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### IDENTITY STATEMENT

**Reference:** MS1220  
**Title:** Ron Heisler collection  
**Dates:** c1848-2015  
**Level:** fonds  
**Extent and Medium:** 1 box, 1 framed poster  
**Name of Creator:** Heisler, Ronald B (fl 1948-) book collector

### CONTEXT

**Biographical/Administrative History:** Ronald Heisler started collecting books and pamphlets in 1948.

### CONTENT

**Scope and Content:** Includes photographs of the Brixton riots, 1981; Benevolent Society of Assistant Pawnbrokers circular about annual benevolent day collection, 1916 June; Upper Clyde Special - we won with your support (pamphlet, c1972); The British Trotskyists (an extrapolation), undated unpublished memoir by Albert Glotzer; flyer for folk music concert by the Ian Campbell Folk Group, the McPeake Family, Phil Ochs, 1965 November; United Irish League membership card, 1899; The Artizans', Labourers' and General Dwellings Company Limited receipt, 1901; letter from the novelist Pamela Mason about her novel, Puppet Maker, 2005; letters from Laurens Otter, 2008-2010, subjects including Communist Party of Great Britain and factions, Otto Ruehle essays, Otter's reminiscences; Nicola Jill Seyd, order of service, 2015; photograph of stall of Womens Social Political Union stall, c1910; letter from Scottish Republican Socialist Party complaining about police harassment and bias, 1992; The New Patriot Alliance, paper by Janet Lukens and John Rossen given at the North American Christian-Marxist Conference, 1978 May; photograph of a derailment of an underground train, August 1937; anti-National Front rally photographs, c1970s; Infernal Witness: play in one act on the life and death and vision of William Blake, by Karl Kopp, undated; The Pseudo-Rosicrucian Tradition: la lutte continue, unpublished paper by Ron Heisler, circa 1985; calendar for 1967 (published in the German Democratic Republic) using illustrations by Heinrich Zille; Roots Cabaret poster (Tower Hamlets Art Committee, circa 1980) advertising acts including Benjamin Zephaniah; photograph of Chartist rally, 1848; Partit Socialista de Catalunya, poster advertising constitutional congress, undated.

**Language of Scripts:** English, German, Catalan

**Conditions of Access:** Open for research although at least 24 hours advanced notice. Access to some items may be restricted by data protection legislation. See Archivist for details.

**Catalogued by Viv Aggett**

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| <b>MS1220/1/1</b> | <b>Photograph of a Chartist demonstration</b><br>Copy of a photograph of the Great Chartist Demonstration of April 1848 on Kennington Common. Possibly from The Illustrated London News. Allegedly the first photograph to be inserted in a newspaper in history.<br><br>1 photograph<br>The back of the photograph states that the original is from the Windsor Castle Library collection. | <b>1848 April</b>         |
| <b>MS1220/1/2</b> | <b>Women's Social and Political Union photograph</b><br>Photograph of five women and a stall with leaflets and slogans: Votes for Women; Vote against the Liberal Government.<br><br>1 photograph<br>.  | <b>c1906-<br/>c1912</b>   |
| <b>MS1220/1/3</b> | <b>Derailed train at Colindale on the Edgware-Morden part of the Northern Line - photograph</b><br>Report of the incident on the back of the photograph.<br><br>1 photograph<br>.   | <b>1937<br/>August 23</b> |
| <b>MS1220/1/4</b> | <b>East German calendar</b><br>Kalender published in the German Democratic Republic using illustrations by Heinrich Ziller.<br><br>1 calendar<br>.  | <b>1967</b>               |
| <b>MS1220/1/5</b> | <b>Postcards</b>  | <b>undated</b>            |

8 postcards of posters with political themes including the Polish Solidarity Campaign, from the Greater London Council Peace Poster Pack, Black Panther Stokely Carmichael. One card is older and depicts four men wearing what look like butcher's aprons.

8 postcards

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**MS1220/1/6 Pamphlet, "Upper Clyde Special: we won with your support." 1972**

Includes photographs and pieces written by Jimmy Reid and Jimmy Airlie, 4 pages.

