

J S Battye Library of West Australian History  
Private Archives – Collection Listing

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**McKEICH, Robert**

Robert McKeich was born in Auckland, New Zealand on 10 July 1923, and migrated to Western Australia in 1954. He pioneered the Cundeelee Mission School in the Western Desert and has returned many times to the area for field visits, and was initiated into the tribe. Obtaining his Doctor of Philosophy in 1972, he moved to the United States in that year, where he taught at several Universities. A prolific writer, he has also appeared on radio and television.

A copy of his book 'Robbie's poetry and short stories' is shelved in Battye at Q821A/W/MCK

Holdings = 2.65m

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		AUTOBIOGRAPHIES	
5384A/71		October 1991 Robert McKeich - 'Robbie's Way'	

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		<b>BIOGRAPHIES</b>	
5384A/72		June 1992 'This man, my father' by Robert McKeich.	
		<b>CARDS</b>	
5384A/37		20 September 1982 Invitation for Dr and Mrs McKeich to attend State Reception	
		<b>CASH BOOKS</b>	
5384A/40		April 1986 – October 1989 Cash book while travelling through the USA.	
		<b>CASSETTES</b>	
5384A/75		n.d. Ten audiotapes on Robert McKeich.	
5384A/76		n.d. Ten audiotapes on Robert McKeich.	
5384A/77		n.d. Ten audiotapes on Robert McKeich.	
		<b>CERTIFICATES</b>	
5384A/44		11 August 1969 Certificate of the Australian Psychological Assn. for Mr McKeich	
		<b>CORRESPONDENCE</b>	
5384A/17		1978 – 1985 Loose correspondence extracted from diaries	
5384A/18		1979 – 1981 Miscellaneous correspondence	
5381A/1		1992 Miscellaneous correspondence	
5381A/2		1993 Miscellaneous correspondence	
5393A/1		1995 Personal correspondence loose file.	
5394A/1		1996 Personal correspondence loose file.	
5395A/1		1997 Personal correspondence loose file	
5396A/1		1998 Personal correspondence loose file	
5465A/1		1999 Personal correspondence loose file	
		<b>DIARIES</b>	
5384A/1		1950 Desk Diary	
5384A/2		1951 Desk Diary	
5384A/3		1954 Desk Diary	
5384A/4		1955 Desk Diary	
5384A/5		1956 Desk Diary	
5384A/6		1958 Desk Diary	
5384A/7		1960 Desk Diary	
5384A/8		1977 Desk Diary	
5384A/9		1978 Desk Diary	
5384A/10		1980 Desk Diary	

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5384A/11		1981 Desk Diary	
5384A/12		1982 Desk Diary	
5384A/13		1983 Desk Diary	
5384A/14		1984 Desk Diary	
5384A/15		1985 Desk Diary	
5384A/16		1985 –1986 Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc.	
5384A/19	PA-15	1987 Volume 1. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/20	PA-15	1987 Volume 2. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/21	PA-15	1988 1989 Desk Diary for Winnebago motor home	
5384A/22	PA-15	1988 Volume 1. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/23	PA-15	1988 Volume 2. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/24	PA-15	1989 Volume 1. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/25	PA-15	1989 Volume 2. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/26	PA-15	1989 Volume 3. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/27	PA-15	1989 Volume 4. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/28	PA-15	1990 Volume 1. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/29	PA-15	1990 Volume 2. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/30	PA-15	1991 Volume 1. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5384A/31	PA-15	1991 Volume 2. Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5381A/3		1992 Loose page typescript of McKeich diary	
5384A/32	PA-15	1992 Large diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5381A/4		1993 Loose page typescript of McKeich diary	
5381A/5		26 June – 22 July 1993 Diary of McKeich's daughter's trip to the Kimberly	
5384A/33		1994 Bundle of loose pages as diary, includes leaflets, tickets, letters etc	
5393A/2		1995 Diary	
5394A/2		1996 Diary	
5395A/2		1997 Diary	

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5396A/2		1998 Diary	
5465A/2		1999 Diary	
		<b>DRAFTS</b>	
5384A/41		November 1987 'Breaking the bonds' by Robert McKeich	
5384A/42		November 1987 'Kava communion' by Robert McKeich	
5384A/43		November 1987 'The Nun may not know' by Robert McKeich	
6005A/1		September 1999 'This September 1999 version of <i>Everywhen at Cundeelee</i> is an early draft and contains material of historical interest not found in later versions' under the signature of Robert McKeich	
		<b>FAMILY HISTORIES</b>	
5384A/45		n.d. History of the McKeich family by Colin McKeich	
		<b>FILES</b>	
5384A/46		1963 Loose file relating to Katukutu Aboriginal hostel	
5384A/47		1973 Loose file relating to Oklahoma Baptist University	
5384A/48		1977 Loose file relating to Robert McKeich's wedding, and also wedding ring of Lillian McKeich.	
5384A/49		n.d. Loose file labeled 'Gladys McKeich – life story'	
5384A/50		n.d. Loose file labeled 'Life biography', containing various correspondence, agreements, writings, reports on Doctorate, etc.	
5384A/51		n.d. Loose file relating to student visits to Cundeelee	
5384A/52		n.d. Loose file labeled 'McKeich-Legal' containing various documents	
5384A/53		n.d. Loose file labeled 'E.G. McKeich - life study'	
		<b>JOURNALS</b>	
6091A/1		1979 "Page-a-day" handwritten journal	

