

# Wilbert Lorne MacDonald fonds

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# Fonds Description

**Wilbert MacDonald fonds.** – 1945-1978.

32.5 cm of textual records.

353 drawings.

## **Biographical Sketch**

Wilbert MacDonald (1879-1966) obtained his B.A. from the University of Toronto (1908), M.A. from the University of Wisconsin (1910), and Ph.D. from Harvard University (1912). Prior to World War I, he taught at the Universities of Toronto and New Brunswick. In 1919, he became a professor of English at the University of British Columbia. MacDonald played an active role in the Musical Society which made him an honorary president. He was considered a leading expert on the work of Alexander Pope and he also wrote a number of English text books for the B.C. school system.

## **Scope and Content**

The fonds consists of manuscript material, including text and sketches, for an unpublished work by MacDonald entitled "Trees of Canada". In addition, the fonds includes 222 sketches of non-Canadian trees, as well as two sketch books containing pressed leaves.

## **Notes**

File list available.

# File List

## Box 1

- 1-1 Curriculum vitae for W.L. MacDonald (1953)
- 1-2 Correspondence (1945, 1961, 1966, 1972-1978)  
Most of the correspondence relates to communications with publishers to get the manuscript published. The later letters were generated after MacDonald's death by his son Kennedy MacDonald who continued efforts to get the book published.
- 1-3 UBC campus plantings - List prepared by V. Marx (November 1963)
- 1-4 Author's working papers

## Manuscript - Canadian Trees

- 1-5 Author's indexes
- 1-6 Cupressaceae - Pinaceae (1-65)
- 1-7 Taxaceae - Caprifoliaceae (66-119)
- 1-8 Cornaceae - Juglandaceae (120-167)

## Box 2

- 2-1 Lauraceae - Rosaceae (168-235)
- 2-2 Rutaceae - Ulmaceae (236-273)

## Manuscript - "Non-Canadian Trees"

- 2-3 Author's indexes
- 2-4 Aceraceae - Celastraceae (1-31)
- 2-5 Cornaceae - Lauraceae (32-70)

2-6 Leguminosae - Musaceae (71-116)

2-7 Myoporaceae - Passifloraceae (117-158)

Box 3

3-1 Pinaceae - Rosaceae (159-208)

3-2 Rutaceae - Zygophyllaceae (209-249)

3-3 Two sketch books with pressed leaves