

A Finding Aid to the Jimmy Ernst Papers, 1802-2010, bulk 1930-2005, in the Archives of American Art

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Collection Overview

Repository: Archives of American Art

Title: Jimmy Ernst papers

Identifier: AAA.ernsjimm

Date: 1802-2010

(bulk 1930-2005)

Extent: 16.3 Linear feet

Creator: Ernst, Jimmy, 1920-1984

Language: Multiple languages .

Summary: The papers of painter Jimmy Ernst measure 16.3 linear feet and date

from 1802 to 2010, with the bulk of the records dating from the 1930s to 2005. The collection documents Ernst's work as a professional artist, educator and lecturer, and his involvement with the abstract expressionist art movement in the United States through biographical material, correspondence, writings, some personal business papers, teaching materials and lecture notes, printed material, photographs as well as sound and video recordings. Also found is a series of research material, drafts, notes, publicity, correspondence, and interviews pertaining to the writing of Ernst's memoir, *A Not So Still-Life* (1984).

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This collection was donated in 2012 by Amy Ernst, Jimmy Ernst's daughter.

Related Materials

Also found in the Archives are the Max and Dorothea Ernst letters concerning Max Ernst's American citizenship status (photocopies) microfilmed on reel 3829

Processing Information

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Biographical / Historical

Jimmy Ernst (1920-1984) was a painter and educator in East Hampton, New York.

Ernst was born Hans-Ulrich Ernst in Cologne, Germany. After Ernst's parents divorced in 1922, Ernst spent the next 11 years living in Cologne with his mother, art historian and journalist Louise Straus-Ernst. Ernst ultimately left Germany to live with family elsewhere in Europe, including his father Max Ernst, surrealist and founder of the Dada movement in Paris. Ernst moved to New York in 1938 and held positions at Warner Brothers, the film library at the Museum of Modern Art (MoMA), New York, and eventually as director of Peggy Guggenheim's gallery-museum Art of This Century.

It was not until after Ernst moved to the United States that he began focusing on his own art. In 1944 Ernst had his first one-man exhibition at the Norlyst Gallery, and since has been the subject of solo exhibitions at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston (1956), Kolnischer Kunstverein, Cologne (1963), Tampa Museum of Art (1994), Museum of Fine Arts, Saint Petersburg, Florida (1998), and the Sprengel Museum, Hannover, Germany (1999); and has been featured in many group exhibitions including shows at MoMA (1951); Art Institute of Chicago (1960); and the Guggenheim Museum (1954, 1961).

In addition to his career as an artist, Ernst was also a professor in the design department at Brooklyn College from 1951 to 1977, and in 1963 Ernst and a fellow artist, Rudy Pozzatti, participated in an art lecture tour in the U.S.S.R and Germany. Ernst's accolades include the Brandeis University Creative Arts Award, membership in the National Institute of Arts and Letters, an honorary doctorate from Long Island University, and was awarded numerous prizes and fellowships from museums such as the Art Institute of Chicago, Guggenheim Museum, and the Whitney Museum.

Jimmy Ernst married Edith Dallas Bauman (known as Dallas, 1923-2011) in 1947. Dallas served as an assistant to Jimmy by managing the transfer and handling of art work to and from exhibitions, galleries, and buyers; Dallas even presented one of Jimmy's lectures in his place in 1964 due to a health emergency. After Jimmy's death, Dallas continued the business of dealing and exhibiting his artwork. Jimmy and Dallas had two children, Eric and Amy, also artists.

Scope and Contents

The papers of painter Jimmy Ernst measure 16.3 linear feet and date from 1802 to 2010, with the bulk of the records dating from the 1930s to 2005. The collection documents Ernst's work as a professional artist, educator and lecturer, and his involvement with the abstract expressionist art movement in the United States through biographical material, correspondence, writings, some personal business papers, teaching

materials and lecture notes, printed material, photographs as well as sound and video recordings. Also found is a series of research material, drafts, notes, publicity, correspondence, and interviews pertaining to the writing of Ernst's memoir, *A Not So Still-Life* (1984).

Biographical material is comprised of resumes and other summaries of Ernst's career; documents such as passports, will and estate records, contact lists, and school papers from his childhood in Germany; records of the awards Ernst received; and sound and video recordings, including interviews.

Correspondence includes Ernst's letters to and from family, friends, colleagues, and organizations. Topics concern artwork, some political and philosophical issues, services, and personal matters. Also included are a few files of Dallas Ernst's correspondence.

Writings include essays and short writings by Ernst concerning politics, art, poetry, and his own life experiences. Also found are drafts of writings that would later go on to be published, such as his "Freedom of Expression in the Arts" (1964) and "A Letter to the Artists of the Soviet Union" (1961). Additionally, there are a few files that contain writings by Dallas Ernst as well as drafts, essays, M.A. theses, and reviews by other artists, students, and critics in regards to Ernst's art, exhibitions, and career. Papers pertaining to the writing of Ernst's memoir, *A Not So Still-Life* (1984) include research material, drafts, notes, photographs, publicity material, correspondence, and interviews.

Teaching and lecture material consists of correspondence, drafts of speeches, notes, and videos of talks given by Ernst. Documentation covers the periods that Ernst taught at Brooklyn College's Department of Design from 1951 to 1977, lectured at museums and universities in the United States and Europe, and gave commencement speeches to the graduates of Silvermine College of Art in 1969 and Long Island University in 1982.

Exhibition papers include one video, correspondence, ephemera, and lists of artworks shown in solo and group exhibitions in the United States and Europe from 1951 to 1999. After Ernst's death in 1984, his wife Dallas Ernst handled the exhibiting of his art.

