Miriam Lee Kaprow Papers
Finding Aid

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Biographical Note:
Dr. Miriam Lee “Mimi” Kaprow was an anthropologist who taught at John Jay College; she also was a senior research fellow at the Institute for the Study of Man. Kaprow’s first career was as a dancer, which ended with a serious injury. Her brother is the renowned painter Allan Kaprow.

Dr. Kaprow received a doctorate in Social Anthropology from Columbia University in 1978. In the course of her research she received several grants and awards, including 3 NSF grants, as well as grants from NEH, Werner Gren Foundation as well as several PSC-CUNY Faculty Research Grants from the CUNY Research Foundation.

Collection Description:
The John Jay College portion of Dr. Kaprow’s papers covers her research on firefighters. This collection is available for study by appointment in the Special Collections Room without restrictions.

Related Collections:
Other portions of Dr. Kaprow’s papers have been donated to the New School of Social Research and Wagner College.

References
1997 “Miriam Lee Kaprow, 64” Anthropology News

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Box Listing

Box 1:
Grants Proposed and Received
Grants files: NSF, NEH, Werner Gren, PSC-CUNY, Guggenheim Foundation
Proposals, related correspondence, reports and other documents
Writings
Writing Drafts and completed manuscripts by M. Kaprow
Conferences
Conferences organized and attended by M. Kaprow.
   Risk Conference

Box 2:
Miscellaneous materials relating to Firefighters
   Women Firefighters Training Program – John Jay College 1988
   Court Transcript Colorado Court of Appeals 84CA 0898
   Pamphlets relating to Firefighters and Firefighting
   Record Book, Engine Co. 301 1969-1970
      Photocopies, patches removed from record book
   Uniformed Firefighters Association Communication Bulletins
   Uniformed Firefighters Association Memoranda
   FDNY Recruitment, Discrimination
   Photocopies of Articles on Firefighting and Firefighters
      Unsorted files containing articles, with some research notes interspersed.

Box 3:
Photocopies of Articles on Firefighting and Firefighters and Misc.
additional unsorted files containing photocopies of articles interspersed with some research notes. (Including articles relating to CUNY and John Jay College and the PSC CUNY Union, and women in the workplace)
Testimony transcripts—
   City Council Committee on Civil Service and Labor, 1992
   Equal Employment Practices Commission, 1993
   Anthropological studies material

Box 4:
Miscellaneous Books, Newsletters
   WFS Quarterly
   UFA Fire Lines
   USFA Fire Investigation Technical Report Series

Note: additional monographic titles on firefighting were cataloged for the John Jay College Stacks.