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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Morton Klass papers
Date:	1954-2001
Identifier:	NAA.2002-24
Creator:	Klass, Morton, 1927-2001
Extent:	10.2 Linear feet (25 document boxes)
Language:	English .
Summary:	The Morton Klass papers document his research in Trinidad and in West Bengal, India and his interests in religion, social organization, ethnicity, race and racism, anthropology of the future, and immigration/emigration. Included are correspondence, manuscript drafts, field notes, audio recordings, teaching files, and other material.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Received from Sheila Solomon Klass in 2002 and 2010.

Separated Materials

The Morton Klass films of West Bengal, India (HSFA.2011.03) were transferred to the Human Studies Film Archives in this repository.

Processing Information

The collection came to the archives in three accessions (NAA.2002-24, NAA.2010-19, and NAA.2010-24) with very little organization. During processing materials were combined and organized into series based upon natural groupings (e.g. correspondence, research materials) to facilitate research. Duplicate material was removed from the collection and discarded. Klass's grade books with student information were also removed, and destroyed. For the most part, the archivist retained Klass's folder titles except in cases where clarification was needed.

Preferred Citation

Morton Klass papers, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

The collection is open for research. Access to the collection requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Biographical Note

Morton Klass was an anthropologist whose interests included religion (in particular revitalization, new religious movements, conversion, and altered states), social organization (in particular community structure, and change, caste, and stratification, and marriage rules), ethnicity, race and racism, anthropology of the future, and immigration/emigration. He conducted field research in Trinidad and in West Bengal, India.

Klass was born on June 24, 1927, in Brooklyn, NY to David and Millie Klass. After high school, Klass joined the US Maritime Service and Merchant Marines, serving from 1945 to 1948, first as an oiler in the engine room and then as a purser. In 1948, Klass began freelance writing, primarily science fiction, and was an editor for Popular Publications, Inc. from 1950-1953. During this time, he enrolled in Brooklyn College and majored in anthropology, while continuing to write and sell science fiction short stories. Following graduation in 1955, Klass began graduate studies at Columbia University and in 1957-1958 conducted doctoral fieldwork among a community of East Indian immigrants in Trinidad. He received his PhD in 1959 and his dissertation, titled "Cultural Persistence and Change Among East Indians of Trinidad," was published in 1961 as *East Indians in Trinidad*.

From 1959-1964, Klass was on the faculty of Bennington College as well as a visiting assistant professor at Columbia University, and in 1965 he joined the faculty of Barnard College at Columbia University as associate professor and chair of the anthropology department. From 1962-1965 Klass was co-principal investigator (With Conrad Arensberg) on the India Project, funded by the National Institutes of Mental Health. Under this project Klass conducted research in West Bengal on the effects of industrialization on communities, community structure, settlement patterns, the caste system, and village-level religion. From this research, Klass published two books: *From Field to Factory: Community Structure and Industrialization in West Bengal* and *Caste: The Emergence of the South Asian Social System*.

From 1966-1976 Klass also served as visiting lecturer on South Asia for the Foreign Service Institute, as well as a consultant for various programs and institutions. During this time he wrote (with Hal Hellman) *The Kinds of Mankind: An Introduction to Race and Racism*, a text for high school students. In 1970 a grant from the Southern Asian Institute of Columbia University's School of International and Public Affairs supported Klass traveling to Singapore, Malaysia, and Indonesia to survey the research possibilities and academic/governmental relationships in efforts to facilitate faculty and student research in the region. In addition to Klass's faculty duties, from 1982-1985 he served as director of the Southern Asian Institute, helping to develop the teaching of South Asian studies as well as research in the region. In 1985 Klass returned to Trinidad to study the new religious movement of Sathya Sai Baba; his research there resulted in the book *Singing With Sai Baba: The Politics of Revitalization in Trinidad*. Klass's growing interest in the anthropology of religion led to two books: *Ordered Universes: Approaches to the Anthropology of Religion* in 1995, and in 1999 with Maxine Wisegrau, *Across the Boundaries of Belief: Contemporary Issues in the Anthropology of Religion*.

