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## A Finding Aid to the Frederick B. Duncan Scrapbook on Marshall D. Smith, 1944-circa 1990s

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Frederick B. Duncan scrapbook on Marshall D. Smith
<b>Date:</b>	1944-circa 1990s
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.duncfred
<b>Creator:</b>	Duncan, Frederick B., d. 1974
<b>Extent:</b>	0.2 Linear feet
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	Compiled by Frederick Duncan, this dismantled scrapbook contains eighty pen and ink letters in the form of captioned cartoons by the Chicago painter Marshall D. Smith to Duncan. The art works illustrate the events of their friendship, Duncan's growing family, boats, and the city of Chicago. Included is a typescript by Duncan describing his friendship with Smith and the context of specific cartoons. Also found are an additional seven cartoons and one Christmas card that were not included in the scrapbook. Photographs depict paintings by Smith owned by Duncan.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated 1996 by John O. Duncan, son of Frederick B. Duncan.

### Processing Information

The collection was processed, and a finding aid prepared by Jayna Josefson in 2022.

### Preferred Citation

Frederick B. Duncan scrapbook on Marshall D. Smith, 1944-circa 1990s. Archives of American Art, Smithsonian Institution.

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## Biographical / Historical

Marshall D. Smith (1874-1973) was a Chicago painter and friend of Frederick B. Duncan.

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## Scope and Contents

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## Arrangement

Due to the small size of this collection the papers are arranged as one series.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Types of Materials:

Drawings  
Scrapbooks

Names:

Smith, Marshall D.

Occupations:

Cartoonists  
Painters -- Illinois -- Chicago

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## Container Listing

### Series 1: Scrapbook of Marshall D. Smith Cartoons, 1944-circa 1990s

#### 0.2 Linear feet (Box 1)

Scope and Contents: Found is a dismantled scrapbook of eighty cartoons drawn by Marshall D. Smith and a typescript by Duncan describing his relationship with Smith. Also found are an additional seven cartoons and a holiday card likely by Smith; a note written by Frederick Duncan giving further context to specific cartoons; empty envelopes; and photographs of works of art by Smith owned by Duncan.

Box 1, Folder 1	<a href="#">Scrapbook, 1944-1966</a>
Box 1, Folder 2	<a href="#">Artwork, Not Included in Scrapbook, 1944-1966</a>
Box 1, Folder 3	<a href="#">Envelopes, Illustrated, 1945</a>
Box 1, Folder 4	<a href="#">Notes, circa 1966</a>
Box 1, Folder 5	<a href="#">Photographs, Works of Art, circa 1990s</a>

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