

Kansas City Star Collection (AC82)

Introduction:

The Kansas City Star Collection contains newspapers from the Kansas City Times, Kansas City Evening Star, and Kansas City Star newspapers.

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Kansas City Star

Title: Kansas City Star Collection

Date Range: 1955-1991

Bulk Dates: 1970-1991

Size: 3.25 Linear Feet (3 Boxes)

Collection Number: AC82

Donor Information:

Found in Collection.

Citation Note:

Kansas City Star Collection (AC82), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri.

Related Collections:

AC58 Muhammed Speaks Newspaper Collection

AC78 The Call Newspaper Collection

AC89 Kansas City Globe Newspaper Collection

AC91 East Coast Newspapers Collection

AC94 Kansas City Area Newspapers Collection

AC95 Midwest Newspapers Collection

AC98 Black Community News Service Collection

AC101 Daily Graphic Newspapers Collection

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Historical Sketch:

The Kansas City Star is one of the oldest newspapers in Kansas City. It was founded in 1880 as the Kansas City Evening Star. Over the course of several decades, it would have many people who worked there become famous later on in life, such as Ernest Hemingway and President Harry Truman, at one point being renamed to the Kansas City Star. The newspaper was acquired by a company called Capital Cities Communication in the late 1970s along with its sister publisher the Kansas City Times. Over the course of the next two decades, they would have the same print schedule, with one publishing in the morning and the other in the evening. In 1990 the Kansas City Evening Star and Kansas City Times were merged into one newspaper called the Kansas City Star, which it is still called today.

Scope and Content Note:

The series are set in chronological order by decade. Most of the newspapers are in decent condition, although there are some that are in poor condition. There are also additional recent issues available upon request. To see what is available visit [Recent Newspaper Full Inventory](#) on the Black Archives Website.

Series 1: 1940s Newspapers

Series 2: 1950s Newspapers

Series 3: 1960s Newspapers

Series 4: 1970s Newspapers

Series 5: 1980s Newspapers

Series 6: 1990s Newspapers

Collection Inventory**Series 1: 1940s**

- f. 1 1948 Newspapers
- f. 2 1948 Newspapers
- f. 3 1948 Newspapers

Series 2: 1950s Newspapers

- f. 4 May 7, 1955 Newspaper (Note: Newspaper is extremely fragile. Handle with care.)
- f. 5 1955 Newspapers

Series 3: 1960s Newspapers

- f. 6 1960s Newspapers

Series 4: 1970s Newspapers

- f. 7 1970s Newspapers

Series 5: 1980s Newspapers

- f. 8 1980 Newspapers
- f. 9 September 14, 1980 Centennial Edition Newspaper
- f. 10 September 14, 1980 Centennial Edition Newspaper
- f. 11 1981-1989 Newspapers

Series 6: 1990s Newspapers

- f. 12 1990s Newspapers

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Sources:

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