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W. S. Gwynn Williams Papers

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Gwybodaeth grynodeb | Summary information

Lleoliad Repository:	Llyfrgell Genedlaethol Cymru = The National Library of Wales
Teitl Title:	W. S. Gwynn Williams Papers
ID:	GB 0210 WSGAMS
Virtua system control number [alternative]:	vtls004224733
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Dyddiad Date:	[1800x2001] (predominantly 1890-1976)(accumulated [c. 1908]-[c. 2001]) (dyddiad creu date of creation)
Disgrifiad ffisegol Physical description:	0.074 cubic metres (3 boxes, 4 vols, 10 folders, 6 envelopes)
Lleoliad ffisegol Physical location:	ARCH/MSS (GB0210)
Iaith Language:	English
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Dyddiadau creu, golygu a dileu Dates of creation, revision and deletion:	

Hanes gweinyddol / Braslun bywgraffyddol | Administrative history | Biographical sketch

Nodyn | Note

W. S. Gwynn Williams (1896-1978), musician, composer, author, editor and administrator, established the Gwynn Publishing Company and was one of the founders of the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod.

He was born, 4 April 1896, at Plas Hafod, Llangollen, the son of the musician W. Pencerdd Williams. He composed numerous songs, including the popular 'Tosturi Duw' ('God's Mercy') and 'My Little Welsh Home'. From 1922 to 1929 he edited Y Cerddor Newydd, and was also responsible for the short lived musical review, Y Delyn: the Welsh Music Review, of which three issues only appeared, in 1947.

His devotion to the field of Welsh folk music is one of his main contributions. He was secretary of the Welsh Folk-Song Society, 1933-1957, becoming chairman in 1957. He also edited the Society's Journal for thirty years. He published many collections of folk-songs and tunes, including Old Welsh Folk-songs (1927), and Caneuon Traddodiadol y Cymry in two volumes (1961, 1963). He published a pioneering

study of traditional Welsh music entitled Welsh National Music and Dance, of which four editions appeared between 1932 and 1971.

He established the Gwynn Publishing Company which, over the years, produced a wide range of both Welsh and European music. He also played a prominent part in the inception of the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod in 1947, becoming its first musical director. He was a prominent member of the Eisteddfod Gorsedd, and was musical organiser of the Gorsedd of Bards. He died in 1978.

Hanes Gwarchodol | Custodial history

The papers of W. S. Gwynn Williams (including those of his father, W. Pencerdd Williams) were passed to his widow, Mrs Elizabeth Eleanor Gwynn Williams, after his death in 1978. Following Mrs Williams's death in September 2001, various interested parties were given the opportunity by the executor (the local representative of HSBC Probate Services) to take possession of items, including printed material, papers and audio tapes, belonging to the estate of W. S. Gwynn Williams.

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content

The fonds comprises mainly his professional papers, 1908-1976, a few personal papers, [1800x2001], and papers of his father, W. Pencerdd Williams, [c. 1890]-[c. 1924]. Papers relating to the Welsh Folk-Song Society and to his role as first musical director of the Llangollen International Eisteddfod are not included.

Nodiadau | Notes

Nodiadau teitl | Title notes

Ffynhonnell | Immediate source of acquisition

Donated by The Estate of the late Mrs Elizabeth Eleanor Gwynn Williams, Llangollen, widow of W. S. Gwynn Williams per Mr Alwyn Jones, Probate Service Manager, HSBC, Rhos on Sea, December 2001.; A2001/83

Trefniant | Arrangement

Arranged according to provenance at NLW into three groups: professional papers, 1908-1976, personal papers, [1800x2001], and W. Pencerdd Williams papers, [c. 1890]-[c. 1924].

Cyfyngiadau ar fynediad | Restrictions on access

Readers consulting modern papers in the National Library of Wales are required to sign the 'Modern papers - data protection' form.

Amodau rheoli defnydd | Conditions governing use

Usual copyright laws apply.

Disgrifiadau deunydd | Related material

Audio tapes (reel to reel) and cassettes are NLW, National Screen and Sound Archive RM14720-RM14731 and CM10957-CM10976. A number of records have been transferred to NLW, National Screen and Sound Archive, and published material to the collection of printed books.

Ychwanegiadau | Accruals

Accruals are not expected.

