

U DP198

Letters of Philip Larkin and Gavin Ewart

1963-1984

Biographical Background:

Gavin Ewart first published poems at the age of 17 in Geoffrey Grigson's *New Verse* of 1933. After graduating at Christ's College, Cambridge, he served in the Royal Artillery from 1940 to 1946, and worked for the British Council from 1946 to 1952, and then as a copywriter in advertising until 1971, when he became a full-time freelance writer. He became a Fellow of the Royal Society of Literature in 1981.

Custodial history:

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Description:

Letters written by Philip Larkin and Gavin Ewart to various recipients.

Extent: 6 items

Related material:

Papers of Gavin Ewart [U DP163]

Access conditions:

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U DP198/1	Typescript letter signed. Philip Larkin (Hull) to Professor Roger Sharrock (University of Durham). Acknowledges receipt of a reference; library closing times; Sharrock's comments on earlier Larkin poems. 1p. 1 item	10 Mar 1964
U DP198/2	Typescript letter signed. Philip Larkin (Hull) to John Wakeman (editor, <i>Midcentury Authors</i> , Flamstead, St Albans). Content of personal statements from authors. 1p. 1 item	5 Nov 1965
U DP198/3	Handwritten letter signed. Gavin Ewart (London) to 'Mr John'. Suggests three possible poems for inclusion in Mr John's journal. 1p. 1 item	16 Jun 1963

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U DP198/4	Typescript letter signed. Gavin Ewart (London) to [John] Wakeman. Reports on his work on Italian poetry. 1p. 1 item	11 Jul 1967
U DP198/5	Handwritten letter signed. Gavin Ewart (London) to Alan [Brownjohn?]. Invites him to contribute to a poetry reading. 1p. 1 item	19 Jan 1978
U DP198/6	Handwritten letter signed (photocopy). Gavin Ewart (London) to Satish Kumar (Bideford). Donates a poem about a prep school (not present). 1p. 1 item	19 Aug 1984