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Collection Overview

Title: Selections from IMA Registration Historical Files, 1866-1996, n.d.

Collection ID: REG001

Primary Creator: Indianapolis Museum of Art

Extent: 1.33 linear feet

Arrangement: This collection is arranged alphabetically by creator.

Date Acquired: Various

Languages: English, French, German, Italian

Scope and Contents of the Materials

Selections from the Indianapolis Museum of Art (IMA) Registration Historical Files include correspondence, sketches, and photographs that document the provenance and/or acquisition of artwork into the museum's permanent collection. Many of these items contain original signatures of notable artists and patrons of the art, such as Garo Antreasian, Alexander Archipenko, Thomas Hart Benton, William Merritt Chase, Jacques Cousteau, William J. Forsyth, Marie Goth, Edward Hopper, Robert Indiana, Henry Inman, Kathe Kollwitz, Georgia O'Keeffe, Erwin Panofsky, James Whitcomb Riley, Olive Rush, Eugene F. Savage, T.C. Steele, Alfred Stieglitz, Booth Tarkington, and Mark Twain.

These selections were separated from the IMA Registration Department's active Historical Files for preservation and security reasons, forming this artificial collection. When possible, the IMA accession number or temporary registration (TR) number for a document's corresponding artwork has been included in the folder title. The first folder of this collection contains two 1978 inventories of the "Archival Letter File," which was the earliest iteration of this artificial collection--one indexed by accession number and the other indexed by artist name. It has grown since these first inventories were created.
Historical Note

These selections from the Indianapolis Museum of Art Registration Files were received by the museum at various points since the establishment of the Art Association of Indianapolis in 1883. They document the provenance and/or acquisition of items in the IMA’s permanent collection of artwork. Originally stored in the Registration Department Historical Files, these selections were determined to be of significant value or in a fragile enough condition to merit removal for continued preservation and security. Description of these items is now managed by the IMA Archives, while researcher access is managed by Registration.

Subject/Index Terms

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Dalí, Salvador, 1904-1989,
Dance, Nathaniel, Sir, 1735-1811,
De Chirico, Giorgio, 1888-1978,
De Tolvey, Charles, 1899-1981,
Dove, Arthur Garfield, 1880-1946,
Duck, Jakob, approximately 1600-approximately 1660,
Gower, George, approximately 1540-1596,
Gresham, Walter Quintin, 1832-1895,
Hopper, Edward, 1882-1967,
Ingres, Jean-Auguste-Dominique, 1780-1867,
Jacque, Charles Emile, 1813-1894,
Joni, Icilio Federico,
Katsushika, Hokusai, 1760-1849,
Loth, Johann Carl, 1632-1698,
Moran, Edward, 1829-1901,
Murer, Christoph, 1558-1614,
O’Keeffe, Georgia, 1887-1986,
Pène du Bois, Guy, 1884-1958,
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Roos, Johann Heinrich, 1631-1685,
Sargent, John Singer, 1856-1925,
Stuart, Gilbert, 1755-1828,
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Turner, J. M. W. (Joseph Mallord William), 1775-1851,
Wang, Meng, 1308-1385,
Whistler, James McNeill, 1834-1903
Creators:
Indianapolis Museum of Art,
Brinker, Helmut, 1939-2012,
Forsyth, William, 1854-1935,
Lambdin, George Cochran, 1830-1896,
Smith, David, 1906-1965,
Souza, Al, 1944-,
Antreasian, Garo Z., 1922-,
Archipenko, Alexander, 1887-1964,
Arslan, Edoardo,
Art Association of Indianapolis, Indiana,
Ashby, Paul W.,
Baker, Ida Strawn, 1876-,
Bard, Joellen,
Beal, Gifford, 1879-1956,
Bellows, George, 1882-1925,
Benton, Thomas Hart, 1889-1975,
Bernt, Walther,
Bettiol, Zoravia, 1935-,
Betts, Louis,
Blumenschein, E. L. (Ernest Leonard), 1874-1960,
Bolotowsky, Ilya, 1907-1981,
Brejon de Lavergnée, Arnauld,
Burchfield, Charles, 1893-1967,
Chase, William Merritt, 1849-1916,
Coats, Randolph L.,
Cousteau, Jacques, 1910-1997,
Deem, George, 1932-2008,
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Estes, Richard, 1932-,
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Hassam, Childe, 1859-1935,
Held, Julius S. (Julius Samuel), 1905-2002,
Henri, Robert, 1865-1929,
Henshaw, Glen Cooper, 1885-1946,
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Indiana, Robert, 1928-,
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John Herron Art Institute,
Kohn, Misch, 1916-,
Kollwitz, Käthe, 1867-1945,
Laufman, Sidney, 1891-,  
Laurent, Robert, 1890-1970,  
Lissim, Simon, 1900-1981,  
Locker, Thomas, 1937-2012,  
MacGinnis, Henry Ryan, 1875-1962,  
Manship, Paul, 1885-1966,  
McGarrell, James, 1930-,  
Mount, Charles Merrill,  
National Portrait Gallery (Smithsonian Institution),  
O’Keeffe, Georgia, 1887-1986,  
Pallucchini, Rodolfo, 1908-1989,  
Panofsky, Erwin, 1892-1968,  
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Pittman, Hobson Lafayette, 1899 or 1900-1972,  
Rapoport, Sonya,  
Reed, Doel, 1894-1985,  
Riley, James Whitcomb, 1849-1916,  
Rosenthal, Tony, 1914-2009,  
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Savage, Eugene Francis, 1883-1978,  
Scherrer, Anton, 1878-1960,  
Sharp, Joseph Henry, 1859-1953,  
Shechter, Laura, 1944-,  
Stechow, Wolfgang, 1896-1974,  
Steele, T. C. (Theodore Clement), 1847-1926,  
Stein, Walter, 1924-,  
Stieglitz, Alfred, 1864-1946,  
Szyszlo, Fernando de,  
Tarkington, Booth, 1869-1946,  
Twain, Mark, 1835-1910,  
Venturi, Lionello, 1885-1961,  
Vickrey, Robert, 1926-2011,  
Von Wicht, John, 1888-1970,  
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Wheeler, Clifton A., 1883-1953,  
Whorf, John, 1903-1959

**Forms of Material:**
correspondence,  
exhibition catalogs,  
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Administrative Information

Repository: Indianapolis Museum of Art Archives

Alternate Extent Statement: 3 boxes

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Acquisition Method: Transfer

Accruals/Additions: This collection will be added to as additional items in the Registration Historical Files are identified for special preservation and storage.

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