Klass was a popular teacher, well-regarded by his students. He was prolific, writing numerous articles and book chapters in addition to his books. His final book, *Mind over Mind: The Anthropology and Psychology of Spirit Possession* was published posthumously in 2003. Klass died in 2001.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains the professional papers of anthropologist Morton Klass (1927-2001) and documents his education; his research in Trinidad, India, and elsewhere; his teaching career at Barnard College and Columbia University; and his professional activities. The collection is comprised of field notes and research materials, correspondence, conference papers and manuscripts, book reviews, lecture notes and syllabi, and audio recordings.

Please note that the contents of the collection and the language and terminology used reflect the context and culture of the time of its creation. As an historical document, its contents may be at odds with contemporary views and terminology and considered offensive today. The information within this collection does not reflect the views of the Smithsonian Institution or National Anthropological Archives, but is available in its original form to facilitate research.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged in seven series: 1. Biographical; 2. Correspondence; 3. Research; 4. Professional Activities; 5. Writings; 6. Teaching; and 7. Education.

Selected Bibliography

1961. *East Indians in Trinidad*. New York: Columbia University Press
1971. With Hal Hellman. *The Kinds of Mankind: An Introduction to Race and Racism*. Lippincott Press
1978. *From Field to Factory: Community Structure and Industrialization in West Bengal*. Philadelphia: I.S.H.I. Press
1980. *Caste: The Emergence of the South Asian Social System*. Philadelphia: I.S.H.I. Press
1991. *Singing With Sai Baba: The Politics of Revitalization in Trinidad*. Westview Press
1995. *Ordered Universes: Approaches to the Anthropology of Religion*. Westview Press
1999. With Maxine Weisgrau. *Across the Boundaries of Belief: Contemporary Issues in the Anthropology of Religion*. Westview Press
2003. *Mind over Mind: The Anthropology and Psychology of Spirit Possession*. Rowman & Littlefield.
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Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Anthropology of religion
Caste -- India
Religion

Names:

Sai Baba Sathya, 1926-2011

Places:

India
South Asia
Trinidad and Tobago

Container Listing

Series 1: Biographical

Scope and Contents: Series 1. Biographical is the smallest series, consisting of only two folders. Materials include Klass's vitae, bibliographies, and biographical sketches by Klass. Also included are passports and ephemera from a science fiction convention in 1956.

Box 1, Folder 1 Vitae, notes, passports, undated

Box 1, Folder 2 Science fiction conference ephemera, 1956

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Series 2: Correspondence

Scope and Contents: Series 2. Correspondence contains both incoming and carbon copies of outgoing letters. Additional and sometimes related correspondence can be found throughout the collection, particularly in Series 4. Professional Activities, and Series 5. Writings.

Box 1, Folder 3	Horowitz, Michael, 1957-1979
Box 1, Folder 4	Lewis, Herbert, 1957-2001
Box 1, Folder 5	Trinidad, 1957-1958
Box 1, Folder 6	Friends and Colleagues, 1956-1959
Box 1, Folder 7	Friends and Colleagues, 1960
Box 1, Folder 8	Friends and Colleagues, 1961
Box 1, Folder 9	Friends and Colleagues, 1962-1969
Box 1, Folder 10	Friends and Colleagues, 1970-1979
Box 1, Folder 11	Friends and Colleagues, 1980-2001
Box 2, Folder 1	Professional correspondence, 1962-1969
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Box 2, Folder 3	Professional correspondence, 1983-1997
Box 2, Folder 4	Students, 1985-1988
Box 2, Folder 5	Bennington College, 1959-1962
Box 2, Folder 6	Hunter College, 1962-1963
Box 2, Folder 7	Possible appointments, 1964-1965
Box 2, Folder 8	Columbia University, 1962-1965
Box 2, Folder 9	Columbia/Barnard official correspondence, 1965-1969
Box 2, Folder 10	Columbia/Barnard official correspondence, 1970-1979
Box 2, Folder 11	Columbia/Barnard official correspondence, 1981-1996
Box 2, Folder 12	Duke University Summer Institute, 1966

