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## Finding Aid - Catherine Thexton (TC 135 (A2008-009, A2009-060))

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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Manitoba Archives & Special Collections
<b>Title:</b>	Catherine Thexton
<b>ID:</b>	TC 135 (A2008-009, A2009-060)
<b>Date:</b>	1975-2004 (date of creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	2 m. of audio & other material including .25 m. of textual records & 134 micro cassettes, 62 data tapes, 21 reel to reel audio tapes , 4 vinyl discs, 206 CDS, 7 audio cassettes.
<b>Dates of creation, revision and deletion:</b>	Finding aid created and encoded by Lewis St. George Stubbs (August 2009). Revised by N. Courrier (October 2019).

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Catherine Thexton was born in Balmoral, Manitoba in 1921. She and her husband George farmed in the area for over 45 years. She graduated from the Provincial Normal School in 1939 and taught school for twenty years. In 1944 -1945 she studied conservation in Ontario. She received a Bachelor of Science degree from University of Manitoba in 1966. She obtained her Bachelor of Education in 1973 & an Master of Education in 1978. In 1977-1978 she taught the first full course in ecology in a secondary school at St. John's High School.

A lifelong devotee of nature has been recording bird calls and songs since the mid 1970s. She has produced eight commercial recordings. They include: In Praise of Spring in album format in 1981, Meadowlark Music & Other Nature Sounds in album format in 1983, Let Nature Sing in album format in 1987, Songs & Sounds in audiocassette in 1989, Dusk to Dawn Nature Sounds in audiocassette in 1992, Just Birds in CD & cassette in 1995, Sounds from Fields & Woods in CD & cassette in 1997 & Bird Song with Ambient Sound in CD 2003.

Thexton passed away on February 27, 2019.

### Custodial history

The fonds were donated by Catherine Thexton in 2008 & 2009.

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## Scope and content

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The fonds are divided into seven series. They include: Biographical information, lists of bird calls, bird calls audio tapes & CDs, commercially produced CDs, vinyl discs, & audio cassettes & CDs produced by other people

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## Notes

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### Title notes

### Restrictions on access

There are no restrictions on access.

### Finding aids

A finding aid can be downloaded from the fonds-level description by clicking on the “Download” link under “Finding Aid” on the right hand side of the screen.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
  - **Level of detail:** Partial
  - **Status description:** Draft
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## Access points

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- Multiple media (documentary form)
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## Series descriptions

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### Biographical Information

Date: [1970-2008] (date of creation)

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)

Publication status:

published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Biographical Information	1970-2008		A2008-009, Box 0001 File 0001
<b>List of Bird Calls</b> <u>Date:</u> 1979-1994 (date of creation) <u>Access points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Textual record (documentary form)</li> </ul> <u>Publication status:</u> published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - List of Bird Calls	1980-1994		A2008-009, Box 0001 File 0002
	File - List of Bird Calls	1975-1994		A2008-009, Box 0001 File 0003
<b>Bird Calls Audio Tapes &amp; CDs</b> <u>Date:</u> 1975-1994 (date of creation) <u>Access points:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Sound recording (documentary form)</li> </ul> <u>Publication status:</u> published				
File / item list				
Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Includes 10 mid sized tapes & 15 CDs including three from the Feb. 26, 1979 eclipse of the sun	1975-1981		A2008-009, Box 0001A File 0001
	File - Includes 10 small audio tapes, 8 mid sized tapes & 12 CDs	1975-1981		A2008-009, Box 0001B File 0001
	File - Includes 8 small tapes, 8 mid size tapes & 17 CDs	1982		A2008-009, Box 0002 File 0001

	File - Includes 6 small tapes, 6 mid size & 12 CDs	1983	A2008-009, Box 0003 File 0001
	File - 6 small tapes, 7 mid size & 14 CDs	1984	A2008-009, Box 0004 File 0001
	File - 11 small tapes, 9 mid size & 22 CDs	1985	A2008-009, Box 0005 File 0001
	File - 8 small tapes, 8 mid size tapes & 14 CDs	1986-1987	A2008-009, Box 0006 File 0001
	File - 18 small tapes, 7 mid sized tapes & 25 CDs	1988-1989	A2008-009, Box 0007 File 0001
	File - 43 small tapes & 37 CDs	1990-1992	A2008-009, Box 0008 File 0001
	File - 24 small tapes & 28 CDs	1993-1994	A2008-009, Box 0009 File 0001
	File - 5 reel to reel tapes 1 of Robins et al. 1987, 2 of In Praise of Spring 1984 & 2 of Let Nature Sing 1987	1984-1987	A2008-009, Box 0010 File 0001
	File - 3 reel to reel tapes of Prairie Sounds	1989	A2008-009, Box 0011 File 0001
	File - 2 reel to reel tapes of Meadow Lark Music 1984 & 2 reel to reel tapes of Nature Sounds 1992	1984-1992	A2008-009, Box 0012 File 0001
	File - Let Nature Sing 2 reel to reel tapes (1987) Meadowlark Music 2 reel to reel tapes (1983) 1 unidentified data tape	1983-1987	A2008-009, Box 0013 File 0001

### Commercially Produced CDs & Audio Cassettes

Date: 1983-2002 (date of creation)

Access points:

- Sound recording (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

#### File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - Bird Song with Ambient Sound 5CDs (2002) Just Birds A Selection of Sounds 1 CD (1995) Sounds from Fields & Woods 1CD (1997) Let Nature Sing 1CD (1987) Meadowlark Music 1CD (1983)	1983-2002		A2008-009, Box 0013 File 0002

	File - Songs & Sounds 1 audio cassette, Dawn to Dusk 1 audio cassette, Sounds from Fields & Woods 1 audio cassette, Just Birds 1 audio cassette, In Praise of Spring 1 audio cassettes, Let Nature Sing 1 audio cassette & Meadowlark Music 1 audio cassette	1983-1995	A2008-009, Box 0013 File 0003
	File - 4 reel to reel tapes 1 CD In Praise of Spring (1981 & 1987)	1981-1987	A2008-009, Box 0014 File 0001

## Vinyl Discs

Date: 1981-1987 (date of creation)

Access points:

- Sound recording (documentary form)

Publication status:

published

### File / item list

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
	File - 2 albums In Praise of Spring, 1 Meadowlark Music & 1 Let Nature Sing	1981-1987		A2008-009, Box 0015 File 0001
	File - Birds of Minnesota by Stan Tekiela 2 CDs (2004) Birds of Wisconsin by Stan Tekiela 2 CDs (2004) Bird Songs of the Arctic by John Neville	2004		A2008-009, Box 0015 File 0002