Nodiadau eraill | Other notes

- **Statws cyhoeddiad | Publication status:** Published

Pwyntiau mynediad | Access points

- Gwynn Williams, W. S. (William Sidney), 1896-1978 -- Archives. (pwnc) | (subject)

Disgrifiad cyfres | Series descriptions

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
G vtls004246079 (WIAbNL)0000246079	Otherlevel - Professional papers	1908-1976		G.

Cyfres | Series G1 vtls004246096 (WIAbNL)0000246096: Correspondence

Dyddiad | Date: 1925-1976 (dyddiad creu) | (date of creation)

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content:

The series comprises correspondence relating to radio broadcasting in Wales, the establishment of the Union of Welsh Music and Musicians, and the National Eisteddfod of Wales; together with a small group of miscellaneous letters, 1925-1976, to W. S. Gwynn Williams.

Disgrifiad ffisegol | Physical description: 3 folders, 1 envelope

Lleoliad ffisegol | Physical location: ARCH/MSS (GB0210)

Nodyn | Note:

Preferred citation: G1

Trefniant | Arrangement:

Arranged according to subject and chronologically or alphabetically within each file.

Ffeil / rhestr eitemau | File / item list

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
G1/1 vtls004246143 (WIAbNL)0000246143	File - BBC	1926		G1/1 (1).
G1/2 vtls004246189 (WIAbNL)0000246189	File - National Eisteddfod of Wales	1930-1932		G1/2 (1).
G1/3 vtls004246199 (WIAbNL)0000246199	File - Union of Welsh Music and Musicians	1929-1930		G1/3 (1).
G1/4 vtls004246294 (WIAbNL)0000246294	File - Miscellaneous letters to W. S. Gwynn Williams	1925-1976 (predominantly 1925-1932)		G1/4 (1).

Cyfres | Series G2 vtls004246301 (WIAbNL)0000246301: Publications, lectures and literary material

Dyddiad | Date: 1916-[?1932] (dyddiad creu) | (date of creation)

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content:

The series comprises drafts of works by W. S. Gwynn Williams and drafts of articles by others, submitted for publication in Y Cerddor Newydd, 1916-[?1932].

Disgrifiad ffisegol | Physical description: 1 box, 1 vol., 2 envelopes

Lleoliad ffisegol | Physical location: ARCH/MSS (GB0210)

Nodyn | Note:

Preferred citation: G2

Trefniant | Arrangement:

Arranged according to subject.

Ffeil / rhestr eitemau | File / item list

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
G2/1 vtls004246306 (WIAbNL)0000246306	File - Notes on Welsh National Music and Dance	1930-1932		G2/1 (1).
G2/2 vtls004246772 (WIAbNL)0000246772	File - Y Cerddor Newydd	[1922]-[?1929]		G2/2 (2).
G2/3 vtls004246796 (WIAbNL)0000246796	File - Articles and lectures	1923-1926		G2/3 (3).
G2/4 vtls004246803 (WIAbNL)0000246803	File - Plays and poetry	1916-1919		G2/4 (3).

Cyfres | Series G3 vtls004246825 (WIAbNL)0000246825: Music manuscripts

Dyddiad | Date: 1908-[c. 1953] (dyddiad creu) | (date of creation)

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content:

The series comprises mainly manuscript drafts of music, composed or arranged by W. S. Gwynn Williams, and a number of music manuscripts or photocopies of works by others, 1908-[c. 1953].

Disgrifiad ffisegol | Physical description: 1 box, 1 folder, 1 envelope

Lleoliad ffisegol | Physical location: ARCH/MSS (GB0210)

Nodyn | Note:

Preferred citation: G3

Pwyntiau mynediad | Access points:

- Music (ffurfiau dogfennol) | (documentary form)

Trefniant | Arrangement:

Arrangement: original order.

Ffeil / rhestr eitemau | File / item list

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
G3/1 vtls004246875 (WIAbNL)0000246875	File - W. S. Gwynn Williams music manuscripts	1908-1926		G3/1 (3).
G3/2 vtls004246985 (WIAbNL)0000246985	File - 'The Happy Wanderer'	[?1953]-[?1954]		G3/2 (4).
G3/3 vtls004249449 (WIAbNL)0000249449	File - Miscellaneous music	[c. 1920]-[? 1945]		G3/3 (4).

Cyfres | Series G4 vtls004247082 (WIAbNL)0000247082: Radio scripts

Dyddiad | Date: 1925-1929 (dyddiad creu) | (date of creation)

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content:

The series comprises typescripts of radio lecture-recitals and talks by W. S. Gwynn Williams, entitled 'The Spirit of Welsh Music', 1925 and 1927, 'Nationality in Music', 1927, 'The Making of Music', 1927, 'The Music of Wales and the Eisteddfod', 1929, and a few related typescript programmes. Some of these were broadcast during the period he was in charge of Welsh programmes from the Irish stations at Dublin and Cork, 1928-1930.