Box 2, Folder 13	Danforth Foundation, E. Harris Harbison award, 1969
Box 2, Folder 14	Academic publishing, 1959-1963
Box 2, Folder 15	India, 1963-1964
Box 2, Folder 16	India, 1973-1979
Box 3, Folder 1	Soviet anthropology, 1964-1965
Box 3, Folder 2	Associations and memberships, 1964-1971
Box 3, Folder 3	Review and consultation, 1965-1977
Box 3, Folder 4	Hornbacher, Nina Moliver, 1974-1981
Box 3, Folder 5	Re: From Field to Factory (Gondogram), 1976-1977
Box 3, Folder 6	Publishers, 1976-1990
Box 3, Folder 7	Re: grants, 1977-1978
Box 3, Folder 8	Re: The Emergence of Caste, 1977-1991
Box 3, Folder 9	Re: The Kinds of Mankind, 1981-1982
Box 3, Folder 10	Cultural futures research, 1985-1988
Box 3, Folder 11	Re: Singing with Sai Baba, 1986-1991
Box 3, Folder 12	Westview Press, 1987-1999
Box 3, Folder 13	Manohar/South Asian Books, 1992-1993
Box 3, Folder 14	Retirement, 1996
Box 3, Folder 15	Kent, Alexandra (Alix), 1996-1998
Box 3, Folder 16	"Current correspondence to be answered", 1997-2000
Box 3, Folder 17	Yanomami controversy, 2000

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Series 3: Research

- Scope and Contents:** Series 3: Research documents Klass's major research projects including his doctoral work in Trinidad, his work on the impacts of industrialization in West Bengal, and his study of the religious movement of Sathya Sai Baba in Trinidad. Additional materials include notes and correspondence on different projects, reference material on various topics including race and racism, creationism, the Ashkenazi Jewish community, and anthropological fieldwork methodology.
- Arrangement:** Series 3: Research is divided into four subseries: 1. Trinidad; 2. India; 3. Sathya Sai Baba in Trinidad; and 4. Other research.

Subseries 1: Trinidad, 1956-1958

- Scope and Contents:** Subseries 1. Trinidad comprises materials relating to Klass's doctoral research and dissertation. Included are field notes, questionnaires, dissertation proposal, progress reports, audio recordings, and ephemera.

Box 4, Folder 1	Dissertation proposal and notes, 1957
Box 4, Folder 2	Research progress reports, 1957-1958
Box 4, Folder 3	Questionnaires and notes, undated
Box 4, Folder 4	Bibliography and notes, 1956
Box 4, Folder 5-7	Journal and fieldnotes (3 folders), 1957-1958
Box 4, Folder 8	figures re: social stratification in Trinidad, undated
Box 9	Audio recordings, 1957-1958 4 Sound recordings (1/4 in. audio tape reels)
Box 4, Folder 9	"Trinidadiana" - notes, ephemera, maps, 1957-1958

Subseries 2: India, 1963-1965

- Scope and Contents:** Subseries 2. India consists of materials relating to Klass and Arensberg's "India Project" and includes field notebooks, field journal, correspondence, audio recordings, and other research material. Most of the field notebooks are filled out in the hand of Sibamay Adhikari, who was Klass's field assistant and interpreter.

Box 5, Folder 1	India project correspondence, 1963-1965
Box 5, Folder 2	Notes, correspondence, ephemera, 1963-1964
Box 5, Folder 3	Expenditures and progress report, 1963-1965
Box 5, Folder 4	Field journal, 1963-1964

Box 5, Folder 5	Field notes and other material, 1963-1964
Box 5, Folder 6	Kinship charts, undated
Box 5	Field notebook I - "day book", 1963
Box 5	Field notebook II - "Santal", 1963-1964
Box 5	Field notebook III - "community organizations", 1963-1964
Box 5	Field notebook IV - "eco and tech 1", 1963-1964
Box 5	Field notebook V - "eco and tech 2", 1964
Box 5	Field notebook VI - "life crises 1", 1963-1964
Box 6	Field notebook VII - "life crises 2", 1964
Box 6	Field notebook VIII - "caste", 1963-1964
Box 6	Field notebook IX - "religion 1", 1963-1964
Box 6	Field notebook X - "religion 2", 1964
Box 6	Field notebook XI - "household and kinship 1), 1963-1964
Box 6	Field notebook XII - "household and kinship 2", 1964
Box 6	Field notebook XIV - "misc. notes and quotes 1", undated
Box 6	Field notebook XVa - "misc. notes and quotes 2", undated
Box 6	Field notebook XVb - "misc. notes and quotes 3", undated
Box 6	Field notebook XVI - "Asansol area village surveys", 1963-1964
Box 6	Field notebook XVII - "S. Kanyapur household data", undated
Box 6	Field notebook (unnumbered), undated
Box 9	Audio recordings, 1963-1964 9 Sound recordings (1/4 in. audio tape reels)

Subseries 3: Sathya Sai Baba in Trinidad, 1983-1985

Scope and Contents: Subseries 3. Sathya Sai Baba in Trinidad contains Klass's research proposal, notes, correspondence, and ephemera.

