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Felix Cruz-Álvarez Papers

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Summary information

Repository: University of Miami Cuban Heritage Collection

Title: Felix Cruz-Álvarez Papers

ID: CHC5031

Date: 1952-2002 (date of creation)

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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

Félix Cruz-Álvarez was born in the town of Cárdenas, of Matanzas province, Cuba, on October 18, 1937. He attended primary and secondary school in his home town of Cárdenas at the Colegio Presbiteriano La Progresiva, graduating in June 1955 with a degree in Bachiller en Letras and went on to study law and social sciences at the University of Havana in 1955-1956 and 1959-1960. In 1960 he discontinued his studies for political reasons.

In 1957-1958 Cruz-Alvarez served public office as secretary in the city council at Cárdenas. During this time period, he also was elected president of the conservative group, Juventud Demócrata, and in 1959 he joined the Ministry of the Sugar Industry, where he worked until 1965.

From 1959 to 1965 Cruz-Alvarez participated in acts of conspiracy against the Communist government of Cuba, and in 1965-1968 he was directed to engage in a series of forced voluntary works for the government. As a result of his anti-government actions, he endured political persecution until he left Cuba via the Freedom Flights, on November 6, 1968. He resided in Chicago between 1968 and 1971 and then resettled in Miami.

Cruz-Alvarez received the Bachelor of Arts degree in 1974 at Biscayne College (currently, St. Thomas University), the Master of Arts degree (1979) and the Ph.D. degree in philosophy from the University of Miami. The title of his dissertation is: *Los poetas del grupo de Orígenes*, which is currently in the holdings of the Otto G. Richter Library at the University of Miami.

He has been a professor of Spanish since 1976, teaching at various local institutions, including Miami-Dade Community College (1976-1981), Florida International University (1981-1982), the Miami-Dade County public school system since 1983, and Miami Springs Senior High School.

Félix Cruz-Alvarez wed the former Xiomara Carbot Estabil on March 7, 1964 in the town of Carlos Rojas, Matanzas province, Cuba.

Scope and content

The Félix Cruz-Alvarez Papers contain a collection of personal papers, consisting of articles, essays, and studies; conference papers; correspondence; illustrations; manuscripts of published and unpublished works; and vita. The papers cover Cruz-Álvarez's life as a writer and academic in the United States.

Notes

Title notes

Immediate source of acquisition

Gift of Felix Cruz-Álvarez, 2001.

Arrangement

The papers are arranged into five series by type of material. Series I contains articles, essays, and studies; Series 2 contains conference papers given by Cruz-Álvarez; Series 3 consists of correspondence arranged by correspondent; Series 4 contains various drawings and illustrations; and Series 5 consists of manuscripts.

Restrictions on access

This collection is open for research.

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Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
 - **Description identifier:** ArchonInternalCollectionID:373
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Access points

- Authors, Cuban -- 20th century (subject)
- Cuban poetry -- 20th century (subject)
- Cubans -- Political activity -- United States (subject)

- Exiles -- Cuba (subject)

Series descriptions

Series id63897: Articles, Essays, and Interviews

Date: 1971-1990 (date of creation)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id63898	File -			1
id63899	File - Articles, published	1971-1990		1 1
id63900	File - Articles and essays, published	1973-1997		1 2
id63901	File - Articles and essays, original clippings	circa 1970s		1 3
id63902	File - Articles and correspondence	1977-1990		1 4
id63903	File - Essays and studies, unpublished	circa 1970s-1980s		1 5
id63904	File - Interview by Sandra M. Saborio	1989 November 21		1 6
id63905	File - Curriculum Vitae	2000		1 7

Series id63906: Conferences

Date: circa 19702-1980s (date of creation)

Publication status:

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File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id63907	File -			1
id63908	File - Conferences			1 8
id63909	File - Conferences, unpublished			1 9

Series id63910: Correspondence

Date: 1962-1989 (date of creation)

Publication status:

Published

File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id63911	File -			1
id63912	File - Correspondence, Abello-Consuegra			1 10
id63913	File - Correspondence, Cova-Florit			1 11
id63914	File - Correspondence, García-Machado			1 12
id63915	File - Correspondence, Marquez-Pita			1 13
id63916	File - Correspondence, Prado-Villa			1 14
id63917	File - Correspondence, unknown authors			1 15

Series id63918: Audio-visual materials

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File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id63919	File -			2
id63920	File - Photographs, color	circa 1970s-1980s		2 1
id63921	File - Illustrations	1983-1985		2 2
id63922	File -			3
id63923	File - VHS, "Mesa Revuelta" television program	1963 December 20		3 1

Series id63924: Manuscripts

Date: 1952-2001 (date of creation)

Publication status:

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File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id63925	File -			2
id63926	File - "Introducción a Gongora," unpublished	1963		2 3
id63927	File - Poems, published	1975		2 4
id63928	File - Novela, El Sitio Más Hermoso, part I	1995-1999		2 5
id63929	File - Novela, El Sitio Más Hermoso, part II	1995-1999		2 6
id63930	File - Poems published in book format	1982-1984		2 7
id63931	File - La Poesía de Emilia Bernal	1982		2 8
id63932	File - "Presencia de Ti"	1953		2 9
id63933	File - Poem, "Conversación," unpublished	2000		2 10
id63934	File - Poems, published	1952-1989		2 11
id63935	File - Poems, unpublished	1960-1997		2 12

id63936	File - Excerpt from Varadero: Sueño Con Mareas	1973	2 13
id63937	File - Reception for Ateneo de Matanzas	1967 November 18	2 14
id63938	File - Speeches	1978-1985	2 15
id63939	File - Poems	2000-2001	2 16