David Boswell Comic Collection (1980-1998)

An Inventory of the Collection Held in Rare Books and Special Collections, University of British Columbia Library

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Description

Title: David Boswell Comic Book Collection. **Dates:** (1980-1998) **Extent:** 6 cm.

Biography: David Boswell is a comic book artist, photographer, illustrator, and screenwriter based in Vancouver, British Columbia. Born in London, Ontario in 1953, Boswell studied film at Oakville's Sheridan College and graduated in 1974. Boswell moved to Vancouver in 1977 after *Heart Break Comics* was published in *The Georgia Straight*. In 1978, Boswell created the *Reid Fleming* series, for which he is known best. *Reid Fleming* follows the trials of an unattractive, sometimes violent milkman with super strength. The character has gained popularity among readers who identify with Fleming acting out the common man's fantasy – standing up to his superiors. Boswell continues his artistic works today, self-publishing under Deep-Sea Comics and posting comics online.

Custodial History: All comics acquired from the author in November 2009.

Scope and Content: The collection consists of the majority of the author's full length comic books, as well as the graphic novel, *Rogue to Riches*.

Collection consists of the following series:

- 1. Reid Fleming (1980-1998)
- 2. Rogue to Riches (1998)
- 3. Heart Break Comics (1984)
- 4. Ray-Mond #1 (1998)

Accruals: Further accruals are expected.

Finding Aid: File list available, collection is catalogued. [Call Number:, RBSC Portfolio]

<u>File List</u>

- 1-1) David Boswell, *Reid Fleming 1-9* (Vancouver: Deep-Sea Comics, 1980-1998)
 - a. Reid Fleming 1 (1980)
 - b. *Reid Fleming 2* (1986)
 - c. *Reid Fleming 3* (1987)
 - d. *Reid Fleming 4* (1988)
 - e. Reid Fleming 5 (1989)
 - f. *Reid Fleming 6* (1990)
 - *g. Reid Fleming* 7 (1997)
 - h. Reid Fleming 8 (1997)

- i. Reid Fleming 9 (1998)
- 1-2) David Boswell, *Rogue to Riches* (Vancouver: Deep-Sea Comics, 1998)
- **1-3)** David Boswell, *Heart Break Comics* (Vancouver: Deep-Sea Comics, 1984)
- **1-4)** David Boswell, *Ray-Mond* (Vancouver: Deep-Sea Comics, 1998)