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Boag Foundation fonds

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Summary information

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Title: Boag Foundation fonds

ID: RBSC-ARC-1693

Date: 1948-1995 (date of creation)

Physical description: 9 microfilm rolls : negative ; 16 mm

**Dates of creation,
revision and deletion:**

Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The Allan Boag Foundation is a grant giving non-profit society that was established in 1944. Its goals are to promote the principles of democratic Socialism. It sponsors educational projects, grants, and scholarships.

Allan Boag arrived in Vancouver from Scotland in 1894. Initially, he worked at his trade as a foundryman until 1918. Following a recession, he spent several years as a self-employed grocer and nurseryman, acquiring properties throughout Vancouver. The eventual increase in value of these properties led to the establishment of Boag's wealth. In agreement with his views about the failings of the economic and social system which prevailed that he had formed during his less profitable years, Boag turned over all of his possessions to a trust at the time of his death in 1944. Allan Boag's vision that a humane and equitable society could be achieved through the development of a democratic socialist society was reflected through the goals and activities of the Foundation.

The Foundation focuses on promoting the furtherance of workers' education in the disciplines of history, economics, social and political economy and trade union organization. Through a diverse range of activities the Foundation seeks to accomplish these directives. Annual scholarships are maintained at three universities. Grants of books, studies and special collections have been provided to university and college libraries. The Foundation has published and has assisted authors to publish. For many years the Foundation operated a labour school called Boag House and continues to assist special programs at the Canadian Labour Congress Winter School.

Custodial history

During their use, records were created and kept by the Boag Foundation. In 1996, records were transferred to microfilm reels by Precision Micrographic Services Inc. The material was then donated in microfilm form to the UBC Rare Books and Special Collections on October 28, 2010 by Seline Kutan on behalf of the Boag Foundation.

Scope and content

The records of this fonds were created by the Boag Foundation offices. Contents include historical files, administrative records, accounting and financial documents and project files relating to the activities of the foundation.

Notes

Title notes

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
- **Alpha-numeric designations:** Box numbers correspond with microfilm roll numbers. See reference code in file descriptions to locate roll number.

Series descriptions

Historical files

Date: 1948 - 1966 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the development and initial functioning of the Boag Foundation. Contents include the acquisition and management of properties, projects and correspondence.

Physical description: 1.5 microfilm rolls of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-01	File - Fire Sale of Vacant Lot to City	1960		
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-02	File - "Boag Centre" Property (Hastings Street)	1959-1960		
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-03	File - General Files	January, 1949 - January, 1951		
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-04	File - General Files	January, 1945 - 1949		
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-05	File - Property Payments	December, 1960 - December, 1961		

RBSC-ARC-1693-1-06	File - General Files	January, 1961 - January, 1962
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-07	File - Grants and General Files	1948-1951
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-10	File - Rentals	1962
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-11	File - Gooleaf Property Purchase	1957-1962
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-12	File - General Correspondence	1962-1964
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-08	File - Finances	1945-1952
RBSC-ARC-1693-1-09	File - Jack Scott Book	November, 1961
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-01	File - Michael Oliver, Social Purpose for Canada	1957 - 1966
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-02	File - "Workers in a Changing World" Pamphlet	1964 - 1966
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-03	File - Evergreen Press and D.G. Steeves	1958 - 1968
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-04	File - Property Sale (2111 East 54 Ave. Vancouver)	1962
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-05	File - Rentals	1963
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-06	File - Rentals	1964
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-07	File - Rentals	1965

Rentals and finances

Date: 1964 - 1972 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating primarily to the management of properties owned or rented by the Boag Foundation. It also contains records relating to a small number of projects that took place in the late 60s and early 70s, as well as income taxes of that time.

