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Hubert von Herkomer papers

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Hubert von Herkomer papers
<b>Date:</b>	1883-1914
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.herkhube
<b>Creator:</b>	Herkomer, Hubert von, Sir, 1849-1914
<b>Extent:</b>	7 Items ((on 2 partial microfilm reels))
<b>Language:</b>	Two of the letters are in German.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

The donor, Marcia Goldberg of the Oberlin College Archives, found the material inside a monograph on Hubert von Herkomer. When given to the Archives of American Art, the material was microfilmed as Ashford, John Herkomer and Hubert von Herkomer.

### Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 2814 and 3134 available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

### Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Microfilmed materials must be consulted on microfilm. Contact Reference Services for more information.

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## Biographical / Historical

British landscape and portrait painter, sculptor and graphic artist. Founded and directed school of art at Bushey, 1883-1904. Assumed title and prefix "von" when raised to noble rank by the Emperor of Germany in 1899. Edith Ashford came from the United States to study with him in England, and then remained there as a landscape painter. John Herkomer lived for approximately 30 years in the United States and returned to Bushey to live with his brother.

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## Scope and Contents

Materials concerning Herkomer, his brother John, and his student Edith M. Ashford.

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## Scope and Contents

Reel 2814: An undated newspaper clipping concerning "the London exhibition of his pictures;" two letters in German, and their translated typescripts, from John Herkomer to friends in the U.S., 1902, regarding his own family and experiences in the U.S.

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## Scope and Contents

Reel 3134: A letter, 1883, from Edith Ashford in London to her mother and father. Ashford writes of meeting Hubert von Herkomer and describes his plans for an art school at Bushey. Also included is a typescript of the letter.

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## Other Title

Edith Ashford letter (microfilm title)

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## Other Title

John Herkomer letters (microfilm title)

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Names:

Ashford, Edith M.  
Herkomer, John

Occupations:

Art teachers  
Painters  
Sculptors