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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Marian S. Mayer research material on Grant Wood
Identifier:	AAA.mayemari
Date:	1932-1966
Creator:	Mayer, Marian S.
Extent:	1 Linear foot
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated anonymously 1970.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 863-864 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

Mayer was an amateur art historian. She was the wife of J. Gerald Mayer of Schenectady, N.Y. On one occasion, she hosted a dinner party for Wood in her home.

Scope and Contents

Correspondence, scrapbooks, photographs, printed material, notes, and miscellany regarding Mayer's research on artist Grant Wood.

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REELS 863-864: 154 letters, 1939-1943, to and from Mayer relating to her research; two scrapbooks, compiled by Mayer, ca. 1932-1954, containing ca. 300 clippings, photographs, and miscellany, and including two letters to Mayer from Wood, 1941; the 1937 limited edition of MAIN STREET, illustrated by Wood; exhibition catalogs, and announcements, photographs, clippings, and miscellany.

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UNMICROFLMED: Correspondence, 1941-1943; research notes and cards; press releases, tear sheets and a clipping; radio program speeches by Mayer, 1942; a notebook cataloging Wood's work and Mayer's research notes; a bibliography compiled by Mayer about Wood; and a sample of fabric designed by Wood.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Types of Materials:

Scrapbooks

Names:

Wood, Grant, 1891-1942

Occupations:

Biographers