Box 7, Folder 1	Research proposal, 1983
Box 7, Folder 2	Notes, correspondence, progress report, 1985
Box 7, Folder 3	Research materials, notes, and ephemera, 1984-1985
Box 7, Folder 4	Research materials, notes, and ephemera, 1985

Subseries 4: Other research

Scope and Contents: Subseries 4. Other research comprises small amounts of material on different topics and projects and includes correspondence, notes, research proposals, and reference material.

Box 7, Folder 5	Miscellaneous notes, 1958-1992
Box 7, Folder 6	Race and related issues - printed material, 1961-1971
Box 8, Folder 1	"Project Mencher" grant proposal, 1965-1966
Box 8, Folder 2	Dating/mating - notes, 1966
Box 8, Folder 3	Southeast Asia trip - journal, 1970
Box 8, Folder 4	Southeast Asia trip - notes and correspondence, 1970
Box 8, Folder 5	ACLS grant, 1970-1971
Box 8, Folder 6	Taraknath Das Foundation, 1973-2000
Box 8, Folder 7	Projected research and books, 1974-1975
Box 8, Folder 8	"Ashkenaz" reference materials and notes, 1977-1978
Box 8, Folder 9	Proposals - Jewish studies, 1977-1979
Box 8, Folder 10	Ethnic homogenization on Long Island - notes and ephemera, 1979
Box 8, Folder 11	Emigration/Immigration oral anthropology project, 1981
Box 8, Folder 12	Oral anthropology - Jewish immigration, undated
Box 8, Folder 13	Journal - India, 1983
Box 8, Folder 14	Creationism/race debates - printed material, 1986-1995
Box 8, Folder 15	Proposal for RISM Landes award, 1992

Box 8, Folder 16 Guides to fieldwork - notes, undated

Box 8, Folder 17 Ethnographic analysis of Gondogram (according to HRAF), undated

Box 8, Folder 18 Dravidian language notes, undated

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Series 4: Professional Activities

Scope and Contents: Series 4. Professional Activities consist of materials relating to Klass's speaking engagements at conferences, symposia, and elsewhere as well as committee and board work for the Society for the Anthropology of Religion(SOFAR), the New York Academy of Sciences (NYAS), and other organizations. Included is correspondence, notes, and drafts of papers. There is some crossover with Series 5. Writings.

Box 10, Folder 1	"Lectures - mine", 1957-1963
Box 10, Folder 2	The East Indian Family in Two Carribean Plantation Societies - AAA paper, 1958
Box 10, Folder 3	Conference - Social and Cultural Pluralism in the Caribbean, 1959
Box 10, Folder 4	Overseas Indians panel, 1962-1963
Box 10, Folder 5	Lectures for Columbia University Survey of the Arts, 1964
Box 10, Folder 6	Community Structure in West Bengal - AAA paper, 1965
Box 10, Folder 7	Special lectures - caste, South Asia, industrialization, 1965-1980
Box 10, Folder 8	Village and Factory in West Bengal - AAA paper, 1966
Box 10, Folder 9	Village India lecture for Barnard College alumni, 1966
Box 11, Folder 1	Special lectures - culture, functionalism, religion, 1966-1977
Box 11, Folder 2	Foreign Service Institute - lectures, 1968-1975
Box 11, Folder 3	Evil Eye symposium - AAA, 1972
Box 11, Folder 4	"Children's questions about race" - correspondence and storyboards, 1974
Box 11, Folder 5	Symposium - New Directions for South Asian Anthropology, 1977
Box 11, Folder 6	Committee on Indian Ocean studies, 1977-1978
Box 11, Folder 7	We Are the Dog Bauris: Approaches to the Analysis of Myth - AAA paper, 1979-1980
Box 11, Folder 8	Symposium on ethnicity and relations with the "mother" country, 1979-1980
Box 11, Folder 9	Seminar for UVA Center for South Asian Studies, 1979-1980
Box 11, Folder 10	NEAA - South Asian anthropologists symposium, 1980-1981

