

**Eden Robinson Fonds**

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Special Collections,  
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## 104. Eden Robinson

[1991-2005]

18.5 cm of textural records and other materials

### Biographical Sketch:

Eden Robinson was born in 1968 on the Haisla Nation Kitimat Reserve in B.C. She grew up in the village of Kitimaat in Northern B.C. She received her Bachelor's degree in Creative Writing from the University of Victoria and completed a graduate degree in Creative Writing at the University of British Columbia in 1995.

Her first book, *Traplines*, has won the Winifred Holtby Prize and was a *New York Times* Editor's Choice and Notable Book of the Year.

Her debut novel, *Monkey Beach*, was shortlisted for the Governor General's Award and the Giller Prize. *Monkey Beach* was a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year; *The Globe and Mail's* "Best 100 Books" and the 2000 *Globe and Mail* Editor's Choice.

### Writing Credits:

Dinka, Nicholas. Author Profiles: Eden Robinson (2005): Playing rough Eden Robinson gets gritty again with her new novel. Dec. 2005, *Quill & Quire*.  
[http://www.quillandquiere.com/authors/profile.cfm?article\\_id=7046](http://www.quillandquiere.com/authors/profile.cfm?article_id=7046) (date of access: 24 Aug. 2009)

The New Face of Fiction Web site: Eden Robinson New Face of Fiction 2000  
<http://www.randomhouse.ca/newface/robinson.php#books> (date of access: 24 Aug. 2009)

### Books

*Blood Sports* (McClelland & Stewart, 2006)

*Monkey Beach* (Knopf Canada, 2000)

*Traplines* (Vintage Canada, 1998)

### Prizes

The Winifred Holtby Prize (1998) for *Traplines*

### Nominations

Governor General's Award (Nominee, 2000) for *Monkey Beach*

Giller Award (Nominee 2000) for *Monkey Beach*

*Monkey Beach* is *The Globe and Mail's* "Best 100 Books"

*Monkey Beach* is the Editor's Choice, *The Globe and Mail*, Jan. 29, 2000

*Traplines* is a *New York Times* Notable Book of the Year

*Traplines* is a *New York Times* Editor's Choice

### **Scope and Content:**

The fonds consists of records primarily reflects Robinson's career as a successful writer in Kitamaat, BC, spanning approximately from 1991 to 2005. Textual records in the fonds primarily consist of drafts of both *Traplines* and *Blood Sports* and correspondence with editors and other miscellaneous records. The fonds is arranged into the following four series: Correspondence; miscellaneous records; *Traplines* records; *Blood Sports* records.

### **Notes:**

*Source of supplied title:* Title based on the contents of the fonds

*Physical description:* Includes 18.5 cm of textual records, ca. 2 photographs.

*Immediate source of acquisition:* The materials were acquired by SFU Special Collections and Rare Books from Eden Robinson in 2007. Further accruals are expected.

*Arrangement:* Records are arranged in its original order.

*Restrictions:* There are no restrictions on access.

*Finding Aids:* File lists are available.

## **Series 1: Correspondence**

[ca. 1993-2005]

3.5 cm of textual records.

Series documents Robinson as an accomplished writer, which includes correspondence with publishers, editors, readers and others. Correspondence is interleaved with newspapers for her publicity. Series is arranged into three folders.

Title based on the contents of series.

## **Series 2: Miscellaneous records**

[1991-2001]

8.3 cm of textual records. – ca. 2 photographs

Series consists of miscellaneous records, which includes photocopies of her degree certificates and newspaper clippings for her publicity and pamphlets related to her award and works and other materials. Series is arranged into five folders.

Title based on the contents of series.

## **Series 3: *Traplines* records**

[1997]

0.7 cm of textual records.

Series documents Robinson as an accomplished writer, which includes primarily manuscripts and drafts of *Traplines*. Series is arranged into its original order. Series is arranged into two folders.

Title based on the contents of series.

## **Series 4: *Blood Sports* records**

[2004-2005]

6 cm of textual records.

Series documents Robinson as an accomplished writer, which primarily consists of drafts of *Blood Sports* and correspondence with an editor. Series is arranged into its original order. Series is arranged into eighteen folders.

Title based on the contents of series.

## Eden Robinson Fonds File list

File #	File title	Dates
<b>Series 1: Correspondence</b>		
104.1.1	Correspondence (Bukowski Agency)	1993-1997
104.1.2	Correspondence (Interviews & events)	1996-1997
104.1.3	Correspondence	1998-2005
<b>Series 2: Miscellaneous records</b>		
104.1.4	Miscellaneous records (University) [Notes: The creator has created an original filing system]	1991-1992
104.1.5	Miscellaneous records ( <i>Buzz</i> )	1995-1996
104.1.6	Miscellaneous records ( <i>Traplines</i> Reviews)	1996-1997
104.1.7	Miscellaneous records (The Giller Prize and others)	[2000]
104.1.8	Miscellaneous records (newspaper clippings)	[1998-2001]
<b>Series 3: <i>Traplines</i> records</b>		
104.1.9	<i>Traplines</i> : draft	[1997]
104.1.10	<i>Traplines</i> : draft [Notes: Notes & final edit versions]	[1997]
<b>Series 4: <i>Blood Sports</i> records</b>		
104.1.11	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft (PART I)	2005
104.1.12	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft (PART II)	2005
104.1.13	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft (JAG)	2005
104.1.14	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft (BUNKER)	2005
104.1.15	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft (PENANCE)	2005
104.1.16	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft [Notes: The creator has created an original filing system]	2005
104.1.17	<i>Blood Sports</i> : draft (DITCH)	2005

104.1.18	<i>Blood Sports: draft (SURRENDER)</i>	2005
104.1.19	<i>Blood Sports: draft (ROLL)</i>	2005
104.2.1	<i>Blood Sports: draft</i>	2004
104.2.2	<i>Blood Sports: draft (AURA)</i>	2004
104.2.3	<i>Blood Sports: draft (GRIND)</i>	[2004]
104.2.4	<i>Blood Sports: draft (STATIC)</i>	[2004]
104.2.5	<i>Blood Sports: draft (ROLL)</i>	[2004]
104.2.6	<i>Blood Sports: draft (AMENDS)</i>	[2004]
104.2.7	<i>Blood Sports: draft (DUMB FUN)</i>	[2004]
104.2.8	<i>Blood Sports: draft (GUN SHY)</i>	[2004]
104.2.9	<i>Blood Sports: draft (DETACH)</i>	[2004]