

# A Finding Aid to the Jeannette Eckman Papers, 1935-1941, in the Archives of American Art

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#### **Collection Overview**

Repository: Archives of American Art

Title: Jeannette Eckman papers

**Date:** 1935-1941

**Identifier:** AAA.eckmjean

Creator: Eckman, Jeannette

**Extent:** 0.2 Linear feet

Language: English .

**Summary:** The papers of author and historian Jeannette Eckman measure 0.2

linear feet and date from 1935 to 1941. Eckman's papers focus on her time as a director for the Works Project Administration and include records relating to the Federal Art Project, the Federal Music Project, the Federal Writers' Project, the Federal Theater Project, and the

Historical Records Survey in Delaware.

#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Acquisition Information**

Donated 1963 by Jeannette Eckman.

#### **Available Formats**

The collection is available on 35mm microfilm reel NDA 15 at Archives of American Art offices. Researchers should note that the arrangement of the material described in the container inventory does not reflect the arrangement of the collection on microfilm.

#### **Processing Information**

The papers were microfilmed after receipt on Reel NDA 15. The collection was processed, and a finding aid prepared by Jayna Josefson in 2023 with support from the Smithsonian American Women's History Initiative.

#### Preferred Citation

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#### Restrictions

This collection is open for research. Access to original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C. Research Center.

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## **Biographical / Historical**

Jeannette Eckman (1882-1972) was the a self-taught historian and author in Wilmington, Delaware. She served as a director for the Work Projects Administration and oversaw art, music, theater, and writing projects for the Delaware Federal Arts Project.

## **Scope and Contents**

The papers of author and historian Jeannette Eckman measure 0.2 linear feet and date from 1935 to 1941. Eckman's papers focus on her time as a director for the Works Project Administration and include records relating to the Federal Art Project, the Federal Music Project, the Federal Writers' Project, the Federal Theater Project, and the Historical Records Survey in Delaware.

# Arrangement

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

# Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Federal aid to the arts -- Delaware

Names:

Delaware Historical Records Survey Federal Art Project (Del.) Federal Music Project (Del.) Federal Theater Project (Del.) Federal Writers' Project (Del.)

#### Occupations:

Authors -- Delaware -- Wilmington Historians -- Delaware -- Wilmington

# **Container Listing**

# Series 1: Jeannette Eckman papers, 1935-1941

0.2 Linear feet (Box 1)

Scope and Contents:

Found are records from the national Works Progress Administration and the Federal Arts Project within Delaware. Included are budget and personnel records, a Director's report, and Delaware Writers' Project materials. Material is scattered and may relate to projects including the Federal Art Project, the Federal Music Project, the Federal Writers' Project, the Federal Theater Project, and the Historical Records Survey in Delaware.

Box 1, Folder 1	Federal Works Agency, Works Progress Administration, General, 1940-1941
Box 1, Folder 2	Works Progress Administration, Delaware, 1935-1940
Box 1, Folder 3	Works Progress Administration, Delaware, Budget and Personnel, 1935-1940
Box 1, Folder 4	Works Progress Administration, Delaware, Director's Report, 1939
Box 1, Folder 5	Works Progress Administration, Delaware, Writer's Project, 1939-1941

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