Temple Grandin fonds, 1974-2006 (non-inclusive)

RG 432

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Creator: Grandin, Temple

Extent: 3 cm. textual material (1 box) textual records

Abstract: The textual material of the Temple Grandin fonds includes articles and books written by Temple Grandin.

Materials: Articles from journals, books and transcripts of talks.

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Acquisition Info: Files were donated by Temple Grandin on February 22, 2013
Books were donated by Temple Grandin, March 14, 2013

Administrative History:

Temple Grandin was born in Boston, Massachusetts on August 29, 1947 to Richard Grandin and Eustacia Cutler. She was diagnosed with autism at age 2. She suffered from delayed speech development and did not begin to speak until the age of 4. Temple’s mother defied the doctors and kept her out of institutions. Temple was given speech therapy as well as an intensive education. Her high school science teacher and her
aunt on a ranch in Arizona inspired Temple to continue her studies and pursue a career as a scientist and livestock equipment designer.

She graduated from Hampshire Country School (a boarding school for gifted children) in Ridge, New Hampshire in 1966, and earned a bachelor’s degree in psychology from Franklin Pierce College in 1970. In 1975, she received a master’s degree in animal science from Arizona State University and then a doctoral degree in animal science from the University of Illinois in 1989. She is currently a professor at Colorado State University. Dr. Grandin is one of the world’s leaders in the design of livestock handling facilities. She has done extensive work in design of handling facilities for animals and has developed animal welfare guidelines for the meat industries.

Dr. Grandin is a past member of the board of directors of the Autism Society of America. She lectures to parents and teachers throughout the U.S. on her experiences with autism. She makes the case that the world needs people on the autism spectrum: visual thinkers, pattern thinkers and verbal thinkers.

Some of Temple Grandin’s books include: Animals Make Us Human, Animals in Translation, The Way I See It, The Autistic Brain, and Different...Not Less. In 2010, a movie entitled “Temple Grandin” starring Clare Danes was released. The movie was based on Grandin’s own writings.

Temple Grandin is an expert on animal behavior, a bestselling author, and an autism activist. In 2010, she was listed in the “Heroes” category in the “Time” list of the world’s 100 most influential people. She has received numerous awards including an honorary doctorate from McGill, the University of Illinois and Duke University. Temple Grandin is a philosophical leader of both the animal welfare and autism advocacy movements.

sources:  
http://www.templegrandin.com/  

**Scope and Content:** The bulk of the materials consist of articles and books which were written by Temple Grandin.

**Organization:** The records are arranged into 2 series.


Inventory:


1.1 1 autographed copy of the book Emergence: Labeled Autistic by Temple Grandin and Margaret M. Scariano, Arena Press, 1986


1.3 “Needs of High Functioning Teenagers and Adults with Autism (Tips from a Recovered Autistic),” by Temple Grandin from Focus on Autistic Behavior, Vol. 5, No. 1, April 1990


1.7 “Stairway to Heaven,” by Temple Grandin from The National Humane Review, 1975

1.8 “Pointers on Design and Operation of Cattle Restrainer Systems,” by Temple Grandin from The National Provisioner, October 1976

1.9 “Dipping is Easy with Right Vat Design,” by Temple Grandin from Beef: The Business Paper of the Cattle industry, September 1978


1.11 “Livestock Behavior as Related to Handling Facilities Design,” by


1.14 “Reduce Stress of Handling to Improve Productivity of Livestock,” by Temple Grandin from *Veterinary Medicine*, June 1984


1.18 “Calmer – Because They’re Carried,” by Temple Grandin from *Beef*, 1989 (2 copies)


1.24 “Assessment of Stress During Handling and Transport,” by Temple
Grandin – presented at a symposium titled Effects of Stress in Farm Animals at the American Society of Animal Science 87th annual meeting, July 1995


1.28 “Safe Handling of Large Animals,” by Temple Grandin from Occupational Medicine: State of the Art Reviews, 1999 (2 copies)

1.29 “Good Management Practices for Animal Handling and Stunning,” by Temple Grandin published by American Meat Institute Foundation. A handwritten note on the cover of this booklet says, “Original guidelines I used when the McDonalds audits were started in 1999”, n.d.


**Subject Access:**

- 100 Grandin, Temple
- 650 Autism
- 650 Autism Spectrum Disorders
- 650 Animal Welfare
- 650 Animal Industry -- Moral and Ethical Aspects
- 650 Livestock

**Related Material:**


Temple Grandin’s Resume [http://www.grandin.com/professional.resume.html](http://www.grandin.com/professional.resume.html)

Temple Grandin booklist