

COLLECTION TITLE	Papers of Barry Dickins
COLLECTION IDENTIFIER	MSS 282
INCLUSIVE DATE(S)	1970 to 1993
EXTENT	1 box + 2 oversize
CREATOR	Barry Leonard Dickins 1949-
RELATED ENTITIES	Barry Leonard Dickins 1949- La Mama Theatre Australian Performing Group (APG)
RELATED COLLECTIONS	Papers of Barry Dickins
ACCESS POINTS	Actors Artists Authors Dramatists

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

Wikipedia article: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Barry_Dickins

Barry Dickins is an Australian playwright, actor and artist. His career has included a close association with La Mama Theatre in Melbourne as well as the Australian Performing Group. Dickins is a prolific writer, with over fifty plays to his credit, contributing columns and non-fiction to various publications, as well as prose and non-fiction publications. He is also an artist, with his art published in the Melbourne *Age* and published material.

His best-known work is the stage play *Remember Ronald Ryan*, a dramatization of the life of the last man executed in Australia. It won the 1995 Victorian Premier's Literary Award.

References:

Author record, Barry Dickins, AustLit (www.austlit.edu.au), St Lucia: The University of Queensland, 2002-. [Retrieved from https://www.austlit.edu.au/austlit/page/A21819_21/01/2019].

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

A collection of literary papers of Barry Dickins, including scripts of plays, draft manuscripts with annotations, research material used for *Remember Ronald Ryan*. Also includes drawings and a poster for *The Death of Minnie*.

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SOURCE OF ACQUISITION

The collection was acquired from Barry Dickins in two consignments.

EXISTENCE AND LOCATION OF ORIGINALS

Special Collections, UNSW Canberra

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Box 1 (MSS 282.B1)

Folder 1 (MSS 282.B1.1)

Typed, annotated draft of script of *The Banana Bender*, a one-act play by Barry Dickins, together with printed programme, c1992

Theatre programme for La Mama's production of *Hymmie* by Barry Dickins, 26 October to 9 November, 1991

Folder 2 (MSS 282.B1.2)

Annotated draft manuscript of *Royboys* by Barry Dickins

Folder 3 (MSS 282.B1.3)

Typed, annotated draft of script *Beautland* by Barry Dickins

Folder 4 (MSS 282.B1.4)

Annotated draft manuscript of *Royboys* by Barry Dickins

Folder 5 (MSS 282.B1.5)

Script *The Golden Goldenbergs*, a one-act play by Barry Dickins;

Script *Interrogation of Angel*, a one-act play by Barry Dickins

Folder 6 (MSS 282.B1.6)

Two drawings for *The Death of Minnie* by Barry Dickins

Folder 7 (MSS 282.B1.7)

Script *Remember Ronald Ryan* by Barry Dickins, third draft, 2 July, 1993

137 pages, prefaced by photographs of Ronald Ryan

Folder 8 (MSS 282.B1.8)

'The Story of Ronald Ryan', pp. 7-54 [early to mid-1970s?]

Consists of articles, court and trial summaries.

Folios (MSS 282.FOLIO)

Folio 1 (MSS 282.FOLIO.1)

Scrapbook 'Remember Ronald Ryan', first draft with annotations, 1992

Oversized - Map Cabinet (MSS 282.MAP)

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Poster for *The Death of Minnie* by Barry Dickins
