A Finding Aid to the Alexander Brook Papers in the Archives of American Art

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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives of American Art
Title: Alexander Brook papers
Identifier: AAA.brooalex
Date: 1900-1982
Extent: 4.3 Linear feet
Creator: Brook, Alexander, 1898-1980
Language: English
The collection is in English.
Summary: The papers of painter Alexander Brook measure 4.3 linear feet and date from 1900-1982. Found within the papers are biographical material; personal and professional correspondence; writings; personal business records; printed material; scrapbooks; artwork; and photographs of Brook, his family and friends, and his work.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information
The bulk of the papers were donated in several accretions by his Brook's wife, Gina Knee Brook, from 1981 to 1982. In 1982, she loaned a scrapbook for microfilming, which was later donated to the archives by Brook's son, Sandy Brook, in 1994. In 1985 and 1986, the Whitney Museum and Eloise Spaeth each donated a copy of Brook's typescript "Myself and Others."

Separated Materials
The photocopied typescript, "Myself and Others," was microfilmed upon receipt and is available on reel 3928.

Related Materials
The Archives of American Art holds an oral history interview with Alexander Brook conducted by Paul Cummings, July 7-8, 1977. There is also substantial correspondence from Alexander Brook in the Peggy Bacon papers.

Available Formats
The scrapbook in this collection is available on 35 mm microfilm reel 2435 at the Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.
Processing Information

The collection received a preliminary level of processing upon receipt of material, at which time extraneous periodicals were disposed of. The scrapbook originally loaned and later gifted to the archives was microfilmed onto reel 2435. The photocopy of the unpublished typescript, "Myself and Others," was microfilmed onto reel 3928 and disposed of. The collection was fully processed and described by Judy Ng in 2013 with funding provided by the Terra Foundation for American Art.

Preferred Citation


Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C. Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Conditions Governing Use

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Biographical / Historical

Alexander Brook (1898-1980) was a painter and art instructor who lived and worked in Woodstock, Sag Harbor, and New York City, New York, and Savannah, Georgia.

Brook was born in Brooklyn, New York to Russian immigrants Eudoxia Gelescu and Onufri Brook. After contracting polio at the age of twelve, he remained bed-ridden for a year and his formal schooling was suspended. At this time, he began to show an interest in art and began receiving his first lessons in painting. In 1914, he enrolled in the Art Students League where he won scholarships and cultivated friendships with other art students, including Louis Bouché, Niles Spencer, and Peggy Bacon, whom he married in 1920.

Brook and Bacon's two children, Belinda and Alexander Bacon Brook, were born in 1920 and 1922, and the couple divided their time between a summer house in Woodstock and a series of apartments in New York City. Their circle of artist friends included the Bouchés, Niles Spencer, Yasuo Kuniyoshi, Andrew Dasburg, and many of the other artists who lived and worked in Woodstock. Brook and Bacon continued to produce art, with Brook focusing on his painting, and Bacon publishing her illustrations and prints in nationally syndicated magazines.

In the 1920s, Brook also wrote articles for The Arts and caught the attention of Gertrude Vanderbilt Whitney. She invited him to promote and organize exhibits for her Whitney Studio Club, and from 1923 to 1927, he worked as assistant director of the Club, which was later to become the Whitney Museum of Art. By the late 1920s, Brook's realist paintings of landscapes, still lifes, and posed figures of women were gaining wide recognition and he was given his first retrospective at the Art Institute of Chicago in 1929, at the age of thirty-one. In the early 1930s, within the span of three years, Brook exhibited one man shows at the ACA, Valentine, Charles Daniel, and Downtown Galleries in New York City, and received a Guggenheim Fellowship in 1931.
In 1938, Brook moved to Savannah, Georgia and began visiting and painting realist scenes based on visits to the city's oldest black neighborhoods. When Brook's marriage with Bacon ended in 1940, he continued to live in Savannah with his second wife, Libby Berger. After his second marriage ended, he returned to New York in 1942 to teach at the Art Students League and, during World War II, served as a correspondent and artist for the Army based out of Panama.

