



## THE UNIVERSITY OF MELBOURNE ARCHIVES

<b>NAME OF COLLECTION</b>	<b>CAPOCCHI, EILEEN</b>
<b>ACCESSION NO</b>	100/218; VWLLFA No. 34
<b>CATEGORY</b>	Other, individuals
<b>ACTIVITY</b>	Feminists
<b>DATE RANGE</b>	1958-1985
<b>SIZE OF COLLECTION</b>	6 archives boxes
<b>HISTORICAL NOTE</b>	<p>Eileen Capocchi was born on 12 March, 1925 in Jaffa, Palestine, and moved to Australia with her family when she was two. State school educated, Capocchi and her brother became state wards and were placed in an orphanage after their parents separated and their mother went overseas. At fourteen she ran away to work in a Lonsdale Street clothing factory and joined the Eureka Youth League. Married twice with three children, Capocchi worked at a variety of jobs, including drink waitressing, welfare work, receptionist and office work and home based dressmaking. In 1957, while still a member of the Communist Party of Australia, she joined the Union of Australian Women at Chelsea and undertook volunteer work in the UAW office. After teaching herself to type and acquiring administrative skills, she became UAW Secretary (1964-1968). She established the Women's Liberation Aspendale group in 1972 and by 1973 she was a member of the Melbourne Women's Liberation Newsletter editorial group. Disillusioned with the male-dominated politics of the CPA and the communist men's lack of support for the Women's Liberation Movement, Capocchi eventually let her membership lapse. In 1977 she became the paid Coordinator of the Western Region Women's Learning Centre where she designed three courses: Theory of Driving, Maths for Fun, and Water Safety and Confidence for Mature Women. For several years she taught women how to swim at the Northcote pool.</p>
<b>DATE OF TRANSFER</b>	12 October 2000
<b>ACCESS CONDITIONS</b>	Open

<b>DESCRIPTION</b>	Articles (arranged according to author's gender); calendar; National Workers Control Conference papers; National Conference of Socialist Women papers; Women and Labour Conference papers; correspondence; theatre programs; songsheets; personal papers; newspaper clippings; comics; monographs; periodicals including 'Join Hands', 'Australian Left Review', 'Bluestocking', 'China Sports', 'Interface Review', 'Womans speak', 'Me Jane', 'Empire News', 'Other Woman', 'Ms', 'Vashti', 'Rough Times', 'Newsheet: Women's Liberation Movement', 'Our Women'. 'Praxis', 'Right to Choose'. 'Radical America', 'Refractory Girl', 'Spare Rib', 'National U', 'Wife's Lot', 'Tribune', 'Union of Australian Women Newsletter', 'Vashti's Voice', 'Women's Liberation Newsletter'; miscellaneous newsletters regarding women and politics; subject files regarding abortion, CPA, education, councils, Italian language, sexuality, UAW, VicSwim, women, WEL, Women's Health Resource Collective, WICH, WLM, Women of the West Network, Working Women's Centre.
<b>NOTE ON COLLECTIONS</b>	
<b>NOTE ON LISTING</b>	Data converted from a FilemakerPro Database in 2008. Series and Item numbers follow the original numbering system established for the VWLLFA. For boxes, the Collection Number precedes the box number. For item identifiers, the Collection Number precedes a classification number and an item number.
<b>LISTED BY</b>	Shirley Turner
<b>DATE</b>	July 2008

