

UQFL416

Sean Williams and Shane Dix collection

Size	13 boxes
Contents	Drafts, research notes, correspondence and reader's reports
Biography	<p>Sean Williams was born in Whyalla, South Australia in 1967. He is a prolific science fiction writer with an international reputation. Author of over sixty published short stories and eighteen novels, including the Books of the Change and <i>The Resurrected Man</i>, his work has been published around the world in numerous languages and on-line. His novel <i>The Crooked Letter</i> was the first fantasy novel in the history of Australian speculative fiction to win both Ditmar and Aurealis Awards. He lives in Adelaide, where he served as Chair of the SA Writers' Centre from 2001-2003. From 1995-2004, he collaborated with Shane Dix to produce the Evergence and Orphans trilogies and three books in the <i>Star Wars: New Jedi Order</i> series. This collection focuses on the fruits of that collaboration.</p> <p>Shane Dix was born in 1960 in Wales. He has been writing since he was a teenager. He lives in Adelaide.</p>
Notes	<p>Open access</p> <p>Two related collections are held by the Fryer Library: UQFL414 (Sean Williams) and UQFL415 (Sean Williams and Simon Brown).</p>

Series A: The Unknown Soldier

This series includes drafts and notes for *The Unknown Soldier* published by Aphelion Publications in 1995. It has been nominated for an Aurealis Award and a Ditmar Award.

Folder 1

Draft of Part One, pre Shane Dix

Folder 2

Draft of Part Two, pre Shane Dix

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Draft of Part Three, pre Shane Dix

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Draft of Part Four, notes and chronology, pre Shane Dix
Notes on jargon, names, timeline, characters' names

Folder 5

Original manuscript

Folder 6

Late draft, page breaks marked by publisher, final changes by Williams and Dix, pp1-105

Folder 7

Late draft, page breaks marked by publisher, final changes by Williams and Dix, pp106-231

Bundle 8

Small page proofs, no marks, version unknown

Series B: Evergence

This series includes drafts, notes and other material related to the Evergence Series: *Prodigal Sun*, *Dying Light*, *Dark Imbalance*. *Prodigal Sun* was published by Ace Books in the United States in 1999 and by Harper Collins in Australia in 2000. *Dying Light* was published by Ace Books in the United States in 2000 and by Harper Collins in Australia in 2000. It won a Ditmar Award and was nominated for an Aurealis Award. *Dark Imbalance* was published by Ace Books in the United States in 2001 and by Harper Collins in Australia in 2001. It won an Aurealis Award.

Prodigal Sun**Folder 1**

Various versions of the prologue and glossary
Original pitch
Comparison between *Prodigal Sun* and *The Unknown Soldier*

Folder 2

Early draft, pp1-184

Folder 3

Early draft, pp185-374

Folder 4

Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, 1998, pp1-169

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Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, 1998, pp170-339

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Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, 1998, pp340-522

Folder 7

Later draft, 1999, pp1-190

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Later draft, 1999, pp191-380

Folder 9

Final page proofs, corrections by Williams

Dying Light**Folder 10**

Early drafts, chapters 1-3, pre Shane Dix

Folder 11

Early drafts, chapters 4-8, pre Shane Dix

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Appendices

Plot outline

Press releases regarding demise of Aphelion publications

Draft prologue

Other material

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Folder 14

Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp1-204

Folder 15

Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp205-410

Folder 16

Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp411-615

Folder 17

Final page proofs, corrections by Williams and Dix

Dark Imbalance**Folder 18**

Early drafts, chapters 1-13

Folder 19

Early drafts, chapters 14 to epilogue

Folder 20

Prologues, summaries and notes

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Early draft, pp1-130

Folder 22

Early draft, pp131-259

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Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp1-167

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Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp168-339

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Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp340-501

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Submission manuscript, edited by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp502-647

Folder 27

Final page proofs, marking by Dix

Series C: Orphans

This series includes drafts, research notes and other material related to the Orphans Series: *Echoes of Earth*, *Orphans of Earth* and *Heirs of Earth*. *Echoes of Earth* was published in 2002 by Ace Books in the United States and Harper Collins in Australia. It won a Ditmar Award and was nominated for an Aurealis Award. *Orphans of Earth* was published in 2003 by Ace Books in the United States and Harper Collins in Australia. It was nominated for both a Ditmar Award and an Aurealis Award. *Heirs of Earth* was published in 2004 by Ace Books in the United States and Harper Collins in Australia. It was nominated for an Aurealis Award.

