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## Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** YCAL MSS 544

**CREATOR:** Szold-Fritz, Bernardine

**TITLE:** Bernardine Szold-Fritz correspondence

**DATES:** circa 1917-1973

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 2.09 linear feet (5 boxes)

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The collection contains correspondence to Bernardine Szold-Fritz from well-known cultural figures from the 20th century.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Bernardine Szold-Fritz, 1974.

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### Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

## Conditions Governing Use

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## Preferred Citation

Bernardine Szold-Fritz Correspondence. Yale Collection of American Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

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## Processing Information

The collection received preliminary processing in the 1970s. The list below was created in the 1980s by graduate students, who transcribed folder headings, under the direction of the curator of the Yale Collection of American Literature.

Formerly classed as Za Szold-Fritz.

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## Bernardine Szold-Fritz (1896-1982)

Bernardine Szold-Fritz, née Bernardine Sholes, was born August 14, 1896 in Peoria, Illinois. She established the International Art Theater in Shanghai, China and was a Paris correspondent for the *The New Yorker* before establishing herself as a hostess in Hollywood. She married multiple times, including marriages to Otto K. Liveright on November 6, 1922 and Chester Fritz on June 18, 1929. Bernardine Szold-Fritz died February 15, 1982 in Los Angeles, California.

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## Scope and Contents

The Bernardine Szold-Fritz Correspondence contains letters to Szold-Fritz from well-known cultural figures from the Twentieth century. There are letters from writers and publishers, artists and photographers, actors and filmmakers, musicians and performers, diplomats and public officials, and others. Correspondents include: Harold Acton, Joseph Cotton, George and Marius de Zayas, Lotte Errell, F. Scott Fitzgerald, Éva Gauthier, Rosamond Gilder, Peggy Guggenheim, John Huston, David Lilienthal, Alice Rahon, Eric Maria Remarque, Chard Powers Smith, Joseph von Sternberg, Szeming Sze, Pavel Tchelitchew, Carl Van Vechten, Beatrice Wanger (Nadja), Glenway Wescott, Rebecca West, and Monroe Wheeler. Correspondence dates from 1917 to 1973, and appears to be particularly rich for the period from the 1920s through 1940s. Some files contain enclosures such as photographs, clippings, and printed ephemera.

Chiefly in English, with some material in French.

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## Arrangement

Arranged alphabetically by last name.

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### Correspondence, [circa 1917-1973]

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b.1	<a href="#">Acton, Harold</a>
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b.1	Arthur, Gavin
b.1	Asquith, Anthony
b.1	Babcock, Winifred (Mrs. Charles Babcock)
b.1	Baldwin, Roger
b.1	Bayer, Joella (Levy)
b.1	Belasco, David
b.1	Benét, Rosemary
b.1	Bianco, Pamela
b.1	Bird, Remsen Dubois
b.1	Bocher, Main
b.1	Boyd, Madeleine
b.1	Bradford, Mary Rose
b.1	Bradley, William Aspenwall
b.1	Bromfield, Louis
b.1	Browne, Maurice and Nellie
b.1	<a href="#">Buck, Pearl</a>
b.1	Butts, Anthony
b.1	Bynner, Witter
b.1	<a href="#">Chang, C. C.</a>
b.1	<a href="#">Chang, Rosalind and Hsing Hai</a>
b.1	Chanler, Theodore Ward
b.1	Charnas, Suzy
b.1	<a href="#">Chen, Georgette</a>
b.1	Cohen, Sidney and Lester
b.1	<a href="#">Condé Nast</a>