Box 11, Folder 11	Special lecture - Durkheim and functionalism, 1981-1984
Box 11, Folder 12	Looking Forward: Anthropology in the "Greenhouse" - NEAA paper, 1984
Box 11, Folder 13	On the Nature of Caste - talk at Yale, 1984
Box 11, Folder 14	Seminar on ecological systems and cultural evolution, 1985-1986
Box 11, Folder 15	"Look Ma, No Hands!": Anthropological Scenarios for Robotic Futures, 1985-1986
Box 11, Folder 16	"Bateson Project" - SFA conference, 1986
Box 12, Folder 1	Margaret Mead legacy and controversy - talk for Barnard Alumnae College, 1987
Box 12, Folder 2	Recruiting New "Huddled Masses" and "Wretched Refuse" - CONTACT conference, 1989
Box 12, Folder 3	The Closing of the "Bazaar of Cultures" - AAA paper, 1989-1990
Box 12, Folder 4	Divine Healing: the Two Incarnations of Sai Baba - AAA paper, 1990
Box 12, Folder 5	Conflict and Accommodation in India: Caste, Ethnicity, and Religion - talk for continuing education, 1992-1993
Box 12, Folder 6	CGAAA special issue of Anthrowatch in honor of Conrad Arensberg, 1994
Box 12, Folder 7	AMNH lecture series: Religion on the Edge of the Millennium, 1996-1997
Box 12, Folder 8	Anthropology: That Most Ingenious Paradox - distinguished lecture, 1997
Box 12, Folder 9	AAA symposium in honor of Conrad Arensberg, 1997
Box 12, Folder 10	Southern Asian Institute seminar on tradition and change, 1997
Box 12, Folder 11	Race, Culture, or Ethnic Group - paper for ICAES meeting, 1998
Box 12, Folder 12	GOPIO conference - correspondence, draft of paper, notes, 1999
Box 12, Folder 13	Anthropology of Conversion conference - discussion paper, 2000
Box 12, Folder 14	AAA session on "Supernatural", 2001
Box 12, Folder 15	AMNH Nature Vs. Nurture Revisited panel, 2001
Box 12, Folder 16	Sai Baba papers for South Asian Studies symposium (and other papers), undated
Box 12, Folder 17	Barnard anthropology department history project, undated

Box 12, Folder 18	Sai Baba in Trinidad - talk at Montclair College, undated
Box 13, Folder 1	SOFAR - board and business meetings, 1995-1997
Box 13, Folder 2	SOFAR - conference in Iona, 1996
Box 13, Folder 3	SOFAR - elections, etc., 1996-1997
Box 13, Folder 4	SOFAR - section materials, 1997
Box 13, Folder 5	SOFAR - conference in Kansas City, 1997
Box 13, Folder 6	SOFAR - correspondence and notes, 1997
Box 13, Folder 7	NYAS conference proposal - Nature vs. Nurture - from Mead to Human Genome, 2000
Box 13, Folder 8	NYAS panel proposal, 2000-2001
Box 13, Folder 9	NYAS anthropology section advisory committee, 2000-2001
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Series 5: Writings

Scope and Contents: Series 5. Writings consists of Klass's files relating to his written scholarship. Included are book, chapter, and article manuscript drafts, correspondence, and notes, as well as reviews of Klass's work and reviews by Klass of others' publications.

