

**Emma L. Brock Collection**  
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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library
<b>Creator - Illustrator</b>	Brock, Emma Lillian, 1886-1974
<b>Title</b>	Emma L. Brock Collection
<b>Date</b>	1922-1929
<b>Extent</b>	1.5 Linear feet
<b>Language</b>	English

## Biography

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Emma Lillian Brock was born on June 11, 1886 in Fort Shaw, Montana. She graduated from the University of Minnesota with a bachelor's degree in 1908. Because of her interest in art, she also studied at the Minneapolis School of Art from 1910-1914 and the Art Students League in New York from 1917-1928. While studying art, she also worked as a librarian in the art department and children's rooms.

In 1929, Ms. Brock wrote and illustrated her first book titled *Runaway Sardine*. During her lifetime she wrote 36 books, almost all of which were published by Knopf. She liked to travel overseas, particularly to England and France, where many of her stories took place. Her book titled *Here Comes Kristie* (1942) was made into an NBC television special. Ms. Brock died on August 17, 1974.

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## Description of the Collection

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The collection consists of biographical material and 1 folder containing 9 sheets of original drawings done by Ms. Brock for the book *Memoirs of a London Doll*. The book was published in 1922, and written by Richard H. Horne. The drawings are done in ink on heavy stock. Some drawings contain handwritten notes regarding their placement or sizing in the printed work. One drawing is dated December 29, 1929. Some also note Ms. Brock's address on the rear as "33 Garden Place, Bklyn."

One drawing is a book plate reading "Minneapolis Public Library -- From the Edward M. and Effie R. Johnson Foundation Fund -- Given 1923" with a space for numbering the work.

The folio containing the work is labelled as "Gerhard Leerskov -- Minneapolis, Minnesota -- November 25, 1927."

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

James K. Hosmer Special Collections Library

## Related Materials

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### Related Materials

Two copies of the book *Memoirs of a London Doll* are in the Central Children's collection under the author's name, R.H. Horne. One of the copies is in the Milestones collection in the Children's Library at Minneapolis Central Library.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Occupation(s)

- Authors, American -- 20th century.
- Women authors, American -- 20th century.

### Subject(s)

- Authors, American -- Minnesota.
- Illustrators -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.
- Women illustrators -- Minnesota -- Minneapolis.

## Collection Inventory

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	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Clippings	1	1
Drawings for Memoirs of a London Doll 1922-1929	1	2