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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Marian King papers
Date:	1934-1964
Identifier:	AAA.kingmari
Creator:	King, Marian
Extent:	2 Linear feet ((on 5 microfilm reels))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1958-1968 by Marian King.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 1002-1003, 3090, 3483 & 3667 available for use 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.

Biographical / Historical

Writer; Washington, D.C. King wrote mainly books for children, and on art related subjects.

Scope and Contents

Letters; photographs; biographical material; research notes and writings; pen and ink illustrations; catalogs and announcements; clippings; and miscellany.

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REELS 1002-1003: 630 letters, 1955-1961, from museums, galleries, libraries, historical societies, and others in response to King's requests for information and reproductions for her books. Two of the letters are from Andrew Wyeth, Sept. 22, 1964, and Nov. 28, 1964. Also included are 125 photographs and reproductions of paintings (mostly American); biographical material on various European and American painters; research notes and writings on subjects such as the mother and child theme in painting, self-portraits of artists; catalogs and announcements; and clippings.

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REEL 3090: An undated letter from Virginia Downes (daughter of Ethel Myers); a letter from William Zorach, May 28, 1960, concerning reproductions of his paintings; 7 pen and ink illustrations; and 12 Christmas cards from President Franklin Delano Roosevelt and Mrs. Roosevelt, President Harry S. Truman and Mrs. Truman, Herbert Hoover and Paul Mellon.

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REEL 3483: A letter from Maurice Sendak explaining that a deadline has kept him from answering her letter. He talks about his admiration for Mary Cassatt's graphic works. He does work for other publishers but is taking a year off, and explains why.

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REEL 3667: A 7 page typescript of an article on Robert Henri by Rose Henderson. The article was published in THE AMERICAN MAGAZINE OF ART, Vol 21, January, 1940, No. 1; and a 2 page typescript by "N.P.D." also on Robert Henri.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Art, American
- Children in art
- Women authors

Names:

- Davis, Charles H. (Charles Harold), 1856-1933
- Henri, Robert, 1865-1929
- Hoover, Herbert, 1874-1964
- Mellon, Paul
- Roosevelt, Franklin D. (Franklin Delano), 1882-1945
- Sendak, Maurice
- Truman, Harry S., 1884-1972
- Wyeth, Andrew, 1917-2009
- Zorach, William, 1887-1966

Occupations:

- Artists
- Authors -- Washington (D.C.)