Box 14, Folder 1	The Martiniquan East Indian Cult of Maldevidan, 1961
Box 14, Folder 2	Book reviews (by Klass), 1962-1993
Box 14, Folder 3	Book reviews (of Klass's publications), 1963-1995
Box 14, Folder 4	Letter to editor of NYT re: Krock, 1964-1965
Box 14, Folder 5	Readings in Soviet ethnology, 1964-1965
Box 14, Folder 6	Review of The Cultural Ecology of India's Sacred Cattle by Marvin Harris, 1965-1966
Box 14, Folder 7	Marriage Rules in Bengal, 1965-1966
Box 14, Folder 8	"Areal" readers proposal, 1966
Box 14, Folder 9	On caste - papers and correspondence, 1967
Box 14, Folder 10	Approximating the "Peasant" in India, and other papers, 1967-1971
Box 14, Folder 11	Ethnic Interaction in Malaysia, 1969-1970
Box 14, Folder 12	The Kinds of Mankind - press, reviews, correspondence, 1970-1972
Box 14, Folder 13	Gondogram - correspondence, 1970-1975
Box 14, Folder 14	Gondogram - notes for revision, undated
Box 15, Folder 1	Community Structure in West Bengal, 1972
Box 15, Folder 2	Intro to Anthro text - notes and correspondence, 1972-1988
Box 15, Folder 3	Science Fiction as Fictive Anthropology, 1974
Box 15, Folder 4	Ecology and Family in Two Caribbean East Indian Communities, 1977
Box 15, Folder 5	The Emergence of Caste - notes, 1978
Box 15, Folder 6	Caste, Village, Factory, and Worker In West Bengal, India, 1978-1979

Box 15, Folder 7	"Futures" papers, 1978-1983
Box 15, Folder 8	Reviews of Caste: The Emergence of the South Asian Social System, 1979-1982
Box 15, Folder 9	The Emergence of Caste in India - outline and notes, undated
Box 15, Folder 10	Macroevolution and the Sacred Cow - critique of Paul Diener article, 1980
Box 15, Folder 11	Review of From Field to Factory, 1980
Box 15, Folder 12	By the Pricking of My Thumbs - for session on Anticipatory anthropology, 1981
Box 15, Folder 13	Time After Time - notes for paper, 1981-1982
Box 15, Folder 14	"The Little Man Who Wasn't There": Transformations of the Robot in Science Fiction, 1982-1983
Box 15, Folder 15	The Artificial Alien: Transformations of the Robot in Science Fiction, 1982-1983
Box 16, Folder 1	Birthing in the Bush - notes, correspondence, early drafts, 1982-1985
Box 16, Folder 2	Birthing in the Bush - final draft, 1985
Box 16, Folder 3	Caste and Change, 1983-1984
Box 16, Folder 4	Varna and Jati article for Encyclopedia of Religion, 1982-1987
Box 16, Folder 5	"Choice" in Anthropology and Economics, 1983
Box 16, Folder 6	Material for paper: the Devadasi and the Berdache, 1983
Box 16, Folder 7	The Changing Ethnicities of Overseas Indians, and other papers, 1983-1998
Box 16, Folder 8	Epilogue: New Ethnicity, New Horizons, 1984
Box 16, Folder 9	Caste and Ethnicity in India, 1984-1985
Box 16, Folder 10	Pride and Prejudice...And Peasants, 1984-1988
Box 16, Folder 11	NYT review by Klass of "The Miracle of Intervale Avenue", 1986
Box 16, Folder 12	Seeking Syncretism - notes, drafts, correspondence, 1987-1995
Box 16, Folder 13	Book on liminality - notes and drafts, 1987
Box 17, Folder 1	Book on liminality - notes and drafts, undated

Box 17, Folder 2	Book on liminality - drafts, undated
Box 17, Folder 3	Toward an Operational Definition of Religion, 1988
Box 17, Folder 4	Three Ways for the New Age, 1988
Box 17, Folder 5	"Miscellaneous possible papers", 1988-1990
Box 17, Folder 6	Singing With Sai Baba - notes and correspondence, 1988
Box 17, Folder 7	Singing With Sai Baba - notes and correspondence, 1989-1990
Box 17, Folder 8	Singing With Sai Baba - reviews, 1991-2000
Box 17, Folder 9	The South Asian Mode of Production, 1988-1991
Box 17, Folder 10	Book series proposal - Belief Systems and Healing Practices: Anthropology, Religion, and Medicine, 1990
Box 17, Folder 11	The Closing of the "Bazaar of Cultures": Anthropology as Scapegoat, 1990
Box 17, Folder 12	Anthropology of Consciousness - notes, drafts, araticles, 1990-1991
Box 18, Folder 1	The Ordered Universe - prospectus and table of contents, 1990
Box 18, Folder 2	The Ordered Universe - copy editing, 1994-1997
Box 18, Folder 3	The ordered Universe - notes, undated
Box 18, Folder 4	The Ordered Universe - reviews and comments, 1993-1994
Box 18, Folder 5	The Ordered Universe - old drafts and miscellaneous, undated
Box 18, Folder 6	The Ordered Universe - descriptions and publicity, 1994
Box 18, Folder 7	Newsday article, 1991
Box 18, Folder 8	Pride and Prejudice...and Parenté, 1992-1998
Box 18, Folder 9	The Enchanted Road to the "Real India", 1992
Box 18, Folder 10	East Indians in Trinidad - article for Encyclopedia of World Cultures, 1994
Box 18, Folder 11	Across the Boundaries of Belief: Contemporary Issues in the Anthropology of Religion, 1994
Box 18, Folder 12	Is there "Caste" outside of India?, 1994

