

University Library receives \$196,000 grant from the U.S. Dept. of Education to benefit the Archive for New Poetry

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UCSD LIBRARY RECEIVES U.S. DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION GRANT

The University Library at the University of California, San Diego is the recipient of a \$196,000 grant from the U.S. Department of Education to strengthen, preserve and extend access to its collection of contemporary poetry (the Archive for New Poetry) for the benefit of scholars worldwide.

The project, which starts immediately and will continue through next year, will encompass acquisitions, cataloging, preservation and the dissemination of collection information.

The UCSD Library will strengthen the archive through a collection-building effort that will ensure comprehensive coverage of 50 contemporary American poets. Materials will include published works and manuscript/archival collections, according to Lynda Claassen, head of the department.

The preservation effort will include microfilming, audio recording and photocopying, and will make some endangered materials available for research for the first time.

Cataloging will create or extend more than 7,000 bibliographic records to be filed in an automated national database, and 2,000 new names will be added to a national authority file.

A highlight of the project will be a descriptive brochure and an index to the 40 unique manuscript collections in the Archive for New Poetry.

For more information about the Archive for New Poetry, contact Lynda Claassen at 534-2533.

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