In 1944, Brook returned to Savannah with his third wife, the artist Gina Knee Brook. Through the mid-1940s, Brook continued to exhibit his works, primarily through the Rehn Gallery, contributed articles and essays to art journals, and was commissioned to paint two covers for the Saturday Evening Post. In 1948, the Brooks purchased and moved to their last home in Sag Harbor, Long Island. Believing realist work was no longer well received in critical and contemporary art circles, Brook slowly retreated from the art world, exhibiting his last solo show at Knoedler Galleries in 1952, and retiring from painting in 1966. Brook died on February 26, 1980.

Scope and Contents

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Biographical materials include an address book, award certificates, curriculum vitae, marriage and divorce documents, passports, biographical information on Brook's wife, Gina Knee Brook, and 4 interview transcripts.

Correspondence is primarily with Brook's family, friends, fellow artists, and business associates discussing personal relationships, teaching opportunities, art sales, and exhibitions. Included in this series are letters to Brook's second wife, Gina Knee Brook. Additional correspondents include Brook's children, Belinda and Sandy (Alexander) Brook, Peggy Bacon, artists Niles Spencer and George Biddle, and writer Haniel Long.

Writings by Brook consist of reminiscences, 6 essays, a lecture, a memorium to Catherine Brett, 6 short stories, 2 notebooks, and miscellaneous notes. Writings by others consist of a notebook by Mrs. Beeton containing humorous recipes, an essay, 2 memoirs, poetry, and a short story from unknown authors.

Personal business records include sales invoices, tax returns noting income from sales of artwork, and receipts for various art supplies.

Printed material includes brochures, chapbooks, clippings, city guides, exhibition announcements and catalogs, periodicals, and miscellaneous printed material.

There are two scrapbooks, a clippings scrapbook titled Unstruggling Artist, and an untitled scrapbook containing clippings and interspersed with correspondence, catalogs, and photographs.

Artwork consists of ink, pencil, and pen sketches; etchings and 2 etching plates; mixed media illustrations; and watercolors by unknown artists. There are also 9 sketchbooks, most likely by Alexander Brook, and a drawing by Miguel Covarrubius.

Photographs are of people, exhibition installations, and works of art. These include childhood photos of Alexander Brook and Gina Knee Brook, photos of the Brooks together in Savannah, Georgia and Sag Harbor, Long Island, as well as photos of Alexander Brook with friends, an artist model, at home, and in various studios. There are also photos of Peggy Bacon, Louis Bouché, Niles Spencer, and Jackson Pollock. Exhibition installations include a show at the Carnegie Institution and unidentified one man shows.
Arrangement

The collection is arranged as 8 series.

- Series 1: Biographical Materials, 1907-1979 (14 folders; Box 1)
- Series 2: Correspondence, circa 1930-1975 (0.6 linear feet; Box 1)
- Series 3: Writings, circa 1921-1975 (0.5 linear feet; Box 1-2)
- Series 4: Personal Business Records, circa 1931-1982 (0.3 linear feet; Box 2)
- Series 5: Printed Material, 1918-1982 (1.4 linear feet; Box 2-3)
- Series 6: Scrapbooks, circa 1935-1975 (0.4 linear feet; Box 3, 5)
- Series 7: Artwork, circa 1935-1975 (0.4 linear feet; Box 4)
- Series 8: Photographs, circa 1900-1980 (0.6 linear feet; Box 4)

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
- Painters -- New York (State) -- New York
- Painting, Modern -- 20th century -- New York (State) -- New York
- Post-impressionism (Art) -- United States -- New York (State) -- New York

Types of Materials:
- Etchings
- Illustrations
- Interviews
- Photographs
- Scrapbooks
- Sketchbooks
- Sketches
- Transcriptions
- Watercolors

Names:
- Bacon, Peggy, 1895-1987
- Biddle, George, 1885-1973
- Bouché, Louis, 1896-1969
- Brett, Catherine
- Covarrubias, Miguel, 1904-1957
- Knee, Gina, 1898-1982
- Pollock, Jackson, 1912-1956
- Spencer, Niles, 1893-1952
Container Listing

Series 1: Biographical Materials, 1907-1979

14 Folders (Box 1)

Biographical materials include an address book, award certificates, curriculum vitae, marriage and divorce documents, passports, biographical information on Brook's wife, Gina Knee Brook, and 4 interview transcripts. There are also a handful of documents from other Brook family members, Alexander Brook's fingerprints and driver's license, a kidney stone, and a war ration book dating from World War II.

