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Moritz and Sophie Jagendorf letters from artists

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Moritz and Sophie Jagendorf letters from artists
Date:	1917-1969
Identifier:	AAA.jagemori
Creator:	Jagendorf, M. A. (Moritz Adolph), 1888-1981 Jagendorf, Sophie
Extent:	0.2 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 2016 by Andre Jagendorf, Moritz and Sophie Jagendorf's son.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center.

Biographical / Historical

Moritz Jagendorf (1888-1981) was a dentist who treated artists in New York, New York. Clients included Joseph Stella, Stanton MacDonald-Wright, William and Marguerite Zorach, Thomas Hart Benton, among others. Jagendorf became friendly with the artists and bought their artwork or received it in lieu of dental bills.

Scope and Contents

Letters to Moritz and Sophie Jagendorf from artists including 111 letters from Stanton MacDonald-Wright, 1917-1969; four letters from Carlo De Fornaro, 1937-1938; three letters each from Joseph Stella, 1934-1938, Manuel Tolgian, 1935-1938; two letters each from Rita Benton, 1960-1963, Walter Starkie, 1968, Max Weber, 1930-1932 and Willard Wright (Stanton's brother), 1917; one letter each from M. L. Becker, (possibly May Lamberton Becker), undated, Thomas Hart Benton, 1933, Ralph Steele Boggs, 1966, Bertram Hartman, 1930, Pete Seeger, 1967. Also included are photocopies of several letters from William and Marguerite Zorach and their daughter Dahlov Ipcar, 1965-1967. The letters concern exhibitions, museums, galleries, works of art and other artists.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art -- Collectors and collecting -- New York (State) -- New York

Names:

Becker, M. L.
Benton, Rita P.
Benton, Thomas Hart, 1889-1975
Boggs, Ralph Steele, 1901-1994
Fornaro, Carlo de, 1871-
Hartman, C. Bertram, 1882-1960
Ipcar, Dahlov, 1917-2017
Macdonald-Wright, Stanton, 1890-1973
Seeger, Pete, 1919-2014
Starkie, Walter, 1894-1976
Stella, Joseph, 1877-1946
Tolgian, Manuel
Weber, Max, 1881-1961
Wright, Willard
Zorach, Marguerite, 1887-1968
Zorach, William, 1887-1966

Occupations:

Artists -- New York (State) -- New York
Dentists -- New York (State) -- New York