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## Summary information

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**Repository:** University of Miami Special Collections

**Title:** Books Are Nice collection

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Books Are Nice is a publishing and graphic design house based in Miami, Florida. Founded in 2011 by Augusto Mendoza, the organization has published a number of books and zines, and has taken part in numerous literary events in South Florida.

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## Scope and content

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This collection documents Book Are Nice, and the organization's involvement in the literary culture of Miami. The collection currently includes materials from two editions of Pages & Spreads, a series of pop-up reading room events that Books Are Nice has helped organize.

## Notes

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### Title notes

### Immediate source of acquisition

Gift of Augusto Mendoza, 2014.

### Restrictions on access

This collection is open for research.

### Related material

Good, F. B., Mendoza, A., Garcia, V., Nuñez, V. R., & David Castillo Gallery,. (2013). Not on Allen Street. Miami, FL : Creative Creative.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Description identifier:** ArchonInternalCollectionID:1446

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## Series descriptions

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### Series id154779: Pages & Spreads: Literary Telephone Event

Date: 2013 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

Pages & Spreads is a series of events designed to promote printed matter in Miami. The second edition of the event took place on October 19, 2013 at Lester's, a former coffee shop/bar/literary hang-out space in Miami's Wynwood neighborhood. The event was described as such: "In traditional publishing, an artist creates a work then passes it on to the publisher. The publisher edits it then gives it to a designer who, in turn, structures it visually, and finally sends it off to the printer, who makes it an object. For the second edition of Pages & Spreads, in collaboration with Jai-Alai magazine and Coloform, we will go through this entire process on site. In just 4 hours we will create, edit, design and print a unique zine to be distributed freely...But there's a catch: this zine will be written by you. Ever play the 'Telephone' game, where you send a message around a circle of people and see how it turns out? For this pop-up reading room we'll be playing the literary version. Everyone will have the chance to translate, recast or respond to an original poem from Jai-Alai magazine, until enough 'translations' are made for the zine." -- Description from Pages & Spreads.

Publication status:

Published				
<b>File / item list</b>				
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id154780	File -			1
id154781	File - Zine: Trans/Tell	2013		1 1
id154782	File - Included Translations	2013		1 2
id154783	File - Translations	2013		1 3
id154784	File - Translations	2013		1 4
id154785	File - Translations	2013		1 5
id154786	File - Translations	2013		1 6
id154787	File - Ephemera	2013		1 7
<b>Series id160357: Pages &amp; Spreads: Miami Zine Fair</b>				
<u>Date</u> : 2014 (date of creation)				
<u>Scope and content</u> :				
<p>Pages &amp; Spreads is a series of events designed to promote printed matter in Miami. This particular version of the event was a local zine and publishing fair held on April 19, 2014 at the Edgewater Poetry &amp; Athletics Club. The event was presented with O, Miami as part of their month long festival celebrating poetry in Miami.</p>				
<u>Publication status</u> :				
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<b>File / item list</b>				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
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id160360	File - Tote Bags & Button	n.d.		2 2