

**RICH YIDDISH LITERARY ARCHIVAL COLLECTION
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A rich archival collection that documents the life and creative writings of the American-born Yiddish poetess, **Rukhl Fishman**, has been organized and is now being made accessible to serious students and researchers of modern Yiddish literature.

Rukhl Fishman was a striking figure in post-World War II Yiddish poetry. She was the only American-born poet, as well as the youngest, among the Yiddish writers' group in Israel called "Yung Yisroyel" (Young Israel), and was praised as "the young hope" and "the youngest child of Yiddish verse". In 1978, a few years before her untimely death (due to lupus), she was awarded the prestigious Israeli literary prize, **THE MANGER PRIZE**, for her published writings. She lived in Kibbutz Bet Alpha and died in 1984 at the age of 49.

The trilingual archival collection (in Yiddish, Hebrew and English) includes handwritten manuscripts of her published and unpublished poetry, correspondence (dating back to her childhood years in Philadelphia), documents, photographs and taped interviews of collected reminiscences.

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