Box 18, Folder 13	Raising Consciousness: Altered and Unaltered States, 1994-1995
Box 18, Folder 14	Crossing the Great Divide - for anthropology and theology book, 1994-1996
Box 18, Folder 15	Transition research - notes, 1995
Box 18, Folder 16	Anthropology of memory and memories, 1995
Box 18, Folder 17	Notions of God - notes, 1995
Box 19, Folder 1	The Joys of Anthropology book - notes, drafts, correspondence, 1995-1996
Box 19, Folder 2	Mind over Mind - notes, drafts, correspondence, undated
Box 19, Folder 3	Mind over Mind - bibliographic materials, 1991-1999
Box 19, Folder 4	Seeking Syncretism: The Case of Sathya Sai Baba, 1996-1999
Box 19, Folder 5	The Joys of Anthropology book - notes, drafts, correspondence, 1998-1999
Box 19, Folder 6	Paper on "possession" - notes and drafts, 1999
Box 19, Folder 7	Book proposal - The Proper Study: Using and Abusing Anthropology, 1999
Box 19, Folder 8	Rerecruiting New "Huddled Masses" and "Wreched Refuse": A Prolegomenon to the Human Colonization of Space, 1999-2000
Box 20, Folder 1	Anthropology of Conversion - panel abstracts and papers, 2000
Box 20, Folder 2	Anthropology of Conversion - book proposal and correspondence, 2001
Box 20, Folder 3	Anthropology of Conversion - notes, correspondence, 2000-2001
Box 20, Folder 4	Jewish Communities: Enclaves or Subcultures?, 2000
Box 20, Folder 5	Metaphor book - notes, undated
Box 20, Folder 6	Notes for paper - Structure, Process, Function, Evolution, undated
Box 20, Folder 7	The Origin of Noodles - outline and notes, undated
Box 20, Folder 8	Genetics and the Hanky-Panky Principle, undated
Box 20, Folder 9	Caste and the Jewish Problem, undated
Box 20, Folder 10	Race, Culture, or Ethnic Group? Changing Overseas South Asian Ascription, undated

Box 20, Folder 11	The Use and Abuse of "Race" and "Ethnic" Labels: Overseas Indians, undated
Box 20, Folder 12	Notes for paper on origins of incest, undated
Box 20, Folder 13	Calendar and Community Structure in Rural India, undated
Box 20, Folder 14	Papers by friends (Lewis, Greenfield, etc.), 1981-1997

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Series 6: Teaching

Scope and Contents: Series 6. Teaching consists primarily of Klass's lecture notes and syllabi for undergraduate and graduate courses taught at Barnard.

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Box 21, Folder 2	Colloquium on anthropological theory (42y), 1962-1988
Box 21, Folder 3	Migration and Cultural Diffusion (G4109y), 1967-1968
Box 21, Folder 4	Lectures on ideology and religion, 1967-1977
Box 21, Folder 5	Introduction to Human Origins/Study of Man (1001x and y), 1966-1985
Box 21, Folder 6-7	Introduction to Human Origins (1001y) (2 folders), 1978-1986
Box 21, Folder 8	Intro to Anthro/Interpretation of Culture (V1002), 1967-1988
Box 22, Folder 1	Intro to Anthro/Interpretation of Culture (V1002), 1988-1998
Box 22, Folder 2	Intro to Anthro/Interpretation of Culture (V1002) - exams, 1962-1989
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Box 22, Folder 4	Economic Anthropology (W4347), 1975-1983
Box 22, Folder 5	Life in Rural South Asia (W4187), 1981-1995
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