Materials are arranged by document type. Interviews are filed in chronological order.

Box 1, Folder 1        Address Book, circa 1940-1970
Box 1, Folder 2        Awards, 1949-1979
Box 1, Folder 3        Curriculum Vitae, 1955-1957
Box 1, Folder 4        Family Certificates and Letter, circa 1935-1975
Box 1, Folder 5        Fingerprints and Registration, 1943-1948
Box 1, Folder 6        Kidney Stone, circa 1950-1975
Box 1, Folder 7        Legal Contracts, 1922-1949
Box 1, Folder 8        Passports, 1931-1952
Box 1, Folder 9        War Ration Book, circa 1943
Box 1, Folder 10       Gina Knee Brook, Certificate and Reports, 1907, 1975
Box 1, Folder 11       Interview with Radio Show, 1934
Box 1, Folder 12       Interview with Unidentified Interviewer, circa 1938
Box 1, Folder 13       Interview with Del Hester and Ethel Grey, 1946
Box 1, Folder 14       Interview with Unidentified Interviewer, 1979

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Series 2: Correspondence, circa 1930-1975

0.6 Linear feet (Box 1)

Correspondence is primarily with Brook's family, friends, fellow artists, and business associates discussing personal relationships, teaching opportunities, art sales, and exhibitions. Included in this series are letters addressed directly to Brook's second wife, Gina Knee Brook. Correspondents of note include Brook's children, Belinda and Sandy (Alexander) Brook, his wife from his first marriage, Peggy Bacon, the artists Niles Spencer, and George Biddle, and the writer Haniel Long.

This series also includes letters from Theodore Roosevelt, Katharine Hepburn, Abraham Walkowitz, and Eloise Spaeth; letters forwarded by the Saturday Evening Post from readers responding to Brook's cover artwork for the magazine in 1945 and 1946; correspondence from students at the Brett School, which was founded by Brook's friend Catherine Brett; and letters in Spanish from friends in Spain.

All correspondence is arranged alphabetically by correspondent, followed by letters from Spain, and unidentified, illegible, and unsigned letters.

Box 1, Folder 15            A Miscellaneous, circa 1930-1975
Box 1, Folder 16            American Academy of Arts and Letters, 1968-1978
Box 1, Folder 17            Archives of American Art, 1967-1976
Box 1, Folder 18            B Miscellaneous, circa 1930-1975
Box 1, Folder 19            Bacon, Peggy Brook, 1937-1976
Box 1, Folder 20            Brett School, 1950-1964
Box 1, Folder 21            Brook, Alexander, circa 1930-1975
Box 1, Folder 22            Brook, Belinda, 1947-1968
Box 1, Folder 23            Brook, Gina Knee, 1944-1968
Box 1, Folder 24            Brook, Sandy, 1941-1978
Box 1, Folder 25            Butler Institute of American Art, 1974-1975
Box 1, Folder 26            C Miscellaneous, circa 1930-1975
Box 1, Folder 27            Choate School, 1936-1937
Box 1, Folder 28            D Miscellaneous, circa 1930-1975
Box 1, Folder 29            Dayton Art Institute, 1936
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Box 1, Folder 52  Letters from Spain, 1955-1968
Box 1, Folder 53  Unknown and Illegible, circa 1930-1975
### Series 3: Writings, circa 1921-1975

**0.5 Linear feet (Box 1-2)**

Writings by Brook consist of reminiscence vignettes, portions of which comprise chapters in his memoir, "Myself and Others." There are also 6 essays on art criticism, Alexander Calder, and personal philosophies on art; a lecture; a memorium to Catherine Brett, the founder of the Brett School; 6 short stories; 2 notebooks of writing fragments; and miscellaneous notes.

Writings by others consist of a notebook by Mrs. Beeton containing humorous recipes, an essay, 2 memoirs, poetry, and a short story from unknown authors.