<b>Box No</b>	<b>Series No</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Date</b>
		<b>Eileen Capocchi Papers</b>	
1	34/01a/01	Articles, By Men: articles, 'The Housewife and Her Labour Under Capitalism', Wally Secombe, New South Wales	Unknown
	34/01a/02	Articles, By Men: articles, 'A priest's Viewpoint', Father Robert F Drinan S.J., Melbourne, Victoria	1971
	34/01a/03	Articles, By Men: articles, 'Uncertain, Coy and Hard to Please', Isaac Asimov, Boston, USA	1970
	34/01b/01	Articles, By Women: articles, 'The Political Economy of Women's Liberation', Margaret Benston	Unknown
	34/01b/02	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Communes: Their Limitations Their Potential', V. Greenberg and Z D'Aprano, New South Wales	c. 1970
	34/01b/03	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Women's Liberation and the Left', Biff Macdougall	1972
	34/01b/04	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Demystifying the Game of Politics', Barbara Wishart	Unknown
	34/01b/05	Articles, By Women: articles, 'The Mask of Beauty', Una Stannard	Unknown
	34/01b/06	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Women and Her Mind: The Story of Everyday Life', Tax Meredity	Unknown
	34/01b/07	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Consciousness Raising', Di Heath	Unknown
	34/01b/08	Articles, By Women: articles, 'How to Get Into the Movement', Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
	34/01b/09	Articles, By Women: articles, 'From Zelda', Zelda, Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
	34/01b/10	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Marriage', Sheila Cronan	Unknown
	34/01b/11	Articles, By Women: articles, 'I Want A Wife', Judy Syfers, USA	Unknown
	34/01b/12	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Women is Moving: A Herstory of the Women's Liberation Movement in Melbourne', Zelda D'Aprano, Melbourne, Victoria	1973
	34/01b/13	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Women in the Middle', Rush Florence	Unknown
	34/01b/14	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Weekend At Sorrento', Victoria	1972
	34/01b/15	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Women in Revolt: An interview given by Simone de Beauvoir', Alice Schwartz	1972
	34/01b/16	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Perspective: The Nuclear Family The Communal Family', E May	1972
	34/01b/17	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Free Space: A Perspective on the Small Group in Women's	1969

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		Liberation', Pamela Allen, San Francisco, USA	
	34/01b/18	Articles, By Women: articles, 'The Political Effect of Radical Feminism', Janis Hoare, Australian Capital Territory	1973
	34/01b/19	Articles, By Women: articles, 'Love', Ingrid Bengis	1972
	34/02	Calender: Garland: A Women's Calender	1976
	34/03/01	Conference: conference synopsis, registration form, National Workers Control Conference, Newcastle, New South Wales	1973
	34/03/02	Conference: bibliography, correspondence, National Conference of Socialist Women, Melbourne, Victoria	1974
	34/03/03a	Conference: program, conference papers, Women and Labour Conference, New South Wales	1978
	34/03/03b	Conference: program, conference papers, Women and Labour Conference, New South Wales	1978
	34/03/03c	Conference: minutes, bibliographies /directory, Women and Labour Conference, New South Wales	1978
	34/04	Correspondence: correspondence, Melbourne, Victoria	1973-1979
1	34/05	Miscellaneous: theatre programs, song sheets, personal leaflets, Melbourne, Victoria	1975-1985
2	34/06/01	Newspaper Clippings: newspaper clippings, Melbourne, Victoria	1971-1973
	34/06/02	Newspaper Clippings: newspaper clippings, Melbourne, Victoria	1972-1974
	34/06/03	Newspaper Clippings: newspaper clippings, Melbourne, Victoria	1972-1974
	34/07a/01	Publications: comics, <i>Supergirl Comic</i> , Publications, comics, Hanna Barbera Fun In	Unknown
	34/07a/02	Publications: comics, <i>Hanna Barbera Fun In</i>	Unknown
	34/07a/03	Publications: comics, <i>Archie</i>	Unknown
	34/07b/01	Publication: monograph, <i>Herstory of the Halfway House</i> , Women's Liberation Halfway House Collective, Melbourne, Victoria	1974-1976
	34/07b/02	Publication: monograph, <i>A Journal of Female Liberation</i> , Dana Densmore Lisa Leghorn Abby Rockefeller Betsy Warrior Jayne West, Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA	1970
	34/07b/03	Publication: monograph, <i>Left Wing Communism (An Infantile Disorder)</i> , V I Lenin	Unknown
	34/07b/04	Publication: monograph, miscellaneous	Unknown
	34/07b/05	Publication: monograph, <i>Women and Family Law</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1977
	34/07b/06	Publication: monograph, <i>International Women's Year: Priorities and Considerations</i> , E G Whitlam, Canberra, Australian Capital Territory	1974
	34/07b/07	Publication: monograph, <i>Victorian Committee on the Status of Women Report</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1976

