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Kate Forsyth papers

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| Size | 13 boxes |
| Contents | Drafts, correspondence, research material for the fantasy series, <i>Witches of Eileanan</i> |
| Biography | Kate Forsyth is an Australian fantasy author, writing for children, young adults and adults. Kate graduated from Macquarie University with a Bachelor of Arts in Literature, and went on to work as a full-time journalist before freelancing in order to allow her more time for writing. Kate also publishes poetry under her maiden name, Kate Humphrey. |
| Notes | Open access. Material in the collection has been ordered into a single numbered sequence comprising both folders and stand-alone items (usually larger drafts). |

Series A: *Dragonclaw*

Dragonclaw is the first title in the fantasy series, *Witches of Eileanan*. It was first published in 1997 by Random House and was short listed for the Aurealis Awards in the same year. Published in the United States under its series title, it debuted at number eight on the bestseller list of *Locus Magazine*. It has also been published in Germany.

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Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'Margaret of the thistle'

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Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'Isabel the foundling'

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Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'Maya the unknown'

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Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'Meghan of the beasts'

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Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'Kha'derin the scarred warrior'

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Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'Isabeau the apprentice witch'

Folder 7

Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', chapter 'The threads entwine', incomplete

Item 8

Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, original title, 'The Circle and the Pentagon', typescript, editing by author, 559pp

Item 9

Early draft of *Dragonclaw*, now with title, *Dragonclaw*, typescript, no editing, labelled original version by the author, 595pp

Item 10

Later draft of *Dragonclaw*, typescript, extensive editing by the author, 290pp

Item 11

Later draft of *Dragonclaw*, typescript, revised with editing on item 10 incorporated, post-it notes are from the editor, 578pp

Item 12

Early page proofs from Random House, extensive editing, 20 Dec 1996, 524pp

Item 13

Late page proofs from Random House, incorporating editing from earlier proofs, 29 Jan 1997, 531pp

Item 14

Page proofs from Penguin for United States publication of *Dragonclaw*, entitled *The Witches of Eileanan*, 30 Oct 1997, incomplete

Series B: *The Pool of Two Moons*

The Pool of Two Moons is the second title in the fantasy series, *Witches of Eileanan*. It was first published by Random House in 1998. It has also been published in the United States and Germany.

Item 15

Early draft of *The Pool of Two Moons*, typescript, 187pp, incomplete

Folder 16

Miscellaneous drafts of chapters from *The Pool of Two Moons*

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Early draft of *The Pool of Two Moons*, typescript, 491pp, editing by author

Item 18

Later draft of *The Pool of Two Moons*, typescript, extensive editing by author, post-it notes are from the editor, pp1-428

Item 19

Later draft of *The Pool of Two Moons*, typescript, extensive editing by author, post-it notes are from the editor, pp429-923

Item 20

Later draft of *The Pool of Two Moons*, typescript, post-it notes are from the editor, 666pp

Item 21

Page proofs from Random House, editing by the author and editor, 17 Jun 1998, 567pp

Item 22

Page proofs from Penguin for United States publication of *The Pool of Two Moons*, incomplete

Item 23

Later draft of *The Pool of Two Moons*, typescript, editorial corrections, 574pp

Folder 24

Glossary and style sheet

Item 25

Corrected page proofs from Random House, some editing, 3 Apr 1998, 567pp

Series C: *The Cursed Towers*

The Cursed Towers is the third title in the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*. It was first published by Random House in 1999 and was short listed for the Aurealis Awards in the same year. It has also been published in the United States and Germany.

Item 26

Early draft of *The Cursed Towers*, typescript, editing by the author, pp82-291, incomplete

Item 27

Later draft of *The Cursed Towers*, typescript, editorial corrections and author editing, 567pp plus glossary

Series D: *The Forbidden Land*

The Forbidden Land is the fourth title in the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*. It was first published by Random House in 2000. It has also been published in the United States and Germany.

Item 28

Later draft of *The Forbidden Land*, typescript, editorial corrections, 402pp plus style sheet

Series E: *The Skull of the World*

The Skull of the World is the fifth title in the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*. It was first published by Random House in 2001. It has also been published in the United States and Germany.

Item 29

Later draft of *The Skull of the World*, typescript, editorial corrections, 349pp

Series F: *The Fathomless Caves*

The Fathomless Caves is the last title in the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*. It was first published by Random House in 2002. It has also been published in the United States and Germany.

Item 30

Early draft of *The Fathomless Caves*, typescript, editing by author, pp114-553, incomplete

Item 31

Early draft of *The Fathomless Caves*, typescript, labelled by author as the original manuscript before being split into three, 615pp

Item 32

Later draft of *The Fathomless Caves*, typescript, editing by author and editorial corrections, 693pp plus glossary

Item 33

First page proofs of *The Fathomless Caves*, editing by author, 389pp

Folder 34

Selected page proofs of *The Fathomless Caves*, editing by author

Item 35

Later page proofs of *The Fathomless Caves*, editorial corrections, 4 Oct 2001, 433pp

Series G: Notebooks

This series includes the author's notebooks and research notes for the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*.

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Notebook containing research notes, early drafts for *Dragonclaw*

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Notebook containing research notes, early drafts for *The Pool of Two Moons*

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Notebook containing research notes for *The Cursed Towers*, *The Forbidden Land*, *The Skull of the World* and *The Fathomless Caves*

Folder 39

Research notes, early drafts for *Dragonclaw*

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Research notes, early draft for *The Pool of Two Moons*

Folder 41

Research notes for the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*

Series H: Other Writing

This series contains drafts and correspondence relating to other published writing by Kate Forsyth.

Folder 42

Correspondence and drafts of writing for *Altair Magazine*, 'Heroic Fantasy - the Literature of Transcendence', appears in *Altair Magazine*, Issue 2, ISSN 1328-3340

Folder 43

Correspondence and draft for chapter 'Morgan of the Fay' appearing in *The Road to Camelot*, edited by Sophie Masson

Folder 44

Correspondence and drafts for 'Boy from the monster forest' appearing in *Fantastic Worlds*, 1998

Series I: Correspondence and Publicity Material

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Correspondence relating to *Dragonclaw*

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Correspondence relating to *The Pool of Two Moons*

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Correspondence relating to the fantasy series, *The Witches of Eileanan*

Folder 48

Artwork for the various book covers, promotional and publicity material

Folder 49

Publicity photographs of Kate Forsyth

Series J: Computer Files

This series contains drafts of the various titles in the fantasy series, *Witches of Eileanan*, on computer disk. The floppy disks have been transferred to CD-Rom where it has been possible to convert the files. A list of the files on each disk has been made.

Series K: Miscellaneous Material

Item 50

Curriculum vitae for Kate Forsyth prior to publication of first title in *The Witches of Eileanan*

Item 51

Page proofs from reprint edition of *Dragonclaw*, 24 Jan 2003, editing by the author, 532pp

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