and more diminished. When her father died Lisa was not even five years of age, and her younger brother, Wadim, just three. Her mother, herself a medical doctor, was compelled to provide for the family, and initially she continued the clinical work of her deceased husband. After two years she moved with her two children to Teufen (Canton Appenzell A.Rh.).

After her school years in Teufen and later at the Cantonal School St.Gallen Lisa Rorschach studied the English and Romance languages and literature at the University of Zurich and there in 1947 completed her studies. Afterwards she lived for some time in Scotland before settling in Zurich, where, until her retirement, she taught at the Business College of the Commercial Association. In 1953 she took her aging mother into her flat in the outskirts of Zurich. She died unexpectedly on the 15th August 2006 during a holiday in her beloved Appenzell.

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

Acq.: Bequeathed to the Rorschach-Archives by Elisabeth Rorschach. 2006.

Creat.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.

2 **1 : Biographical material** (Series)

5 cm. - 187u-2006. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 1.

Content: Photos, picture book, certificate of the International Society for Rorschach, a handwritten curriculum vitae, Elisabeth Rorschach's will, and records of a trip to Twer (Russia) in 1990.

3 **2 : Correspondence** (Series)

60 letters, 1 postcard, various enclosures. - 1945-2006. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2.

Ed.: 1945-2006.

Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.

Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.

- 4 **2/1 : Correspondence with and concerning Emil Rorschach USA 1945-1946** (File)
6 letters and various enclosures. - 1945-1946. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 1.
Ed.: 1945-1946.
Content: Correspondence between Emil Rorschach and Elisabeth Rorschach, letters from Paul Rorschach (brother of H.R.) to Elisabeth Rorschach, various enclosures.
Lang.: English and German.
Note.: Emil Rorschach from Oklahoma, USA tried to find out if there was a connection between his family of Rorschachs in the United States and the family of Hermann Rorschach. It came out that this was not the case.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Aut.: Rorschach, Emil.
Rorschach, Paul. 1891-1954.
Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Rorschach, Emil.
- 5 **2/2 : Correspondence with Walter Morgenthauer 1959** (File)
2 letters. - 1959. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 2.
Ed.: 1959.
Lang.: German.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Aut.: Morgenthauer, Walter. 1882-1965.
Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Morgenthauer, Walter. 1882-1965.
- 6 **2/3 : Correspondence with Wolfgang Schwarz 1959-1966** (File)
5 letters. - 1959-1966. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 3.
Ed.: 1959-1966.
Lang.: English and German.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Aut.: Schwarz, Wolfgang. Psychologe. 1926-.
Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Schwarz, Wolfgang. Psychologe. 1926-.
- 7 **2/4 : Correspondence with Eidgenössisches Gesundheitsamt 1963** (File)
2 letters and various enclosures. - 1963. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 4.
Ed.: 1963.
Content: Correspondence concerning an inquiry from Wolfgang Schwarz.
Lang.: German and English.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Aut.: Schweiz. Eidgenössisches Gesundheitsamt.

- Addr.:* Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Schweiz. Eidgenössisches Gesundheitsamt.
- 8 **2/5 : Correspondence with B.I. Belyj 1990-1993** (File)
3 letters, 1 postcard. - 1990-1993. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 5.
Ed.: 1990-1993.
Lang.: Russian and German.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Aut.: Belyj, Boris Iosifovič.
Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Belyj, Boris Iosifovič.
- 9 **2/6 : Letters from Manfred Bleuler to Elisabeth Rorschach 1962-1964** (File)
2 typewritten letters. - 1962-1964. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 6.
Ed.: 1962-1964.
Lang.: German.
Aut.: Bleuler, Manfred. 1903-1994.
Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
- 10 **2/7 : Correspondence with John E. Exner 2000-2001** (File)
8 letters. - 2000-2001. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 7.
Ed.: 2000-2001.
Lang.: English.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Aut.: Exner, John E. 1928-2006.
Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Exner, John E. 1928-2006.
- 11 **2/8 : Letters from Elisabeth Rorschach to Galina Scherrer 2000-2006** (File)
Photocopies of 3 handwritten letters. - 2000-2006. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 8.
Ed.: 2000-2006.
Lang.: German.
Note.: The letters concern Olga Rorschach's records written during her residence in the Rodionow Institute in Kazan.
Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.
Addr.: Scherrer, Galina.
- 12 **2/9 : Correspondence with various persons 1954-2000** (File)
35 letters. - 1923-2000. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 2 : 9.
Ed.: 1923-2000.

Content: Among others a letter from mother Olga to Lisa to her baptism in February 1923.

Arrangt.: Arranged chronologically.

Lang.: German and English.

Aut.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.

Addr.: Rorschach, Elisabeth. 1917-2006.

13 **3 : Various documents** (Series)

ca. 2 cm. - 1954-19uu. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 3.

Content: Curriculum vitae of Anna Berchtold Rorschach and various documents given by Wolfgang Schwarz to Elisabeth Rorschach.

14 **3/1 : Anna Berchtold-Rorschach's curriculum vitae** (Item)

10 pages. - 1954.09.07. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 3 : 1.

Ed.: 7. Sept. 1954.

Content: Photocopy of a handwritten curriculum vitae of Anna Berchtold-Rorschach.

Loc.orig.: The whereabouts of the original is unknown.

Lang.: German.

Aut.: Berchtold-Rorschach, Anna. 1888-1974.

15 **3/2 : Various documents given by Wolfgang Schwarz to Elisabeth Rorschach** (File)

ca. 2 cm. - 197u-19uu. - Ref. Nr: Rorsch ER 3 : 2.

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