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A Finding Aid to the Hazel Hannell Papers, 1934-1985

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Hazel Hannell papers
Date:	1934-1985
Identifier:	AAA.hannhaze
Creator:	Hannell, Hazel Johnson, 1895-2002
Extent:	1.2 Linear feet
Language:	English .
Summary:	The papers of Hazel Hannell measure 1.2 linear feet and date from 1934 to 1985. The papers focus on Hazel Hannell's and Vinol M. S. Hannell's careers in Chicago, Illinois and their participation with Chicago-area art groups. Found are forty-seven calendars published by the Chicago Society of Artists, some of which are annotated by the Hannells. Also found are scattered biographical materials, photographs, and clippings.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1986 by Hazel Hannell.

Processing Information

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Preferred Citation

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Restrictions

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Biographical / Historical

Hazel Hannell (1895-2002) was a painter, ceramicist, and activist in Indiana and Chicago, Illinois. Born Mary Hazel Johnson, she married printmaker V.M.S. (Vinol) Hannell. Together, the Hannells were active in the No-Jury exhibitions and the Chicago Society of Artists. The Hannells often worked together making furniture from their own and others' designs. They co-designed the interior of the Victor Vienna Cafe at the Century of Progress Exposition.

Scope and Contents

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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:

- Women artists
- Women ceramicists
- Women painters

Names:

- Century of Progress International Exposition (1933-1934 : Chicago, Ill.)
- Chicago Society of Artists
- Hannell, V. M. S., 1896-1964

Occupations:

- Ceramicists -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Painters -- Illinois -- Chicago

Container Listing

Series 1: Hazel Hannell Papers, 1934-1985

1.2 Linear feet (Boxes 1-2)

Scope and Contents: Biographical materials include a biographical note on Hazel and V.M.S. Hannell. Also found are scattered clippings on the Hannells and photographs of Hazel Hannell at an exhibition in front of V.M.S. Hannell's painting, the Victor Vienna Cafe, and of the Hannell home. Forty-seven calendars date from 1937 to 1985. The calendars, published by the Society of Chicago Artists, feature prints by V.M.S. Handell and some are annotated.

Box 1, Folder 1 Biographical Material, 1934-1978

Box 1, Folder 2 Calendars, 1937

Box 1, Folder 3 Calendars, 1940

Box 1, Folder 4 Calendars, 1941

Box 1, Folder 5 Calendars, 1942

Box 1, Folder 6 Calendars, 1943

Box 1, Folder 7 Calendars, 1944

Box 1, Folder 8 Calendars, 1945

Box 1, Folder 9 Calendars, 1946

Box 1, Folder 10 Calendars, 1947

Box 1, Folder 11 Calendars, 1948

Box 1, Folder 12 Calendars, 1949-1950

Box 1, Folder 13 Calendars, 1951-1952

Box 1, Folder 14 Calendars, 1953-1954

Box 1, Folder 15 Calendars, 1955-1956

Box 1, Folder 16 Calendars, 1957-1958

Box 1, Folder 17 Calendars, 1959-1960

Box 1, Folder 18	Calendars, 1961-1962
Box 1, Folder 19	Calendars, 1963-1964
Box 1, Folder 20	Calendars, 1965-1966
Box 1, Folder 21	Calendars, 1967-1968
Box 1, Folder 22	Calendars, 1969-1970
Box 1, Folder 23	Calendars, 1971-1972
Box 1, Folder 24	Calendars, 1973-1974
Box 1, Folder 25	Calendars, 1975-1976
Box 2, Folder 1	Calendars, 1977-1978
Box 2, Folder 2	Calendars, 1979-1980
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