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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	John Foster papers
<b>Date:</b>	[ca. 1935-1989]
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.fostjohn
<b>Creator:</b>	Foster, John Arthur, 1900-1980
<b>Extent:</b>	0.8 Linear feet
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated by Gordon and Elizabeth L. Orear, 1990, who obtained the material while writing their book THE POTTERY OF JOHN FOSTER: FORM AND MEANING (Detroit : Wayne State University Press, 1990)

### 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.

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## Biographical / Historical

Ceramicist; Detroit, Michigan.

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## Scope and Contents

Biographical material, business records concerning sales, loans, and exhibitions, undated and 1943-1981; writings, including lecture notes, articles and drafts, undated and 1938-1953; correspondence with professors, art and ceramic institutions, friends and colleagues, undated, and 1935-1977; printed material, including exhibition catalogs, announcements, and clippings, undated and 1938-1989; and photographs, slides, and negatives of Foster's work.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Ceramics

Occupations:

Ceramicists -- Michigan -- Detroit