Physical description: 1 microfilm roll of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-08	File - Mission Property	1964 - 1970		
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-09	File - Rentals	1967		
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-10	File - Rentals	1968		
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-11	File - Rentals	1969 - May, 1971		
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-12	File - Rentals	May, 1971 - May, 1972		
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-13	File - Rentals	1966		
RBSC-ARC-1693-2-14	File - Rentals	April, 1972 - May, 1973		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-01	File - Rentals	June, 1973 - December, 1974		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-02	File - Rentals	January, 1975		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-03	File - General Documents and Letters	1965 - 1966		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-04	File - General Documents and Letters	1967 - 1968		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-05	File - General Documents and Letters	1970		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-06	File - General Documents and Letters	January, 1971 - May, 1971		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-07	File - General Documents and Letters	1969		

RBSC-ARC-1693-3-08	File - Financial Statements and Annual Reports	1958 - 1971
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-09	File - Legal & Financial Matters with W.W. Lefeaux	1971 - 1972
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-10	File - Colin Cameron, M.P., Death	1968
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-11	File - Krotter Essay on Jack London	1970 - 1971
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-12	File - Higginbotham Book on Tommay Douglas	1969 - 1971
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-13	File - Incomes Taxes and other Miscl. Documents	1970 - 1971

Requests and finances

Date: 1965 - 1981 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the requests for funding from various projects and individuals. Material pertains primarily to the financial aspects of this process, but also concerns applications and legal matters.

Physical description: 1 microfilm roll of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-14	File - History of Labour in B.C. Project	1965 - 1968		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-15	File - SFU "Thinkers Conference"	1965 - 1968		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-16	File - Broadway Commonwealth Society, 2nd Mortgage	1966		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-17	File - Broadway Commonwealth Society	1965 - 1973		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-18	File - Rodney Young	1972 - 1976		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-19	File - Harold B. Wilson Book	1971 - 1977		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-20	File - Robert A. Williams on Forestry	1969 - 1971		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-21	File - General Documents	1968 - 1972		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-23	File - Branch Plant Task Forces	1971		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-24	File - Dave Barrett Proposal	1971		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-25	File - Donations - Approved and Rejected	1973 - 1976		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-26	File - Donations - Approved and Rejected	1977 - 1978		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-27	File - Donations - Approved and Rejected	1979 - 1980		
RBSC-ARC-1693-3-22	File - Centennial Committee for Socialist Education	1971		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-01	File - Donations - Approved and Rejected	1980 - 1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-02	File - Donations - Approved and Rejected	1969 - 1972		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-03	File - Vancouver Medical Building	1973		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-04	File - Properties	1972 - 1977		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-05	File - Receipts and Disbursements	1968 - 1972		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-06	File - Property Sold to Mark 7 Development	1978 - 1983		

RBSC-ARC-1693-4-07	File - "Employee Relations" Scheme	1979
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-08	File - "Counter Culture"	1968
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-09	File - Boag Forestry Report	1968
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-10	File - Mortgage Payment Schedules	1975
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-11	File - Oakridge Management Correspondence	1978
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-12	File - Oakridge Management Rent Statements	1978
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-13	File - Vancouver Properties, General	1970 - 1978
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-14	File - Legal Correspondence W. Erskine Blackburn	1976 - 1986
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-15	File - T.L. Dhajani, Accountant, Correspondence	1973 - 1979
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-16	File - Accounting Documents	1972
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-17	File - Accounting Documents	1973
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-18	File - Accounting Documents	1974
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-19	File - Petty Cash Vouchers	1972 - 1981

Projects

Date: 1968 - 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the projects undertaken and supported by the Boag Foundation. Projects include assistance in publication for authors, workshops and school programs and some initial records relating to the Social Calendar.

Physical description: 1.5 microfilm rolls of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-21	File - Alberta Development Fund	1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-22	File - Philip Resneck and Citizen Forum	1982 - 1991		
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-23	File - Liberation Theology Conference, SFU	1986 - 1989		
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-24	File - Now, Right Now Song Book	1968 - 1974		
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-25	File - Grace MacInnis Biography Project	1992 - 1995		
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-26	File - Herschel Hardin, New Bureaucracy	1990 - 1992		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-01	File - VCC Working Knowledge Conference	1990 - 1991		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-02	File - Canadian Labour Congress Winter School	1980		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-03	File - Frank R. Scott Projects	1985 - 1988		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-04	File - SFU Conference on Frank R. Scott	1980 - 1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-05	File - International Socialist Workshop	1992		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-06	File - Douglas Coldwell Futures Project	1991 - 1993		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-07	File - Canada West Foundation	1976 - 1986		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-08	File - Boag Calendar	1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-09	File - Boag Calendar, Expenses	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-10	File - Boag Calendar, Accounts	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-11	File - Lefty Morgan Memorial Fund	1988		
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-12	File - Socialist Calendar	1981		

