# William J. Pearce Papers

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## **Summary Information**

Repository	Local History & Genealogy Division
Creator	Pearce, William J., 1925-
Title	William J. Pearce Papers
Date	1950s-1990s
Extent	15.0 Cubic feet 16 boxes
Language	English
Abstract	The William J. Pearce papers consist of materials related to Pearce's career in educational television. The papers, which date from the 1950s to the 1990s, also include Pearce's military service, his involvement with the Philosophers' Club, his long history in public television, and his passion for Native American culture, which can be seen in his work with the Friends of Ganondagan and the Native American Public Telecommunications. Pearce is the recipient of two Peabody Awards.

#### **Preferred Citation**

William J. Pearce Papers, [Box#, Folder#], Local History & Genealogy Division, Central Library of Rochester and Monroe County N.Y.

## **Scope and Content**

This collection documents the activities of William J. Pearce, who served as president and general manager of WXXI-TV, AM/FM from 1969 to 1996. The majority of the materials are related to Pearce's time at WXXI and include correspondence, photographs, drawings, and production notes, as well as items about WXXI's history. Other topics include Pearce's involvement with the Native American Public Television Association and the Ganondagan State Historic Site, his naval service, and his history of service in educational television. Pearce is the recipient of two Peabody Awards.

## **Administrative Information**

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#### **Publication Information**

Local History & Genealogy Division

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#### **Custodial History**

The collection was donated by Margaret Pearce.

## **Controlled Access Headings**

**Corporate Name(s)** 

• WXXI (Television station: Rochester, N.Y.) .

### Subject(s)

- Educational television stations--New York (State)--Rochester
- Public broadcasting--New York (State)--Rochester