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Summary Information

Repository:	M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections & Archives
Title:	WMHT Educational Telecommunications Records
ID:	apap211
Date [inclusive]:	1964-2004
Physical Description:	126 cubic ft.
Physical Location:	The materials are located onsite in the department.
Language of the Material:	English .
Mixed Materials [Collection]:	X
Abstract:	This collection contains records of WMHT Educational Telecommunications.

Preferred Citation

Preferred citation for this material is as follows:

Identification of specific item, series, box, folder, WMHT Educational Telecommunications Records, 1964-2004. M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University at Albany, State University of New York (hereafter referred to as the WMHT Educational Telecommunications Records).

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Historical Note

In 1953, the Mohawk-Hudson Council on Educational Television was chartered by the New York State Board of Regents as the licensee of WMHT Public Television Station and Public Radio. It was the first charter granted in New York State for an educational television council. Initial Programming was broadcast on WRGB, and later on WRTI and WROW-TV. The Council's first headquarters was a single room in Schenectady's Riverside School. In 1955, WMHT hired Donald Schein as associate producer and he led the effort for regular broadcasting that began in 1962, as Schein was elevated to general manager. An all- classical music radio station WMHT-FM began in 1972 and the Radio Information Service (RISE), a radio reading service for the blind and print handicapped in 1978. Prior to Schein's retirement

in 1986, he concluded negotiations for the acquisition of Channel 45 (now WMHQ). Today, WMHT Educational Telecommunications, located in Troy, NY, is the only full-service public broadcaster serving Eastern New York and Western New England.

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Scope and Contents

The collection consists of program schedules, publications, administrative files, production files, subject files, slides, and photographs.

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Arrangement of the Collection

The collection is unprocessed and is likely disorganized. Individual items may be difficult to find.

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

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Processing Information

Processed in 2016 by unprocessed.

Access

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Acquisition Information

All items in this collection were transferred to the University Libraries, M.E. Grenander Department of Special Collections and Archives in 2005 and 2006 by Julie Raskin of WMHT.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Schenectady, New York
- Rensselaer County, New York
- Radio and Television Broadcasting
- Public Broadcasting