b.1	Cotten, Joseph and Lenore
b.1	Cowles, Russell
b.1	Dan, Mme.
b.1	Davenport, Marcia and Russell
b.1	Davidson, J. LeRoy
b.1	Davis, Robert H.
b.1	De Havilland, Olivia
b.1	d'Ehrmanns, Tibor
b.1	de Kobra, Maurice
b.1	De Zayas, George
b.1	De Zayas, Marius
b.1	<a href="#">Dhamadina, Sister</a>
b.1	Dooley, Louis R. and "Betts"
b.1	Douglas, Helen Gahagan
b.1	Douglas, Melvyn
b.1	Draper, Paul
b.1	Durant, Ariel (Mrs. Will Durant)
b.1	Epstein, Lady (Margaret) and (Kathleen)
b.1	Errell, Lotte
b.1	Erskine, Pauline (Mrs. John Erskine)
b.1	<a href="#">Feibleman, James</a>
b.1	Feng, Doreen
b.1	Fisher, Thomas Hart and Ruth
b.2	<a href="#">Fitzgerald, F. Scott</a>
b.2	Fitz Herbert, Lady Diana
b.2	Flanner, Janet
b.2	Ford, Jacqueline
b.2	Frank, Waldo
b.2	Gardiner, Garnett
b.2	Gauthier, Eva

b. 2	Gaynor, Janet (Mrs. P. Gregory)
b. 2	Gilder, Rosamond
b. 2	Gilman, Dorothy and Mildred
b. 2	Giorgi, Elsie A.
b. 2	Godowsky, Dagmar
b. 2	Goldsmith, Vera Caspary
b. 2	Graham, Stephen
b. 2	Graham-Watson, Beth
b. 2	Greer, Howard
b. 2	<a href="#">Guggenheim, Peggy</a>
b. 2	<a href="#">Gunther, John</a>
b. 2	Gwynne, Erskine
b. 2	<a href="#">Hall-Mills</a>
b. 2	Halliday, Richard
b. 2	Hammond, Richard
b. 2	Harris, Walter
b. 2	Harrison, Francis Burton
b. 2	Hartman, Åke
b. 2	Haskell, Arnold L.
b. 2	<a href="#">Hays, Aline D. (and Arthur Garfield Hays)</a>
b. 2	Healey, Giles G.
b. 2	Helwick, Mildred
b. 2	Hoffenstein, Samuel
b. 2	Houghton, Claude
b. 2	Howe, Quincy
b. 2	<a href="#">Huston, John</a>
b. 2	Jelliffe, Belinda
b. 2	Johnson, Nunnally
b. 2	Johnston, Benjamin Francis and Agnes
b. 2	Jones, Jennifer

b. 2	Jonson, Raymond and Vera
b. 2	Kaufman, Beatrice (Mrs. George Kaufman)
b. 2	Kelly, Sir Gerald
b. 2	Kettron, Georgia
b. 2	Knopf, Alfred A., Inc.
b. 2	<a href="#">Koo, Mme. Wellington</a>
b. 2	Lachman, Harry
b. 2	Lang, Fritz
b. 2	Langley, Noel
b. 2	Lasky, Bessie
b. 2	Lattimore, Owen
b. 2	<a href="#">Lee, Ya Ching</a>
b. 2	Lerman, Leo
b. 2	Levin, Lawrence L.
b. 2	Lilienthal, David <i>2 Folders</i>
b. 3	Lilienthal, David
b. 3	Limur, Conte Jean de
b. 3	<a href="#">Lin, Tsing Y.</a>
b. 3	<a href="#">Lin, Yu Tang and Hong</a>
b. 3	Lindsley, Lorna
b. 3	<a href="#">Liveright, Otto and Lucile</a>
b. 3	Loos, Mary
b. 3	<a href="#">Lynes, George Platt</a>
b. 3	McEvoy, J. P.
b. 3	<a href="#">McKinley, Hazel</a>
b. 3	Mander, Jane
b. 3	Marley, Lord
b. 3	Marshall, Armina (Mrs. Lawrence Langner)
b. 3	<a href="#">Matisse, Pierre</a>
b. 3	Matthias, Blanche