1 item

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**MS1220/1/7 Poster, "Red Rosa" 2015**

Advertising a graphic biography of Rosa Luxemburg by Kate Evans, published by Verso in 2015.

1 item

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**MS1220/1/8 Socialist Party of Catalonia poster 1976**

Poster in black wooden frame, 58 cms by 58 cms. Bearing the words "nosostros, trabajadores hombres y mujeres de Catalunya constituimos el P.S.C. Partit Socialista de Catalunya Congreso Constituyente" in black and red type.

1 poster

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**MS1220/1/9 Brixton riots photographs 1981 April-1982 November**

Press photographs taken during the Brixton Riots. Marked UPI OUT. Descriptions and summaries of reports.

Six photographs

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**MS1220/1/10 National Front and anti-National Front demonstrations photographs 1976-1981**

Press photographs of demonstrations: Luton, 1976, Hemel Hempstead 1978, Luton 1981.

Three photographs

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**MS1220/1/11 Poster for Roots Cabaret c1980s**

At the Half Moon Theatre in Mile End Road. Tower Hamlets Art Committee. Performers included Benjamin Zephaniah, Jean Binta Breeze, Errol J. Wynter and Ibile African Music and Song.

1 poster

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**MS1220/1/12 Ian Campbell Folk Group concert flyer 1965 November 24**

Flyer for a concert at Birmingham Town Hall. Performers also included the McPeake Family, the Munstermen, Phil Ochs, Dave Phillips and Tommy Dempsey.

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**MS1220/1/13 "Trube Aussichten Fur Die Bourgeoisie." undated**

Poster for a concert in Berlin. Presenters Praxis and Datacide.

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- MS1220/1/14 United Irish League membership card** **1899**  
 In the name of James J(?)ourish.  
 1 card
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- MS1220/1/15 The Artizans' Labourers' & General Dwellings Company receipt** **1901 July 10**  
 To Mr. J Routley for ground rent in respect of 40 Garfield Road.  
 1 item
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- MS1220/1/16 Benevolent Society of Assistant Pawnbrokers leaflet** **1916 June**  
 Details of Twenty-Sixth Annual Benevolent Day Collection. Handwritten stocktaking figures on the back of the leaflet for 5 February 1919.  
 1 item
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- MS1220/1/17 Albert Glotzer's account of Trotskyism in Britain around 1931** **undated**  
 Annotated typewritten pages.  
 14 pages
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- MS1220/1/18 The New Patriot Alliance: the need for redefining patriotism and to establish a liberatory language congruent with revolutionary nationalism** **1978 May 26-May 28**

Paper by Janet J. Lukens and John Rossen,  
presented at The North American Christian-Marxist  
Conference, Rosemont College. 16 pages.

1 item

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**MS1220/1/19 Letter to George Galloway**

**1992 June  
18**

From Donald Anderson on behalf of the Scottish  
Republican Socialist Party about police behaviour  
at Scotland United rallies.

1 page

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**MS1220/1/20 Letter from Pieter Scholtz, South Africa  
playwright to "Brian"**

**circa 1995**

His plays produced in 1994, 1995, his retirement  
from the University, his future plans. 1 page.

1 letter

Closed until 2040. Data Protection Act.

**MS1220/1/21 Nicola Jane Seyd, 1936-2015**

**2015  
December**

Article on her life in the Morning Star and order of  
service for her cremation at Golders Green, 18  
December 2015.

2 items

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**MS1220/1/22 2 letters from Laurens Otter**

**2008  
March-2010  
January**

Subjects include Communist Party of Great Britain  
and factions, essays of Otto Ruhle, reminiscences  
about being in France in the second world war.

2 items

- MS1220/1/23 Letter from the novelist Pamela Mason** **2005  
November  
23**
- To the editor of City Paper in Tallin about her novel Puppet Maker, which is set in Latvia.
- 1 item
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- MS1220/1/24 The Pseudo-Rosicrucian tradition: La Lutte Continue** **c1985**
- Unpublished article by Ron Heisler, 60 pages.
- 1 item
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- MS1220/1/25 Infernal Witness by Karl Kopp** **undated**
- Unpublished script for play, 53 pages.
- 1 item
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