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Guide to the Shepard Forman papers

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Shepard Forman papers
Date:	1963-1995
Identifier:	NAA.2017-15
Creator:	Forman, Shepard, 1938- (Creator)
Extent:	2.5 Linear feet (3 boxes)
Language:	Multiple languages .

Administrative Information

Processing Information

The collection arrived at the archives loosely grouped by format and subject. For the most part, the archivist maintained the groupings as well as Forman's folder titles.

Preferred Citation

Shepard Forman papers, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

Restrictions

The Shepard Forman papers are open for research.

Access to the papers requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Biographical / Historical

Shepard Forman (1938-) is a cultural anthropologist whose varied career has involved research in Brazil and East Timor, work for the Ford Foundation's Human Rights and Governance and International Affairs programs, and founding and directing the Center on International Cooperation. He received his PhD from Columbia University in 1966, after completing doctoral research on "Jangadeiros," the raft fishermen of Pontal de Coruripe in Alagoas, northeastern Brazil. In 1967, Forman returned to Brazil to study rural peasant markets with Joyce Riegelhaupt.

Forman served on the faculty of Indiana University, the University of Chicago, and the University of Michigan before joining the Ford Foundation as a Grants Program Officer in Rio De Janeiro, Brazil in 1977. He subsequently became Director of the Human Rights and Governance programs and then International Affairs programs, and in 1996 he founded the Center on International Cooperation at New York University.

Content Description

The collection contains materials primarily documenting Forman's research on fishermen in Alagoas, Brazil in 1965. Included are fieldnotes and various datasets such as household surveys and censuses, maps, interviews with fishermen and villagers, and folk music, as well as a draft of Forman's dissertation based on this research. Additionally the collection contains a small amount of papers related to research in Arebbepe, Bahia, Brazil in 1963, as well as fieldnotes, manuscripts, and other material relating to his 1967 research on peasant markets with Joyce Riegelhaupt. Also included are several files pertaining to writings and publications.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into the following series:

- 1. Arebbepe field notes, 1963
- 2. Raft fishermen research, 1965-1966
- 3. Research on rural peasant markets, 1967-1978, undated
- 4. Writings and notes, 1967-1995, undated

Selected Bibliography

1967. "Cognition and the Catch: The Location of Fishing Spots in a Brazilian Coastal Village," in *Ethnology* 6 no. 4, pp 417-426.

1970. *The Raft Fishermen: Tradition and Change in the Brazilian Peasant Economy*. Bloomington: Indiana University Press.

1979. *The Brazilian Peasantry*. New York: Columbia University Press.

1994. *Diagnosing America: Anthropology and Public Engagement* (Ed.). Ann Arbor: University of Michigan Press.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

manuscripts

Types of Materials:

Maps (documents)
Sound recordings

Places:

Alagoas (Brazil)

Container Listing

Series 1: Arembepe field notes

0.1 Linear feet

Scope and Contents: This series contains field notes and other material relating to Forman's brief research in Arembepe, Bahia, Brazil.

Box 1, Folder 1 Arembepe field notes, 1963

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Series 2: Raft fishermen research

2 Linear feet

Scope and Contents: This series contains materials from Forman's research on raft fishermen in Pontal de Coruripe, Alagoas, Brazil and includes field notes, household surveys, censuses, sound recordings, aerial photographs, maps, and coastal survey notes. In addition, the series includes a draft of Forman's dissertation, along with reviews by members of Forman's dissertation committee.

Field notes, 1965

Box 1, Folder 2	Field notes, Pontal de Coruripe, pages 1-60, 1965
Box 1, Folder 3	Field notes, Pontal de Coruripe, pages 61-120, 1965
Box 1, Folder 4	Field notes, Pontal de Coruripe, pages 121-163, 1965
Box 1, Folder 5	Field notes, Pontal de Coruripe, pages 165-217, 1965
Box 1, Folder 6	Field notes, Pontal de Coruripe, pages 218-255, 1965
Box 1, Folder 7	Field notes, Pontal de Coruripe, pages 256-293, 1965

Data by analytic category, 1965

Notes: This set of materials comprise copies of Forman's fieldnotes organized by topic.

