

Ida Bourgoin Roy papers and recordings, 1936-2007

MCC-00399

Finding Aid

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Title: Ida Bourgoïn Roy papers and recordings

Creator/Collector: Bourgoïn, Ida Roy

Collection number: MCC-00399

Shelf list number: UM-399, AJ-399, BM-399

Dates: 1936-2007

Extent: 2 boxes, 5 compact discs (1.0 cubic feet)

Provenance: Material was acquired from Marie Cecile Roy, 2009.

Language: English, French.

Conservation notes: Original photos were inserted in plastic sleeves for protection. All staples were removed and replaced with archival quality staples. One oversize poster *French connection* was inserted in plastic sleeves for preservation and given shelf list number BM-399

Access restrictions: No restrictions on access.

Physical restrictions: None.

Technical restrictions: A compact disc player is required to access part of this collection.

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Separated materials: Not applicable.

Related materials: Ida Bourgoïn Roy manuscript collection, MCC-00161.

Location of originals: Unknown.

Location of copies: Not applicable.

Published in: Not applicable.

Biographical information:

Ida Bourgoïn Roy was born April 17, 1921, in Stockholm, Maine, the daughter of Patrick and Alvina (Marquis) Bourgoïn. She married Rosaire Roy, Sr., a lumberjack from Daigle, Maine, on November 10, 1941. They raised 8 children: 5 boys and 3 girls.

Ida Roy was a Saint John Valley ballad singer and Acadian songwriter; she collected Acadian music for more than 50 years. Having learned music from her father, Ida was known as the "Voice of the Valley." She was featured in *Down East* magazine for her contributions to Acadian culture and was

selected as Woman of Aroostook County 1999.t. Her love of Acadian music had become a lifelong passion to keep the musical art alive. She performed at the Maine State Festival on many occasions, and composed many published poems and songs. She was a member of the American Historical Society, St. Agatha; the Evangeline Circle No. 464; Daughters of Isabella and a member of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 49, Van Buren.

Ida died on February 22, 2007, in Van Buren, Maine.

Scope and content:

This collection consists of papers created and collected by Ida Bourgoïn Roy. Included are manuscripts and photocopies of stories, poems, songs, articles, images, correspondence, and recordings. This collection also includes a 1936 image of students dressed for a performance, including one in black face.

This is an ongoing collection; additional materials may be added by Roy family members.

Inventory:

Box 1

Stories by Ida Roy. 1997-2003.	Folder 1
Stories about Ida Roy. Undated.	2
Stories collected by Ida Roy. 2002 and undated.	3
Songs by Ida Roy. 1973-2004.	4
Songs collected by Ida Roy (unknown authors). Undated.	5
Poems by Ida Roy. 2000-2005.	6
Poems Ida Roy collected. 2002, undated.	7
Articles about Ida Roy. 1989-2007.	8
Articles collected by Ida Roy. 1981-2001.	9
Collected song list from Ida Roy. Undated.	10
Pictures. 1936, undated.	11

Box 2

Correspondence. 1998-2003, undated.	Folder 12
Correspondence. 2004-2005.	12A
Print outs (flyers, itineraries, etc.). 1990-1999, undated.	13
Miscellaneous. 1976-2002.	14
Genealogies. 1988, undated.	15
Photocopies of Ida Roy songbooks. Undated.	16

Note: In 2012, 3 audiocassettes belonging to Marie Cecile Roy were brought in by Chad Pelletier to be copied on archival compact discs. A white label copy was also done for patron use. The cassettes were returned to Chad.

CD titles

Complainte Wilfrid Roy

Interview w. Ida Roy

Ida Roy & Florence Martin

Ida Roy & Florence Martin

1985 Brunswick Festival

Archival CDs

MCC-00399 AJ-399 pt1A

MCC-00399 AJ-399 pt1B

MCC-00399 AJ-399 pt2A

MCC-00399 AJ-399 pt2B

MCC-00399 AJ-399 pt3

White label CDs (Acadian A-V AudioCD)

F27 .R69 pt.1A

F27 .R69 pt.1B

F27 .R69 pt.2A

F27 .R69 pt.2B

F27 .R69 pt.3