Personal business papers document the handling, sale, and consignments of Ernst's artwork. The material is predominantly correspondence with galleries that represented Ernst, although there are files containing receipts, tax documents, and acknowledgements for services and donated artwork. There is also one file concerning Dallas' involvement in the reproduction of sculptures done by Max Ernst.

Printed material includes clippings, newsletters, bulletins, periodicals, and books concerning Ernst's life and career; exhibitions catalogs and announcements; miscellaneous clippings and printed material, some of which were collected by Ernst and annotated; and some reproductions of Ernst's artwork.

Photographs and slides document Ernst's personal and professional life. They include images of the Ernst family both in the United States and Europe, snapshots taken at events and during trips, images of Max and Jimmy Ernst's artwork.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged as 9 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:

Interviews Sound recordings Video recordings

Names:

Brooklyn College Ernst, Dallas Ernst, Max, 1891-1976 Pozzatti, Rudy, 1925-

Occupations:

Educators -- New York (State) -- East Hampton Painters -- New York (State) -- East Hampton

Container Listing

Series 1: Biographical Material, circa 1931-2005

2 Linear feet

This series consists of awards Jimmy Ernst received during his career; life documents such as resumes, identification cards, and timelines of artwork; papers related to both Jimmy and Max Ernst's estate and will; interviews; and biographical videos made regarding the artistic legacy of Jimmy and Max. Also present is a file related to Jimmy Ernst's involvement with the State Department's Education and Cultural Exchange Program in West Germany and the U.S.S.R.

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Series 2: Correspondence, 1941-1998

1.5 Linear feet

The correspondents in this series include members of the Ernst family in both the United States and Germany, friends, gallery and museum representatives, artists, and organizations. The letters are arranged beginning with family correspondents, followed alphabetically by name and topic.

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Series 3: Writings

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Series 3: Writings, circa 1954-2005

0.8 Linear feet

This series consists of Ernst's writings on a variety of topics including the community of artists, writers, and others who lived in East Hampton, New York during the 20th century; art culture in the U.S. and abroad; tributes to Jackson Pollack and others; philosophy; and writings on the topic of his father. There are also writings authored by Jimmy Ernst's wife, Edith Dallas Bauman Brody Ernst. Her writing files include diary excerpts regarding Jimmy Ernst's estate and artwork after his death, her reaction to Max's funeral, and her efforts to publish a book on Jimmy Ernst in the late 1990s. Also present are essays, M.A. theses, and student reviews covering Jimmy Ernst's life and work.

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Box 4, Folder 15	East Hampton, Thoughts, undated
Box 4, Folder 16	Ernst, Max, Art, circa 1971
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Box 4, Folder 19	Essays, undated
Box 4, Folder 20	Holty, Carl, Memorial, 1973
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Series 4: A Not So Still-Life (1984), circa 1920-1995

2 Linear feet

This series consists of papers related to Jimmy Ernst's book, *A Not So Still-Life* (1984). Included are correspondence with editors, publishing companies, and readers of the book; notes and anecdotal writings; photographs used in the book or during the writing process; clippings from reviews and publicity; two interviews with Ernst regarding the book; and drafts of the book. After Ernst's death, Dallas handled the book's foreign publications.

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Box 5, Folder 8	Peggy and Max, undated
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Box 6, Folder 2	Changes Made, undated
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Series 5: Exhibitions

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Series 5: Exhibitions, circa 1951-2000

1 Linear foot

This series consists of papers, printed material, and a video documenting the solo and group exhibitions that Ernst's artwork has been featured in the United States and Europe. Included are planning documents, insurance and shipping lists, correspondence, photographs, condition reports, and ephemera.

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Box 7, Folder 15	"Jimmy Ernst: A Connecticut Artist" (1988), 1988
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Box 7, Folder 21	"A Tribute to the Grace Borgenicht Gallery" (1997), 1997
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Box 7, Folder 23	"Jimmy Ernst: I am an American Painter" (1999), 1999-2000

Series 6: Teaching and Lectures, 1948-1983

0.5 Linear feet

Jimmy Ernst was an educator and lecturer in addition to his career as an artist. He was a professor in the Design Department, Brooklyn College from 1951 to 1977; presented lectures on art in the United States and Europe; and and gave commencement speeches to the graduates of Silvermine College of Art in 1969 and Long Island University in 1982. Documentation includes correspondence, three videos, some ephemera, notes, and drafts of speeches.

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Box 8, Folder 9	Talk at The Club (Philip Pavia), undated
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Box 8, Folder 12	Lecture Notes, Germany, circa 1963
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Box 8, Folder 14-16	Lecture Notes, Miscellaneous, undated

Series 7: Personal Business Records, 1953-1993

13 Folders

Included are papers related to Ernst's financial, legal, and business affairs. The files are primarily composed of correspondence with the galleries who sold and showed Ernst's artwork. Other papers include tax and legal documents, price lists, agreements, and inventories. Also included in this series is a file containing correspondence between Max and Dorothea Ernst, Dallas Ernst, and a foundry regarding the reproduction of sculptures created by Max.

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Box 8, Folder 18	Acknowledgements for Services and Art, 1954-1965
Box 8, Folder 19	Receipts, 1957-1979
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Box 9, Folder 2	Max Ernst Sculptures, Casting Bills, 1967-1982

Series 8: Printed Material

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Series 8: Printed Material, circa 1940-2010

7.5 Linear feet

This series consists of artist cards, clippings, bulletins, newsletters, poems, books, periodicals, and exhibition ephemera. The topics include writings on Ernst's art, career, and family; published material authored by Ernst; exhibition books, catalogs, and announcements; research and miscellaneous material; and a catalog from an exhibition curated by Ernst's daughter, Amy, in 1995.

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Box 15, Folder 13	Artists in Photographs, by Arthur Mones, 1981
Box 15, Folder 14	25 Artists, Hans Namuth, 1982
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