# Loretto Heritage Center Archives and Museum

**Finding Aid: Personal Mission Materials, Sr. Sandra Ardoyno, SL** LHC17.G Date Range: 1960-2010

<u>Creator</u>: Sr. Sandy Ardoyno, SL <u>Extent</u>: 4.8 linear feet <u>Language</u>: English

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<u>Creator of Material Biography</u>: Sr. Sandra (Sandy) Ardoyno, SL (1943-2015) was born in Mobile, AL, and spent most of her life in that area. She was educated in Catholic schools in Mobile before joining the Sisters of Loretto in 1962. Sandy originally took the name of Sr. Mary Susan, in honor of her twin sister named Susan. Sandy studied Art at Loretto's Webster College (Webster Groves, MO) from 1964 to 1966. From 1966 to 2012, she worked at Bishop Toolen (later McGill-Toolen) High School in Mobile. She spent most of her time there as the art teacher, though in the early 1970s she taught religion part-time at the high school while also serving as art coordinator for the Mobile Archdiocese. She also coached the high school's girls' volleyball team for many years. From the early 1970s until the mid-2000s, Sandy was heavily involved with a summer Head Start Program called *La Casa de Amigos*, including serving as its Director for many years. This annual program located in Fairhope, AL, served the children of migrant farmworkers with education and medical services during their seasonal time in the region. Sandy moved to the Loretto Motherhouse in 2012. She established an art room in the Motherhouse Novitiate building, continuing her creative life until her death in 2015.

<u>Description</u>: Materials relating to Sandy Ardoyno's work as a Sister of Loretto, particularly her creative works and her work with *La Casa de Amigos* Head Start Program. Included are correspondence, advertisements, newspaper clippings, and photographs related to *La Casa de Amigos* and a variety of visual pieces created by Sandy as an art teacher and professional artist. Sandy created a calendar with her artwork each year, ranging from the 1970s through 2015. This collection includes a nearly complete set of these calendars and much of the original drawings from which they were created. Also included are photographic slides of Sandy's work, several glass slides created as art pieces, and numerous graphic designs for posters and cards.

<u>Related Materials</u>: Artifacts 2024.000.001-030; LHC6.A.d Bishop Toolen High School; LHC4 - Sandy Ardoyno's personnel file; Published Resources (LHC13) for additional calendars.

# Arrangement

Arranged thematically. All of the art glass slides and silhouettes or cut-outs found in this collection were digitized. The calendars and graphic designs were previously housed in RG 12 (Loretto and the

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Arts), along with serigraph prints and other artwork by Sandy. In February 2024, the serigraph prints and similar studio pieces of art were cataloged into the Loretto Heritage Center artifact collections (2024.000.001-030), and the calendars and graphic designs were moved to RG 17 (Personal Mission Materials). The materials from La Casa de Amigos were originally documented in the Heritage Center as INV-001.

# Sub-series 1: LHC17.G.a La Casa de Amigos

# Box 1: LHC17.G.a.01

Folder 1: Documents and Newspaper Clippings Folder 2: Photographs

# Sub-series 2: LHC17.F.b Loretto Life

#### Box 1: LHC17.G.a.01

Folder 1: Church Banners Folder 2: Slides Folder 3: Graphic Designs (1) Folder 4: Graphic Designs (2) Folder 5: Miscellaneous Artwork Folder 6: Miscellaneous Calendar Pages Folder 7: Undated Calendar Folder 8: 1974 Calendars Folder 9: 1977 Calendar Folder 10: 1978 Calendar Folder 11: 1979 Calendar Folder 12: 1980 Calendar Folder 13: 1981 Calendar Folder 14: 1982 Calendar

# Box 2: LHC17.G.b.02

Folder 1: 1983 Calendar Folder 2: 1984 Calendar Folder 3: 1985 Calendar Folder 4: 1986 Calendar Folder 5: 1987 Calendar Folder 6: 1988 Calendar Folder 7: 1989 Calendar Folder 8: 1990 Calendar Folder 9: 1991 Calendar Folder 10: 1992 Calendar Folder 11: 1993 Calendar Folder 12: 1994 Calendar Folder 13: 1995 Calendar Folder 14: 1996 Calendar

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Folder 16: 1998 Calendar

#### Box 3: LHC17.G.b.03

Folder 1: 1999 Calendar Folder 2: 2000 Calendar Folder 3: 2001 Calendar Folder 4: 2002 Calendar Folder 5: 2003 Calendar Folder 6: 2004 Calendar Folder 7: 2005 Calendar Folder 8: 2006 Calendar Folder 9: 2007 Calendar Folder 10: 2008 Calendar Folder 11: 2009 Calendar Folder 12: 2010 Calendar Folder 13: 2011 Calendar Folder 14: 2013 Calendar Folder 15: 2014 Calendar Folder 16: 2015 Calendar

#### Box 4: LHC17.G.b.04

Folder 1: McGill-Toolen High School Designs Folder 2: St. Mary's Productions Posters Folder 3: St. Jude Parish/City of St. Jude Designs Folder 4: Blessing of the Fleet Designs

#### Box 5: LHC17.G.b.05

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#### Box 6: LHC17.G.b.06

Digital Files (12 images)