b. 3	Maxwell, William (The New Yorker)
b. 3	Maze, Lady
b. 3	<a href="#">Mei Lan-fang</a>
b. 3	Mershon, John and Katharine
b. 3	Miller, Madeline and John
b. 3	Milward, Joseph U.
b. 3	Morris, Lloyd
b. 3	Murphy, Gerald
b. 3	Nadja (Beatrice Wanger)
b. 3	Namara, Marguerite
b. 3	Nathan, Robert
b. 3	Naylor, Zena
b. 3	Newberry Library
b. 3	Ogden, C. K.
b. 3	Orage, A. R.
b. 3	Otto, Dr.
b. 3	P. E. N.
b. 3	Paterson, Isabel
b. 3	Pearson, Rachel H.
b. 3	Pickering, Loring
b. 3	Priest, Alan
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b. 3	Rahon, Alice
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b. 3	Reber, Mabel
b. 3	Reiss, Dr. Frederick
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b. 3	Robbins, Frances
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b. 3	Robinson, Edward G. and Gladys

b. 3	Rodker, John
b. 3	Root, Lin and Wells
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b. 4	Ross, Nancy Wilson
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b. 4	<a href="#">Sassoon, Lady and Sir Victor</a>
b. 4	Saunders, Sandy
b. 4	Schiaparelli, Elsa
b. 4	Sebastian, Flora
b. 4	Segovia
b. 4	Seldes, George and Helen
b. 4	Selig, Anna
b. 4	Selwart, Tonio
b. 4	Selznick, Daniel
b. 4	Sessions, Barbara and Roger
b. 4	Sharaff, Irene
b. 4	<a href="#">Sheehan, Vincent</a>
b. 4	<a href="#">Shih, Hu</a>
b. 4	Simms, Joseph S., Jr.
b. 4	<a href="#">Simon, Norton</a>
b. 4	Sivaramakrishnan, M. R.
b. 4	Skeffington-Smyth, Isobel
b. 4	Skot-Hansen, Elin
b. 4	<a href="#">Smith, Chard Powers</a>
b. 4	<a href="#">Smith, Helen (Hahn) (Mrs. Y. K. Smith)</a>
b. 4	Smith, Richard
b. 4	Spewack, Bella (Cohen)
b. 4	Spies, Walter
b. 4	<a href="#">Sternberg, Josef von</a>

b. 4	Stokowski, Evangeline (Mrs. Leopold Stokowski)
b. 4	Stravinsky, Vera
b. 4	Strozzi, Kay
b. 4	<a href="#">Sze, Mai-mai</a>
b. 4	<a href="#">Sze, Szeming</a>
b. 4	Szold, Harold ("Jim")
b. 4	Tamayo, Olga
b. 4	Tanner, Allen
b. 4	Taylor, Dwight
b. 4	Tchelitchew, Pavel
b. 4	Tone, Gertrude F.
b. 4	Ungern-Sternberg, Sophie von
b. 4	Van Vechten, Carl
b. 4	<a href="#">Van Vechten, Fania Marinoff</a>
b. 5	Varèse, Louise
b. 5	Vincent, Betty (Mrs. John Carter Vincent)
b. 5	Wadsworth, Cleome (Mrs. Julius Wadsworth)
b. 5	Waldman, Milton
b. 5	Waterton, Sydney
b. 5	Wescott, Barbara <i>2 Folders</i>
b. 5	Wescott, Glenway <i>3 Folders</i>
b. 5	West, Rebecca
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## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

### Subjects

Authors, American -- 20th Century -- Archives

### Genres / Formats

Photographic prints

### Occupations

Authors

### Names

Acton, Harold, 1904-1994  
Cotten, Joseph, 1905-1994  
Errell, Lotte  
Fitzgerald, F. Scott (Francis Scott), 1896-1940  
Gauthier, Eva, 1885-1958  
Gilder, Rosamond, 1891-1986  
Guggenheim, Peggy, 1898-1979  
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Lilienthal, David Eli, 1899-1981  
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Remarque, Erich Maria, 1898-1970  
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Tchelitchew, Pavel, 1898-1957  
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