Materials are arranged by document type.

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**By Others**

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0.3 Linear feet (Box 2)

Personal business records include sales invoices, tax returns noting income from sales of artwork, and receipts for various art supplies. Notes on sales purchasers and prices; 2 checkbook registers of outgoing expenses; and correspondence consisting of price lists and sales invoices from art galleries, including the Downtown and Rehn Galleries are included in this series.

Items are arranged chronologically by document type.

Box 2, Folder 10       Invoices, Tax Returns, and Receipts, circa 1930-1975
Box 2, Folder 11-15    Invoices, Tax Returns, and Receipts, 1931-1952
Box 2, Folder 16-20    Invoices, Tax Returns, and Receipts, 1953-1974
Box 2, Folder 21       Price Lists, 1949-1982

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Series 5: Printed Material, 1918-1982

1.4 Linear feet (Box 2-3)

Printed material includes brochures, chapbooks, clippings, city guides for the cities of Charleston and Savannah, exhibition announcements and catalogs, art related periodicals, and miscellaneous printed material.

The cover design of the book *Toward the Western Sky* is by Gina Knee Brook.

Materials are arranged by document type.

Box 2, Folder 22  Book, *Gallery of Living Art*, 1933

Box 2, Folder 23  Book, Holter, Sage, *This, My Earth*, 1942

Box 2, Folder 24  Book, Houvet, Etienne, *Illustrated Monograph of Chartres Cathedral*, 1928

Box 2, Folder 25  Book, Riggs, Lynn, *Toward the Western Sky* (play), 1951

Box 2, Folder 26  Brochures, 1930-1953

Box 2, Folder 27  Bulletins, 1939-1956

Box 2, Folder 28  Chapbooks, 1940, 1944

Box 2, Folder 29  Clippings, circa 1927-1975

Box 2, Folder 30-34  Clippings, 1922-1935

Box 2, Folder 35-39  Clippings, 1936-1946

Box 2, Folder 40-45  Clippings, 1947-1982

Box 2, Folder 46  City Guides, Charleston and Savannah, circa 1940s

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Box 3, Folder 1-5  Exhibition Announcements and Catalogs, 1932-1943

Box 3, Folder 6-10  Exhibition Announcements and Catalogs, 1944-1982

Box 3, Folder 11-12  Exhibition Announcements and Catalogs, Gina Knee Brook, 1931-1964

Box 3, Folder 13  Exhibition Announcements, Other Artists, 1943-1982
Box 3, Folder 14  Exhibition Catalogs, Other Artists, 1935-1944, 1918
Box 3, Folder 15-17 Exhibition Catalogs, Other Artists, 1945-1979
Box 3, Folder 18 Greeting Cards and Postcards, circa 1940-1975
Box 3, Folder 19 Periodical, '47 The Magazine of the Year, 1947
Box 3, Folder 20 Periodical, Art News, 1930-1935
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Box 3, Folder 22 Periodical, Arts, 1924, 1927
Box 3, Folder 26 Periodical, Horse Fly, 1938-1941
Box 3, Folder 27 Periodical, Hue and Cry, 1925
Box 3, Folder 28 Periodical, Little Review, 1923-1924
Box 3, Folder 29 Periodical, News from the Art World, 1959
Box 3, Folder 30 Periodical, Survey Graphic, 1948
Box 3, Folder 31 Miscellaneous Printed Material, circa 1930-1975

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Series 6: Scrapbooks, circa 1935-1975

0.4 Linear feet (Box 3, 5)

There are two scrapbooks, a clippings scrapbook titled *Unstruggling Artist*, and anuntitled scrapbook containing clippings and interspersed with correspondence, catalogs, and photographs.

Both scrapbooks were gifted to Alexander Brook. *Unstruggling Artist* was designed by G. Alan Chidsey and is comprised of a 1936 article appearing in *Esquire* magazine. The untitled scrapbook documents Brook’s midcareer up to 1946 and includes additional loose material dating from circa 1946-1976. These materials include professional certificates, cards, correspondence, lists, notes, clippings, and 14 oversize photographs of Alexander Brook, Gina Knee Brook, and a work of art.