RBSC-ARC-1693-7-13	File - Socialist Calendar	1982
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-14	File - Socialist Calendar	1983
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-15	File - Socialist Calendar, Expenses	1983
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-16	File - Socialist Calendar, Expenses	1983
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-17	File - Socialist Calendar	1984
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-18	File - Socialist Calendar, Journeyman Press Bill	1983 - 1987
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-19	File - Overtime Production Tapes	1977 - 1978
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-20	File - BCTF Movie, Twenty Cents a Day	1979 - 1985
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-21	File - Dale Lovick, Tommy Douglas Speaks	1980
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-22	File - Perline, The Saskatchewan Revolution	1979
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-23	File - Applications Accepted & Refused	1981 - 1982
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-24	File - Donation Applications	1982 - 1984

Projects: refused and funded

Date: 1958 - 1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the selection and administration of funding for projects supported by the Boag Foundation. Material primarily includes application documents, inquires and correspondence.

Physical description: 1 microfilm roll of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-14	File - Coal Tyee New Horizons Oral History Project	1979 - 1988		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-15	File - Fist & Rose Book	1981 - 1992		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-16	File - Pacific Group for Policy Alternatives	1986 - 1989		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-17	File - Vancouver Cooperative Radio	1974 - 1984		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-18	File - Terra Films - History of the CCF	1981 - 1986		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-19	File - Socialist International - Vancouver Congress	1975 - 1979		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-20	File - Selkirk College Library	1976 - 1977		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-21	File - College of New Caledonia Library	1977		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-22	File - Malaspina College Library	1977 - 1979		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-23	File - David Lewis Research Honararium	1981 - 1985		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-24	File - Capilano College Library	1976 - 1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-25	File - Capilano College	1975 - 1976		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-26	File - Canadian Centre for Policy Alternatives	1982 - 1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-27	File - Camp Jubilee	1986 - 1989		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-28	File - "Democratic Socialism" Conference	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-01	File - D.G. Steeve, The Compassionate Rebel	1977 - 1982		

RBSC-ARC-1693-6-02	File - Morden Lazarus, The Long and Winding Road	1977 - 1984
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-03	File - Mather, Pertinent Portraits	1983 - 1984
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-04	File - Turner Memoirs: Somewhere A Perfect Place	1981 - 1985
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-05	File - Lazarus, Long and Winding Road	1978 - 1993
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-06	File - Miscellaneous General Documents	1971 - 1987
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-07	File - Meeting with David Lewis	1958
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-08	File - National Library of Canada	1978 - 1981
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-09	File - Publishers and Associations	1978 - 1989
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-10	File - Applications Refused	1991 - 1995
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-11	File - Applications Funded	1993
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-12	File - Applications Funded	1985 - 1992
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-13	File - Woodsworth-Irvine Socialist Fellowship	1988
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-14	File - Woodsworth House Historical Society	1995
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-15	File - Ontario Woodsworth Memorial Foundation	1973 - 1979
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-16	File - Frank Snowsell	1981 - 1988
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-17	File - Harold Wilson, A Conservative Farce	1993
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-18	File - Polling Data of Federal Elections	1974, 1979, 1980
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-19	File - Requests	1993 - 1994
RBSC-ARC-1693-6-20	File - Socialist International Address Lists	1979, 1981

Applications refused

Date: 1984 - 1989 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to applications for support that were refused by the Boag Foundation.

Physical description: 0.25 microfilm rolls of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-7-25	File - Applications Refused	1984 - 1985		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-01	File - Applications Refused	1985 - 1986		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-02	File - Applications Refused	1987 - 1989		

Socialist Calendar

Date: 1980 - 1984 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the of the Socialist Calendar, a significant project of the Boag Foundation. The Socialist Calendar was a annual calendar created by the Boag Foundation featuring highlighted events in the history of socialism and artwork about the socialist movement.