Folder 1

Original proposal for Orphans Series

Echoes of Earth**Folder 2**

Research notes, maps, Ditmar Award certificate and reader's report

Folder 3

Incomplete first draft, opening chapters only, pre Shane Dix, editing by Williams

Folder 4

Early drafts of chapters, version one

Folder 5

Early drafts of chapters, version two

Folder 6

First draft, pre Shane Dix, pp1-139

Folder 7

First draft, pre Shane Dix, pp140-297

Folder 8

Second draft, post Shane Dix, editing by Williams, pp1-190

Folder 9

Second draft, post Shane Dix, editing by Williams, pp191-377 and appendix

Folder 10

Submission draft, editing by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp1-213

Folder 11

Submission draft, editing by Ace Books, corrections by Williams, pp214-426

Folder 12

Final page proofs, corrections by Williams and Dix

Orphans of Earth**Folder 13**

Research notes

Folder 14

Research notes

Folder 15

Early drafts

Folder 16

First draft, pre Shane Dix

Folder 17

Second draft, post Shane Dix

Folder 18

Final draft, wide format, editing by Williams

Folder 19

Submission draft, editing by Ace Books, pp1-221

Folder 20

Submission draft, editing by Ace Books, pp222-448

Folder 21

Final page proofs, corrections by Williams and Dix

Heirs of Earth**Folder 22**

Miscellaneous items including editing notes from Dix to Williams and some research notes

Folder 23

Early drafts

Folder 24

First draft, pre Shane Dix

Folder 25

Second draft, post Shane Dix, pp1-154

Folder 26

Second draft, post Shane Dix, pp155-313

Folder 27

Submission draft, editing by Ace Books, pp1-200

Folder 28

Submission draft, editing by Ace Books, pp201-433

Series D: Star Wars: New Jedi Order

This series includes drafts and reader's comments for the Star Wars: New Jedi Order Series: *Force Heretic: Remnant*, *Force Heretic: Refugee*, *Force Heretic: Reunion*. All three titles in this series were published by Del Rey in the United States in 2003. All three titles have made the bestsellers' list of the *New York Times*.

Force Heretic: Remnant**Folder 1**

Reader's comments and notes

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First draft, pp1-117

Folder 3

First draft, pp118-267

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Fourth draft, pp1-213

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Fourth draft, pp214-411

Folder 6

Final page proofs with corrections, pp1-199

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Final page proofs with corrections, pp200-416

Force Heretic: Refugee

Folder 8

Reader's comments

Folder 9

First draft

Folder 10

Submission draft with editorial marks, pp1-224

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Submission draft with editorial marks, pp225-454

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Final page proofs with corrections, pp1-208

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Final page proofs with corrections, pp209-418

Force Heretic: Reunion

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Reader's comments and notes

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First draft

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Fourth draft, pp1-219

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Fourth draft, pp220-445

Folder 18

Final page proofs with corrections, pp1-204

Folder 19

Final page proofs with corrections, pp205-414

Series E: Short Stories

This series includes drafts for short stories written by Williams and Dix.

Folder 1

'Hollow Men', as 'Real to Reel', first draft, Williams only, 1998

'Hollow Men', as 'Real to Reel', second draft, with Shane Dix, 1998

'Or Die Trying', original text as cut from *Star Wars: New Jedi Order: Force Heretic 2: Refugee*, 2004

Series F: Correspondence and Book Covers

This series includes correspondence from the publishers and correspondence between Williams and Dix as well as book covers.

Folder 1

Correspondence

Book Covers

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