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6005A/2		23 April 1979 – 1 October 1979 'Journey '79 Robert and Gayle's Journals and Photos' <i>Note: Spelling of "Gayle" on cover title, is written as "Gaye" within the journal</i>	
6005A/3		2000 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6005A/4		2001 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6091A/2		2002 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6872A/3		2003 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6872A/4		2004 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6872A/1		2005 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6872A/2		2006 Journal of Robert McKeich	
6872A/5		2007 Journal of Robert McKeich	
7182A/1		2008 Journal of Robert McKeich	
7429A/1		2009 Journal of Robert McKeich	
8379A		2010 Journal of Robert McKeich	
		LETTERS	
5395A/3		1974-1975 'Creating a New Life-Making Choices' letters from Gaye Mills to Robert McKeich	
5395A/6	RESTRICTED	1974- 1983 Personal letters <b>RESTRICTED UNTIL 2018</b>	
6091A/3		30 January 1979 Letter to Lois and Harold	
6091A/4		22 January ?? Letter to Bob from Lois	
		MANUSCRIPTS	
6005A/5		1972 – 2003 'Robbie's Poetry 1972 to 2003' by Robert McKeich	
7182A/2		<i>It happened at Cundeelee</i> , by Robert McKeich, 1996. (325 pages)	
		NEWSPAPER CUTTINGS	
5384A/69		n.d. Newspaper cuttings relating to Dr McKeich	
		NOTES	
5384A/34		2 May 1975 'Initiation notes' by McKeich	
5384A/54		1980 Notes for talk on 'Masculinity' for UWA	
5384A/38		9 August 1983 Notes for talk on Radio 6PR regarding 'Loss and Grief'	
		PAPERS	

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5384A/55		1961 'An examination of the Katukutu Aboriginal Hostel'	
5384A/35		1973 'Rights and liberties of the individual'	
5384A/56		1974 'Life in our community'	
5384A/57		1977 Aboriginal communities and traditional modes of education'	
5384A/58		1977 'The construction of a part Aboriginal world'	
5384A/68		11 April 1992 Our cultures in ill health'	
5384A/59		n.d. 'The Whitefella doesn't know'	
5384A/60		n.d. 'Anthropological study of death and dying'	
5384A/36		n.d. 'Aborigines for aboriginal education'	
		<b>PERMITS</b>	
5384A/39		1 June 1985 Permit for Dr McKeich and others to enter Docker River land.	
		<b>PHOTOGRAPHS</b>	
5384A/70		Collection of family photographs, some sent to Pictorial for assessment. <i>All family photographs returned to donor, 12.12.2002</i>	
		<b>POETRY</b>	
5395A/4		n.d. 'The Amy poems' by Robert McKeich	
		<b>PRINTED MATERIALS</b>	
5384A/74		n.d. 8 publications, containing articles by Robert McKeich.	
		<b>PROGRAMMES</b>	
5393A/3		25 March 1995 65 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Programme of Dr McKeich's old school.	
		<b>RESUMES</b>	
5384A/61		n.d. Resume of Dr Robert McKeich	
5395A/5		1997	

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		Resume of Gayle McKeich	
		<b>SCRIPTS</b>	
5384A/62		1957 Various scripts for Radio 6KG in Kalgoorlie	
		<b>SKETCHES</b>	
5384A/73	PA-15	n.d. Sketch of Robert McKeich as a child.	
		<b>SURVEYS</b>	
5384A/63		November 1977 Survey of existing conditions at Cundeelee Aboriginal Camp	
		<b>THESES</b>	
5384A/64		February 1965 “An examination of acculturation, adjustment and assimilation of Maori and aboriginal adolescents to the wider community of Western European type societies”. Thesis by Robert McKeich as requirement for Teachers Higher Certificate.	
5384A/65		1971 “Problems of part-aboriginal education with special reference to the South West region of Western Australia”. Thesis by Robert McKeich for his Doctorate of Philosophy	
		<b>WRITINGS</b>	
5384A/66		n.d. ‘Looking for Mary’	
5384A/67		6 March 1992 ‘Reminiscences of a Milkman’	

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