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	34/07b/08	Publication, Italian: monograph, <i>Il Lavoro Della Donna e la Programmazione</i> , Rome, Italy	1966
	34/07b/09	Publication, Italian: monograph, <i>La Maternita Come Scelta Libera e Consapevole</i> , Rome, Italy	1966
	34/07b/10	Publication, Italian: monograph, <i>Rinnovamento Dell'UDI e Collaborazione tra le associazioni Femminili</i> , Rome, Italy	1966
	34/07b/11	Publication, Italian: monograph, <i>Noi Donne</i> , Italy	1958
	34/07c/01	Publication: periodical, <i>Anarcho Surrealist Insurrectionary Feminists</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1973
	34/07c/02	Publication: periodical, <i>Australian Left Review</i> , Sydney, New South Wales	1971-1973
2	34/07c/03	Publication: periodical, <i>Bluestocking</i>	1979-1980
3	34/07c/04	Publication: periodical, <i>China Sports</i> , Beijing, China	1980
	34/07c/05	Publication: periodical, <i>Connections: Newsletter of the Western Region Education Centre</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1977
	34/07c/06	Publication: periodical, <i>Interface Views</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1977-1978
	34/07c/07	Publication: periodical, <i>Join Hands</i> , Sydney, New South Wales	1972-1976
	34/07c/08	Publication: periodical, <i>Transnational Brief: Women and Work</i> , Sydney, New South Wales	1980
	34/07c/09	Publication: periodical, <i>Meat Employees' Journal</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1976
	34/07c/10	Publication: periodical, <i>Dissent: Special Issue Women In Australia</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1972
	34/07c/11	Publication: periodical, <i>Womans speak</i> , Sydney, New South Wales	Unknown
	34/07c/12	Publication: periodical, <i>Other Woman</i> , Canada	1976
	34/07c/13	Publication: periodical, <i>Me Jane</i> , Sydney, New South Wales	1972-1973
	34/07c/14	Publication: periodical, <i>Ms</i> , USA	1973-1974
	34/07c/15	Publication: periodical, newsletters, <i>Empire News</i>	1976
	34/07c/16	Publication: periodical, newsletters, <i>CARES: Volunteers Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1979
	34/07c/17	Publication: periodical, newsletter, <i>Spartacist</i>	1973
	34/07c/18	Publication: periodical, newsletter, <i>Drum</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1978
	34/07c/19	Publication: periodical, newsletter, <i>CSMC: Council for the Single Mother and Her Child</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1974
	34/07c/20	Publication: periodical, newsletter, <i>Women's Learning Centre</i> , Footscray, Victoria	1985
	34/07c/21	Publication: periodical, newsletter, <i>Women's Ecology Action Group Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1976
	34/07c/22	Publication: periodical, newspaper, <i>Scope</i> ,	1975

