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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Dorothy Hay Jensen papers
Identifier:	AAA.jensdoro
Date:	1931-1991
Creator:	Jensen, Dorothy Hay, 1910-
Extent:	0.2 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1992 by Dorothy Hay Jensen.

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 administrator; Maine. Supervisor of the Federal Art Project in Maine, 1936-1941; gathering information for the Index of American Design was one phase of their work. The Index of American Design was a research division of the Federal Art Project of the Works Progress Administration which produced approximately 20,000 reproductions (photographs and original drawings) and classifications of a wide variety of American art, paintings, sculpture, handicrafts and folk art.

Scope and Contents

Papers relating to Jensen's work as supervisor of the WPA art projects in Maine and her work on the Index of American Design. Included are: several letters received, primarily from the National Gallery of Art's curator for the Index of American Design, 1949 and 1984-1991; notebook of a working list for the Index of American Design, which also contains annotations, notes and newspaper clippings, ca. 1940; notes; photographs of quilting, stencils, painting, and woodcarving; a rendering of a rocking chair; and printed material.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art, American -- Maine

Decorative arts -- Maine
Federal aid to the arts -- United States

Names:

Federal Art Project (Me.)
Index of American Design