Materials are arranged by item title.

Box 3, Folder 32  *Unstruggling Artist*, 1936

Box 5  Untitled Scrapbook, circa 1930-1976

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Series 7: Artwork, circa 1935-1975

0.4 Linear feet (Box 4)

Artwork consists of ink, pencil, and pen sketches; etchings and 2 etching plates; mixed media illustrations; and watercolors by unknown artists. The sketches include children's illustration, jewelry designs, southwestern landscapes, and portraits and characters. The etching plates are figures of women, and the etchings are of groups of figures. The mixed media children's illustrations likely go with the manuscript "Fish Bowl Mystery." There are also 9 sketchbooks that include figures, portraits, landscapes, and animals, most likely by Alexander Brook, and a drawing by Miguel Covarrubius.

Artwork is arranged by artist and media type.

Box 4, Folder 1  Covarrubius, Miguel, Caricature of Alexander Brook, circa 1935-1975

Box 4  Unknown Artist

Box 4, Folder 2  Drawings, Children's Illustration, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 3  Drawings, Jewelry Design, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 4  Drawings, Landscapes, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 5  Drawings, Portraits and Caricatures, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 6  Etching Plates, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 7  Etchings, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 8  Mixed Media, Children's Illustration, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 9  Watercolors, New Mexico, circa 1935-1975

Box 4  Likely by Alexander Brook

Box 4, Folder 10-14  Sketchbooks, circa 1935-1975

Box 4, Folder 15-16  Sketchbooks, circa 1935-1975
Series 8: Photographs, circa 1900-1980

0.6 Linear feet (Box 4)

Photographs are of people, exhibition installations, and works of art. These include childhood photos of Alexander Brook and Gina Knee Brook, photos of the Brooks together in Savannah, Georgia and Sag Harbor, Long Island, as well as photos of Alexander Brook with friends, an artist model, at home, and in various studios. Within the photos of Alexander Brook are two series of the artist in his studio, one shot by Peter Stackpole in 1943, and one shot by Gabriel Benzur in 1946. The photographs of Alexander Brook posing with an artist model were taken by Hans Namuth in 1980.

There are also photos of the Brook's extended family, his car, travel to the southwest, and the artists Peggy Bacon, Louis Bouché, Niles Spencer, and Jackson Pollock. Exhibition installations include a show at the Carnegie Institution and unidentified one man shows. There are additional oversize photos found in the untitled scrapbook in the Scrapbook series.

Items are arranged by subject and material type.

Box 4, Folder 17-19  Photographs of Alexander Brook, 1910-1980
Box 4, Folder 20  Contact Sheets of Alexander Brook, circa 1940-1975
Box 4, Folder 21  Photographs of Alexander Brook and Gina Knee Brook, circa 1945-1980
Box 4, Folder 22  Photographs of Alexander Brook with Jackson Pollock, 1934
Box 4, Folder 23  Photographs of Alexander Brook, Louis Bouché, and Niles Spencer, circa 1940s
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Box 4, Folder 27  Photograph of Peggy Bacon, circa 1920
Box 4, Folder 28  Photographs of Brook Family, circa 1900-1960
Box 4, Folder 29  Photographs of Friends, circa 1910-1976
Box 4, Folder 30  Photographs of Brook, Knee, and Spencer Houses, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 31  Photographs of Car, circa 1958-1965
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Box 4, Folder 33  Photographs of Works of Art, On Display, circa 1940-1975
Box 4, Folder 34  Photographs of Works of Art, Sketches, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 35  Photographs of Works of Art, Abstracts, circa 1920-1975
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Box 4, Folder 38  Photographs of Works of Art, New Mexico, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 39  Photographs of Works of Art, Still Lifes, circa 1920-1975
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Box 4, Folder 41  Photographs of Works of Art, Men, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 42  Photographs of Works of Art, Women, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 43  Photographs of Works of Art, Women, Half Dressed, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 44  Photographs of Works of Art, Women, Nudes, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 45  Photographs of Works of Art, Women, Portraits, circa 1920-1975
Box 4, Folder 46  Photographs of Works of Art, By Others, circa 1920-1975

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