Disgrifiad ffisegol | Physical description: 1 folder

Lleoliad ffisegol | Physical location: ARCH/MSS (GB0210)

Nodyn | Note:

Preferred citation: G4

Pwyntiau mynediad | Access points:

- Eisteddfod Genedlaethol Cymru
- Radio scripts (ffurfiau dogfennol) | (documentary form)
- Music -- Wales (ffurfiau dogfennol) | (documentary form)
- Nationalism in music (pwnc) | (subject)

Trefniant | Arrangement:

Arranged chronologically.

Disgrifiadau deunydd | Related material:

Related articles/lectures are G2/3.

Ffeil / rhestr eitemau | File / item list

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
G4/1 vtls004247088 (WIAbNL)0000247088	File - Radio scripts	1925-1929		G4/1 (4).

Cyfres | Series G5 vtls004247101 (WIAbNL)0000247101: Contracts and publicity material

Dyddiad | Date: 1914-1972 (dyddiad creu) | (date of creation)

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content:

The series comprises copyright contracts, 1914-1972, lists of W. S. Gwynn Williams's compositions and arrangements, and publicity leaflets.

Disgrifiad ffisegol | Physical description: 3 folders

Lleoliad ffisegol | Physical location: ARCH/MSS (GB0210)

Nodyn | Note:

Preferred citation: G5

Pwyntiau mynediad | Access points:

- Musicians' contracts (ffurfiau dogfennol) | (documentary form)
- Authors and publishers -- Wales (pwnc) | (subject)

Trefniant | Arrangement:

Arranged according to subject and chronologically within each file.

Ffeil / rhestr eitemau | File / item list

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
G5/1 vtls004247113 (WIAbNL)0000247113	File - Copyright contracts	1914-1972		G5/1 (4).

G5/2 vtls004247130 (WIAbNL)0000247130	File - Lists of compositions and publicity material	1925-1932	G5/2 (4).
P vtls004247141 (WIAbNL)0000247141	Otherlevel - Personal papers	[1800x2001] (predominantly 1919-1962) (accumulated [c. 1924]-[c. 2001])	P.

Cyfres | Series P1 vtls004247153 (WIAbNL)0000247153: Personal and miscellaneous papers

Dyddiad | Date: [1800x2001] (predominantly 1919-1962) (dyddiad creu) | (date of creation)

Natur a chynnwys | Scope and content:

The series comprises items relating to the honour conferred upon W.S. Gwynn Williams by the Italian Republic, 1962; papers relating to the National Eisteddfod of Wales, 1919-1932, and a few printed items, [1800x1899].

Disgrifiad ffisegol | Physical description: 3 vols, 2 folders, 3 envelopes

Lleoliad ffisegol | Physical location: ARCH/MSS (GB0210)

Nodyn | Note:

Preferred citation: P1

Trefniant | Arrangement:

Arrangement: original order.

Ffeil / rhestr eitemau | File / item list

Cod cyfeirnod Ref code	Teitl Title	Dyddiadau Dates	Statws mynediad Access status	Cynhwysydd Container
P1/1 vtls004247159 (WIAbNL)0000247159	File - Honours	1962		P1/1 (5).
P1/3 vtls004246879 (WIAbNL)0000246879	File - Collection of ballads and airs	[1800x1899]		P1/3 (5).
P1/4 vtls004247588 (WIAbNL)0000247588	File - Caniadau y Cyssegr	[1839]x[?1900]		P1/4 (5).
P1/5 vtls004247591 (WIAbNL)0000247591	File - The Mynshall Lute Book	1975-1976		P1/5 (5).
P1/6 vtls004247210 (WIAbNL)0000247210	File - Printed programmes	1916-1959		P1/6 (5).
P1/7 vtls004247217 (WIAbNL)0000247217	File - Miscellaneous papers	[1920x2001]		P1/7 (5).
W vtls004247616 (WIAbNL)0000247616	Otherlevel - W. Pencerdd Williams Papers	[c. 1890]- [c. 1925] (accumulated [c. 1925])		W.
W/1 vtls004247625 (WIAbNL)0000247625	File - W. Pencerdd Williams	[c. 1890]-[c. 1925]		W/1 (6).