

Cyberfest Postal Covers and Arthur C. Clarke Letter

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Collection Overview

Repository: National Air and Space Museum Archives

Title: Cyberfest Postal Covers and Arthur C. Clarke Letter

Date: 1997-1998

Identifier: NASM.2018.0004

Extent: 0.05 Cubic feet (1 folder)

Language: English .

Summary: This collection consists of two postal covers designed for Cyberfest by

the Champaign-Urbana Stamp Club and a letter from Arthur C. Clarke.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Judy Tolliver, Gift, 2017, NASM.2018.0004

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

Cyberfest was a weeklong celebration of the birthday of the HAL 9000 computer, a character in the novel and movie 2001: A Space Odyssey (both written by Arthur C. Clarke and Stanley Kubrick), which was held at the University of Illinois and in the cities of Champaign and Urbana in January 1997. Arthur C. Clarke participated in the festivities by appearing via satellite video link at the gala event at the end of the week and also appeared in a film with Roger Ebert made for the event. Judy Tolliver was working in the University's Department of Computer Science and was the originator of Cyberfest as well as serving as one of the event's organizers.

Scope and Contents

This collection consists of two postal covers designed for Cyberfest by the Champaign-Urbana Stamp Club, both of which are postmarked January 12, 1997 in Urbana, Illinois. One of the covers is autographed by Arthur C. Clarke. The collection also contains a letter from Clarke to Judy Tolliver, dated January 6, 1998, thanking her for sending him a copy of the film made for Cyberfest and a listing of the status of his current projects.

Arrangement

This collection is in original order.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Astronautics Covers (Philately) -- United States Science fiction

Types of Materials:

Correspondence