Box 1, Folder 8	Accidents, 1965
Box 1, Folder 9	Agriculture, 1965
Box 1, Folder 10	Apprenticeship, 1965
Box 1, Folder 11	Arrasto da Praia, 1965
Box 1, Folder 12	Bote de Pesca, 1965
Box 1, Folder 13	Cacêa, 1965
Box 1, Folder 14	Cestas, 1965
Box 1, Folder 15	Colonia, 1965
Box 1, Folder 16	Coqueiros, 1965
Box 1, Folder 17	Division, 1965
Box 1, Folder 18	Ecology, 1965

Box 1, Folder 19	Genesio, 1965
Box 1, Folder 20	History, 1965
Box 1, Folder 21	Isca, 1965
Box 1, Folder 22	Jangadas, 1965
Box 1, Folder 23	Lambuda, 1965
Box 1, Folder 24	Marcação, 1965
Box 1, Folder 25	Market, 1965
Box 1, Folder 26	Miscellaneous, 1965
Box 1, Folder 27	Other fishing techniques, 1965
Box 1, Folder 28	Owner-crew relations, 1965
Box 1, Folder 29	Pombeiros, 1965
Box 1, Folder 30	Relations with Coruripe, 1965
Box 1, Folder 31	Religion, 1965
Box 1, Folder 32	Savings, 1965
Box 1, Folder 33	Secondary occupation, 1965
Box 1, Folder 34	Spiritism, 1965
Box 1, Folder 35	Turtles, 1965
Household surveys, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965	
Box 1, Folder 36-43	Household surveys, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965 8 Folders
Census and other data, 1965	
Box 2, Folder 1	Dietary, kinship, and other data, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965
Box 2, Folder 2	Demographic distributions, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965
Box 2, Folder 3	Census of Jangada owners, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965
Box 2, Folder 4	Census of fishermen, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965

Box 2, Folder 5-6	Census data, 1965 2 Folders
Box 2, Folder 7	Fishing statistics, Pontal de Coruripe, 1965
Box 2, Folder 8	Associação/Colônia Z-10, undated
Box 2, Folder 9	Bibliographic notes for study of raft fishermen in Brazil, undated
Box 2, Folder 10	Aerial photographs of Pontal de Coruripe, 1965
Box 2, Folder 11	Literacy training notebooks, undated
Box 2, Folder 2	Notebook--coastal survey, 1965
Box 2, Folder 13	Notebooks--addresses, log of Jangados, 1965, undated
Box 2, Folder 14	Notebooks--various, 1965, undated
Box 2, Folder 15	Printed material relating to fishing in Brazil, 1962, 1966
	Maps, 1965-1967, undated
Box 2, Folder 16	Maps of Alagoas, coastal survey, 1965
Box 2, Folder 17	Maps of Brazilian coast with data on fishing, undated
Box 2, Folder 18	Maps of Pontal de Coruripe, undated
Box 2, Folder 19	Map of northeast Brazil annotated with fishing areas, undated
Box 2, Folder 20	Maps and drawings for "Cognition and the Catch: The Location of Fishing Spots in a Brazilian Coastal Village" (Forman, 1967), 1967
	Sound recordings, 1965 Notes: Includes interviews with fishermen and villagers, and folk music.
Box 3, Folder 5	Tapes 1 and 2, 1965
Box 3, Folder 6	Tapes 3 and 4, 1965
Box 3, Box 7	Tapes 5 and 6, 1965
	Dissertation, 1966
Box 2, Folder 21	Dissertation--original introduction, 1966
Box 2, Folder 22-26	Dissertation Jangaderos: The Raft Fishermen of Northeast Brazil, 1966

5 Folders

Box 2, Folder 27

Comments from dissertation committee on dissertation, 1966

Box 2, Folder 28

Correspondence, press, and reviews relating to publication of dissertation, 1967-1976

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Series 3: Research on rural peasant markets, undated

0.3 Linear feet

Scope and Contents: This series contains materials documenting Forman and Joyce Riegelhaupt's research on rural peasant markets in Brazil and includes fieldnotes and manuscripts, and correspondence and other materials relating to the Agricultural Development Council.

Box 2, Folder 29	Field notes and other materials relating to research on rural markets, 1967
Box 2, Folder 30	Unpublished papers regarding Brazil and Portugal compared, 1978, undated
Box 2, Folder 31	Agricultural Development Council, 1967

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Series 4: Writings and notes, undated

Scope and Contents: This series relates to Forman's writings and publications and contains manuscript drafts, correspondence, press, and reviews primarily related to *Brazilian Peasantry* and *Diagnosing America*. Also included is a file of miscellaneous notes and other items, including a poster for the Brazilian Army.

Box 3, Folder 1	Correspondence regarding Brazilian Peasantry, 1967-1977
Box 3, Folder 2	Reviews of Brazilian Peasantry and Diagnosing America, 1975-1995
Box 3, Folder 3	Unpublished paper on political economy of property and labor in Latin America with John Coatsworth, undated
Box 3, Folder 4	Miscellaneous notes and other items, undated Notes: Includes Brazilian army poster.

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