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Dankmar Adler papers

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Dankmar Adler papers
Date:	1865-1900
Identifier:	AAA.adledank
Creator:	Adler, Dankmar, 1844-1900
Extent:	1 Microfilm reel (38 items on partial microfilm reel)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The Newberry Library gave the Archives of American Art electrostatic copies of the Dankmar Adler papers. The copies were microfilmed by the Archives of American Art and discarded. The Newberry Library retains the original documents, which were a gift to them from the architect's granddaughter, Mrs. Irving D. Saltzstein.

Related Materials

The Newberry Library holds the Dankmar Adler papers, 1857-1984. Ryerson and Burnham Archives, The Art Institute of Chicago holds the Dankmar Adler (1844-1900) Collection, 1844-2017. The American Jewish Archives, Cincinnati, Ohio holds the Dankmar Adler papers, 1862-1865; Dankmar Adler papers, 1902, undated; Dankmar Adler autobiography and correspondence, 1888-1912; and the Dankmar Adler nearprint.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reel 1122 available for use at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

Citation

Dankmar Adler papers, 1865-1900. Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution.

Restrictions

Patrons must use microfilm copy.

Biographical / Historical

Dankmar Adler (1844-1900) was a German-born American architect and engineer in Chicago, Illinois. Adler worked with Augustus Bauer, Ozias S. Kinney, and Edward Burling, but he is best known for his partnership with Louis Sullivan from 1880 until the mid 1890s. In his various partnerships, Adler was instrumental in rebuilding much of Chicago following the Great Chicago Fire in 1871 and he is considered a leader in the Chicago school of architecture.

Scope and Contents

The microfilm collection of the Dankmar Adler papers contains an autobiographical sketch; 29 letters from Adler to his family during an 1888 trip to Europe and from the American Institute of Architects convention in Boston in 1891; letters received by Adler; an oration given by Emil Hirsch at Adler's funeral; clippings; and Army documents.

Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Chicago school of architecture (Movement)

Names:

Hirsch, Emil Gustav, 1851-1923

Sullivan, Louis H., 1856-1924

Occupations:

Architects -- Illinois -- Chicago

Engineers -- Illinois -- Chicago

Container Listing

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Reel 1122, Frame
1112-1293

Autobiographical Sketch, Correspondence, and Clippings

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