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on Thomas Ball and William Couper

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Greta Elena Couper research material on Thomas Ball and William Couper
Date:	circa 1850-1988
Identifier:	AAA.coupgret
Creator:	Couper, Greta Elena
Extent:	0.9 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1988 and 2014 by Greta Couper, the great-great-granddaughter of Thomas Ball and the great-granddaughter of William Couper.

Available Formats

Couper's letters and clippings are photocopies.

Reproduction Note

Photocopies: Originals in possession of Monroe Couper, Waynesborough, Virginia, or the Virginia Historical Society, Richmond, Virginia.

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.

Biographical / Historical

Greta Couper is a writer and art historian in Los Angeles, California.

Scope and Contents

Photographs, correspondence, printed material and a handwritten music score sheet relating to artists Thomas Ball and his son-in-law William Couper, compiled by Greta Couper for publications about Ball and Couper.

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The majority of the collection is photographs of works of art by Thomas Ball and William Couper, including a CD of images. Additional photographs are of Ball, Couper, and family. Also included are copies of correspondence by William Couper and indexes and printed material relating to Ball and Couper compiled by Greta Couper, and a handwritten music score sheet by Thomas Ball.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Sculpture, American
Women art historians

Names:

Ball, Thomas, 1819-1911
Couper, William, 1853-1942

Occupations:

Art historians -- California -- Los Angeles