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Laurence B. Goodrich research material
relating to Frederick R. Spencer

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Laurence B. Goodrich research material relating to Frederick R. Spencer
Date:	1962-1967
Identifier:	AAA.goodlaur
Creator:	Goodrich, Laurence B., d. 1967
Extent:	0.6 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The donor, Mrs. W. J. [Vivian G.] Schmidt, Jr., is the daughter of Dr. Laurence Goodrich, and gave the collection in accordance with her mother's wishes. Goodrich died before completing the works on Spencer. The exhibition catalog was finished by the staff at the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute.

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

Art historian; New York state. Dr. Goodrich was a professor at State University of New York at Oneonta. Frederick R. Spencer (occasional spelling: Spenser) was a painter and portraitist based in New York City. He became a member of the National Academy in 1838.

Scope and Contents

Subject files generated by Goodrich in the course of writing a book (never published) and compiling an exhibition catalog for the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute, Utica, N.Y., on painter Frederick R. Spencer. Files contain biographical data, primarily from printed sources; correspondence between Goodrich and galleries, historical societies, individuals, and surviving Spencer family members concerning the Spencer family genealogy, and the provenance of Spencer's paintings; the files on Spencer's paintings contain photographs, correspondence, and data on portrait subjects, and a few original Spencer letters.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Names:

Spencer, Frederick R., 1806-1875

Occupations:

Art historians -- New York (State)

Painters -- New York (State) -- New York

Portrait painters -- New York (State) -- New York