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Collection Summary

Repository: Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries

Creator: Bartlett, Amy

Title: Amy Bartlett Papers

Dates: 1979-2000

Quantity: 1 cubic feet (1 box)

Abstract: Poems and manuscripts from the life and career of American poet and poetry editor, Amy Bartlett.

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Biographical Note

Amy Bartlett was a poet and poetry editor. She was born March 18, 1949 to Eliot Fitch and Christine Price Bartlett and grew up in Concord, Massachusetts. In 1972, she graduated from Vassar College and in 1985 she received a Master's Degree in Creative Writing from New York University. She died in 2004 at the age of 54.

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Scope and Content Note

The collection includes typescript poems and manuscripts with handwritten editorial notes. Most materials are not dated.

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Access and Use

Access

This collection is open for research according to the [regulations of the Vassar College Archives and Special Collections Library](#) without any additional restrictions.

Restrictions on Use

Permission to quote (publish) from previously published material must be obtained in writing from Persea Books. Permission to quote (publish) from unpublished material must be obtained in writing from Byron Bartlett.

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Subject Headings

Organizations:

- New York University--Graduate School of Arts and Science--Dissertations, Academic

Subjects:

- American poetry--20th century--Women authors
- Women poets

VCL Categories:

- Literature and Writing

[Top](#)**Encoding Information**

Encoded by Adrienne Turner, October 2008. Updated by Emma Gronbeck, October 2025.

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Amy Bartlett Papers, Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Adrienne Turner, October 2008.

Acquisition Information

Bequest of the Bartlett Estate, 2005. (M2005-015)

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Folder 1 Counting Your Friends, 1981 Jul 1 (10 pages)

Folder 2 Counting Your Friends, undated (1 page)

Folder 3 Snow, undated (1 page)

Folder 4 Snow, undated (1 page)

Folder 5 The Wake, undated (3 pages)

Folder 6 Miscellaneous poem drafts (original folder titled "MS"), undated (41 pages)

Folder 7 Temporary Measures, undated (4 pages)

Folder 8 Home, undated (6 pages)

Folder 9 Parents Sleeping, undated (9 pages)

Folder 10 Tenebrae, undated (6 pages)

Folder 11 Pound Ridge, 1982 Mar 10 (11 pages)

- Folder 12 Uncle Morris, 1982 May 2 (9 pages)
- Folder 13 Everything Personal, undated (19 pages)
- Folder 14 Awaiting Trial, 2 Nov 1981 (11 pages)
- Folder 15 From My Window, undated (2 pages)
- Folder 16 Miscellaneous poem drafts (original folder titled "Amy Bartlett Poems"), undated (12 pages)
- Folder 17 Eating Out, undated (2 pages)
- Folder 18 Miscellaneous poem drafts (original folder titled "Amy Bartlett Poems"), undated (13 pages)
- Folder 19 Miscellaneous poem drafts (original folder titled "Amy Bartlett Poems"), undated (5 pages)
- Folder 20 Empire State Building, undated (2 pages)
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- Folder 25 For My Brother..., undated (1 page)
- Folder 26 Old House, undated (1 page)
- Folder 27 Now, undated (1 page)
- Folder 28 New Ice, undated (82 pages)
- Folder 29 Award letter from the Academy of American Poets at New York University acknowledging Bartlett's 1982 "Prize for Poetry" win, 1983 Jun 1 (1 page)
- Folder 30 Visiting Hour, 1982 Mar 24 (6 pages)
- Folder 31 The Visiting Hour, 1984 Apr 3 (64 pages)
- Folder 32 Hart Crane paper NYU, 1984 Mar 3 (20 pages)
- Folder 33 The Walk, undated (8 pages)
- Folder 34 In Winter, undated (3 pages)
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- Folder 37 On a Sixty-fifth Birthday, undated (7 pages)
- Folder 38 Millennium, 2000 Jan 1 (3 pages)
- Folder 39 On the Escalator, undated (39 pages)
- Folder 40 Short stories – Dean Albarelli, 1992 Aug (58 pages)
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- Folder 42 The East River, undated (5 pages)
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- Folder 44 Going Back, undated (29 pages)
- Folder 45 Mathews tutorial, 1986 Spring (11 letters)
- Folder 46 Mathews tutorial, 1987 Spring (30 pages)
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- Folder 48 Alicia, undated (77 pages)
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- Folder 50 The Lichen, undated (43 pages)
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- Folder 52 On the Corner, undated (14 pages)
- Folder 53 Looking for my Father's Father, undated (34 pages)
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- Folder 56 On the Subway, undated (8 pages)
- Folder 57 The Other Wife, undated (95 pages)
- Folder 58 Afterwards manuscript, 1984 Jun 11
- Folder 59 Graduate thesis: The Window on the Ground, undated
- Folder 60 The 86th Street Transverse, undated (11 pages)
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