

AL2948 - The Lucia Raadschelders Collection

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Title: The Lucia Raadschelders Collection

SubTitle:

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Origination: Lucia Raadschelders

Inclusive Dates: 1971-1994

Bulk Dates:

Extent: 0.1 linear metres (1 archival box); 2 audio tapes; 1 video tape; 4 long player records; 8

photograph albums; 4 t-shirts and photographs

Language: English and Dutch

Acquisition: Accession Number: 02-008, 04-005, 10-007

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Abstract: Lucia Raadschelders is a Dutch national who worked at the Anti-Apartheids Beweging Nederland

(AABN/ Dutch Anti Apartheid Movement) from 1979 to 1985. After resigning from the Dutch AAM she was recruited to work for the African National Congress (ANC) in Swaziland to run a safe house. She lived in Swaziland from 1986 until she had to to return to the Netherlands in mid-1988. She was then recruited to work with the ANC in Zambia as part of Operation Vula from

1988-1992.

Introduction

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After the unbanning of the ANC she returned to the Netherlands and came to live in South Africa towards the end of 1993. She has worked for several NGO's in South Africa and was also employed as an archivist at the Nelson Mandela Centre of Memory. She passed away in 2018.

Her small collection mainly contains materials from the Dutch AAM and Operation Vula.

Notes on the Collection

This collection consists of books, audio/video tapes, photographs, long player records and T-shirts, all related to the solidarity movement for which Lucia Raadschelders worked.

The collection summarises the activities in which Raadschelders was involved during the years that she spent as an anti-apartheid activist, in Holland and in the Southern Africa Sub-region.



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Classification

A1: Books

A2: Audio/Video tapes
A3: Photographs

A4: Long player records

A5: T-shirts

Inventory

A1: Books

A1.1: The size and scope of the non-profit sector in South Africa by Swilling M. and Russsel B. 2002. Johannesburg:P&DM. 3 copies

[2002]

A1.2: Lauriergracht: Anti-Apartheids Beweging Nederland, 1971-1994

[1971-1994]

Book depicting anti-apartheid activities in the Netherlands

A1.3: 3 encrypted books used during Operation Vula

Joseph Heller's "Picture This", F.V. Dawes's "A Family Album" and Tom Sharpe's "Riotous Assembly" are three books used by Lucia Raadschelders for encrypted messages during Operation Vula in the late 1980s. These books were added to the collection by Raadschelders in 2010.

A2: Audio/Video tapes

- A2.1: Two audio tapes containing music by Austrian choirs (Songs against apartheid)
- A2.2: Video tape titled 'Kroniek van de Anti-Apartheids Beweging Nederland 1971-1994' (Het is mooi geweest) [1971-1994]
- A2.3: Audio-tapes containing anti-apartheid songs

A3: Photographs

A3.1: Exhibition catalogue: Photographic work of Eli Weinberg

The photographic work of Eli Weinberg includes a set of loose printed pages with text and photographs about resistance to Apartheid, stored in a folder. Duplicate set available.

A3.2: 9 Photograph albums

These albums were donated to SAHA after Raadschelder's death in 2018.

A4: Long player Records

- A4.1: 2 copies of long player records titled 'Malibongwe'
- A4.2: 2 copies of long player records titled 'Apart? We zijn het zat!'

A5: T-shirts

A5.1: 1 bottle-green short sleeved T-shirt with photograph of protesters at the front, Captioned: 40th Anniversary Womens celebration 1956-1996; at the back solid as rock: side by side - together we shall build the future

[1956-1996]

- A5.2: Black, yellow, green short-sleeved T-shirt captioned: Vote for Freedom and Peace: ANC. At the back, captioned: Now is the time Sekunjalo Kenako
- A5.3: Black, yellow, green short-sleeved T-shirt with graphics . Malibongwe. With logo
- A5.4: White, short-sleeved T-shirt with graphics and text captioned LUTHLANGO home care centre Stop child abuse Orange Farm