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		Melbourne, Victoria	
	34/07c/23	Publication: periodical, newspaper, <i>Rough Times</i> , USA	1972
	34/07c/24	Publication: periodical, <i>Vashti</i>	
	34/07c/25	Publication: periodical, <i>Newsheet : Women's Liberation Movement</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1975
	34/07c/26	Publication: periodical, <i>Our Women</i>	1968-1969
	34/07c/27	Publication: periodical, <i>Praxis</i> , Sydney, Victoria	1972
	34/07c/28	Publication: periodical, <i>Radical America</i> , Cambridge, Massachusetts, USA	1972
	34/07c/29	Publication: periodical, <i>Refractory Girl</i>	1972-1974
3	34/07c/30	Publication: periodical, <i>Right To Choose</i> , Sydney, New South Wales	1982
4	34/07c/31	Publication: periodical, <i>Spare Rib</i> , London, England	1975
	34/07c/32	Publication, Student: periodical, <i>National U</i>	1975
	34/07c/33	Publication, Student: periodical, <i>Wife's Lot (Lot's Wife)</i> , Monash University, Victoria	1972
	34/07c/34	Publication: periodical, <i>Tribune</i>	1972-1973
	34/07c/35	Publication: periodical, <i>Tribune</i>	1974-1981
	34/07c/36	Publication: periodical, <i>Union of Australian Women Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1969-1977
	34/07c/37	Publication: periodical, <i>Vashti's Voice</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1974-1976
	34/07c/38	Publication: periodical, <i>Vashti</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1977-1981
	34/07c/39	Publication: periodical, <i>Vantage: A Definitive View of South Australia</i> , South Australia	1978
	34/07c/40	Publication: periodical, <i>Women: A Journal of Liberation</i> , New York, USA	1970
4	34/07c/41	Publication: periodical, <i>Women Liberation: Notes From The Third Year</i> , New York, USA	1970-1971
5	34/07c/42	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1972
	34/07c/43	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1973
	34/07c/44	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1974
	34/07c/45	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1975
	34/07c/46	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1976
	34/07c/47	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1977
	34/07c/48	Publication: periodical, <i>Women s Liberation Newsletter</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1978
	34/08	Abortion: monograph, leaflets, <i>Abortion: The unenforceable Law</i> , Tony McMichael, Melbourne, Victoria	1972

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	34/09	CPA: report, article, <i>The Environment Crisis: Can Capitalism Solve It?</i>	Unknown
	34/10	Councils: newsletter, agenda, <i>St Kilda Today</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1968; 1985
	34/11	Education: pamphlets, monographs, questionnaire, <i>The 1981 Teachers Guide</i> , <i>Footscray Technical College</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1981
	34/12/01	Italian Language: notes, questionnaires, leaflets, Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
5	34/12/02	Italian Language: notes, leaflets, Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
6	34/13/01	Sexuality: monograph, <i>What You Should Know</i> , Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology and University of Hawaii, Hawaii, USA	Unknown
	34/13/02	Sexuality: monograph, <i>Jottings on the Contraception and Contraceptive Failure</i> , Planned Parenthood Clinic Prahran, Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
	34/13/03	Sexuality: monograph, <i>Living With Sex</i> , Monash University, Victoria	1971
	34/13/04	Sexuality: articles, Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
	34/14	UAW: report, menu, leaflets, pamphlet, newsletter, Melbourne, Victoria	1964-1976
	34/15	VicSwim: report, mail incoming, notes, newsletter, program, pamphlets, Melbourne, Victoria	1979
	34/16	Women: pamphlets, questionnaires, program, leaflets, articles, contact list, song sheets, accounts, Melbourne, Victoria	1973-1979
	34/17	WEL: monograph, <i>The WEL Papers: The National Journal of the Women's Electoral Lobby</i>	1973-1974
	34/18	Women's Health Resource Collective: pamphlets, leaflets, Melbourne, Victoria	1983
	34/19	WICH: newsletters, agenda, Melbourne, Victoria	1985
	34/20	WLM: manifesto, leaflets, Melbourne, Victoria	Unknown
	34/21	Women of the West Network: contact list, minutes, leaflets, monograph, <i>Women of the West: A Survey Report of the Needs of Sunshine Women and their Families</i> , Melbourne, Victoria	1974-1984
6	34/22	Working Women's Centre: minutes, agenda, newsletter, pamphlets, application forms, flyers, notes, correspondence, Melbourne, Victoria	1979
		<b>END LIST</b>	

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