

# **FINDING AID FOR THE SCIENTIST IN RESIDENCE PROGRAM RECORDS, 2005-2013 (#2011-0013)**

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## **Descriptive Summary**

**Repository:** UHCL Archives, Human Space Flight Collection

**Collection #:** 2011-0013

**Title:** Scientist in Residence Program Records

**Creator:** Dr. Ronald Pastrana

**Inclusive Dates:** 2005-2013

**Extent:** 1.5 linear feet (3 boxes)

**Language:** English

## **Administrative Information**

**Restrictions on Access:** None

**Restrictions on Use:** Materials may be used for research and background. Documents or images with a student's full name visible may not be reproduced.

### **Acquisition Information:**

Materials donated annually in the late summer by Dr. Ronald Pastrana—latest addenda donated July 2014. Materials were donated the UHCL Archives with the hopes that Education majors would be interested in researching programs utilizing primary documents on space science in elementary schools.

**Processed by:** UHCL Archives staff

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## **Biographical/Historical Note:**

Dr. Ronald Pastrana, retired NASA scientist, first initiated the *Scientist in Residence Program* at Mill Road Intermediate School in 2006 as a two-day enrichment program for fourth graders. In 2008, Dr. Pastrana moved the program to first and fourth graders at Chancellor Livingston

Elementary School in Rhinebeck, New York, where it subsequently grew into an all-grades week-long event augmenting their standard science curriculum.

The program provides students with background information and hands-on experiences to discuss lunar geology, Earth and Life Sciences, as well as other topics related to the U.S. Space Program. The impact of the program on the student's interests may be clearly seen through the many samples of student essay letters, images, and research papers submitted by following the program.

## Scope and Content

When this program began at Livingston Chancellor Elementary School in 2008, Dr. Ron Pastrana donated various examples of student artwork and essay letters for the UHCL Archives. These items were housed in the UHCL Archives Vertical File under the term "Scientist in Residence Program (Rhinebeck, NY)" by the year. Dr. Pastrana annually contributed student research essays, images, artwork, thank you letters, and program overview. These items were formally processed out of the Vertical File and into the Scientist in Residence Program Records after the 2011 donation and also includes addenda up to 2013.

## Index Terms:

Pastrana, Ronald  
Chancellor Livingston Elementary School  
Rhinebeck, NY  
Education—Space Science

## Arrangement:

Materials are organized into annual series with oversized artwork housed in the map case.

## Inventory

<u>Box</u>	<u>Folder</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>Dates</u>
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	2	Program Overview – Mill Road School	2006
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	11	First Grade Project	2009
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	17	First Grade Project	2010
	18	Student Response Letters and Images (Kindergarten & 5 <sup>th</sup> grade)	2010
	19	Student Response Letters and Images (4 <sup>th</sup> grade)	2010
	20	Student Research Essays	2010
OS-flat file		Student Artwork	
2		<b>2011</b>	
	1	Correspondence	2011
	2	Program Overview - Chancellor Livingston Elementary School	2011
	3	First Grade Project	2011
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	8	Program Overview – Chancellor Livingston Elementary School	2013
	9	Student Letters and Photographs (Kindergarten-5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	2013
	10	Student Essays and Reports (4 <sup>th</sup> and 5 <sup>th</sup> Grade)	2013
3	1	Student Projects (1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> Grade)	2013
	2	Student Projects (3 <sup>rd</sup> Grade)	2013
	3	Student Packet (objects include NASA photographs, cards, and other mementos)	2013