Physical description: 1.25 microfilm rolls of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-03	File - Reports and the Socialist Calendar	1980 - 1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-04	File - Layouts, Socialist Calendar	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-05	File - Socialist International Affiliates	1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-06	File - Socialist Calendar, Advertising & Billing	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-07	File - Socialist Calendar, Budget Administration	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-08	File - Socialist Calendar, Telephone Bills, Rent	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-09	File - Socialist Calendar, Blailock Inc.	1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-10	File - Copyright, Socialist Calendar	1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-11	File - Copyright, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-12	File - Copyright, Socialist Calendar	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-13	File - Correspondence, Socialist Calendar	1981 - 1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-14	File - French Edition, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-15	File - Correspondence, Socialist Calendar	1980		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-16	File - Broadway PPrinters, Socialist Calendar	1980 - 1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-17	File - Invoices, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-18	File - Orders Paid, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-8-19	File - Orders Paid, Socialist Calendar	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-01	File - Orders Paid, Socialist Calendar	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-02	File - Distribution Abroad, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-03	File - Distribution USA, Socialist Calendar	1981 - 1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-04	File - Distribution Canada, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-05	File - New Star Books US Sales, Socialist Calendar	1982 - 1984		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-06	File - Unpaid Orders, Socialist Calendar	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-07	File - Unpaid Orders, Socialist Calendar	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-08	File - List of Orders, Socialist Calendar	1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-09	File - Socialist Calendar	1983		

Accounting documents

Date: 1975 - 1993 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the accounting and finances of the Boag Foundation. Material primarily concerns financial statements, correspondence on financial matters, bills and invoices and income tax returns.

Physical description: 1 microfilm roll of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-20	File - Accounting Documents	1975		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-21	File - Accounting Documents	1976		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-22	File - Accounting Documents	1977		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-23	File - Accounting Documents	1978		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-24	File - Accounting Documents	1979		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-25	File - Accounting Documents	1980		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-26	File - Accounting Documents	1981		
RBSC-ARC-1693-4-27	File - Accounting Documents	1982		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-01	File - Accounting Documents	January, 1983 - October, 1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-02	File - Accounting Documents	November, 1983 - December, 1983		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-03	File - Accounting Documents	1984		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-04	File - Accounting Documents	1985		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-05	File - Accounting Documents	1986		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-06	File - Toronto-Dominion Bank	1972 - 1989		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-07	File - Legal: Stowe & Lee	1989 - 1993		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-08	File - Pemberton Securities	1988 - 1990		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-09	File - Joe Corsbie (Accountant)	1979 - 1990		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-10	File - Financial Statements	1972 - 1986		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-11	File - Registrar of Companies Reports	1972 - 1986		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-12	File - Income Tax Returns	1972 - 1990		
RBSC-ARC-1693-5-13	File - Winch Replacement on Board of Directors	1993		

Articles regarding socialism

Date: 1961 - 1990 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

This series contains records relating to the writing and distribution of articles regarding socialism. The Boag Foundation provided authors with aid in the publishing and circulation of such materials.

Physical description: 0.50 microfilm rolls of textual records

File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-10	File - Jim McKenzie, This Corner of the World	[ca. 1975]		

RBSC-ARC-1693-9-11	File - Review of Steeves, The Compassionate Rebel	[ca. 1978]
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-12	File - Marshall Bauder, Third Force	1990
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-13	File - W. Young, History of Socialism In B.C.	1965 - 1974
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-14	File - M. Lazarus, Winch by Winch	1973, 1979 - 1981
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-15	File - Sample of Student Papers Submitted to Boag	1961 - 1989
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-16	File - Elaine Bernard, "Rod Young Affair"	1978
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-17	File - D. W. Thompson, "The Failure of Radical Unionism"	1979
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-18	File - Jeremy Weber, "Roots of CCF's Oriental Policy"	[ca. 1980]
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-19	File - Bill Tielman, "Reaction of Socialists to WWI"	[ca. 1981]
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-20	File - Frank Roberta, "Fabian Society and Karl Marx"	1980
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-21	File - F. Roberts, "William Morris & the Woman Matter"	1985
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-22	File - E. Spalding, "League of Social Reconstruction"	1981
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-23	File - Jane Sproule, "Themes... in B.C. Labour History"	1981
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-24	File - Michelle Patterson, "Petrograd Trade Unions 1917"	1989
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-25	File - Robert Elliott, "IWW in BC, 1906 - 1915"	1989
RBSC-ARC-1693-9-26	File - Robert Jackson, "Towards a New Political Party"	1961