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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Merlin F. Pollock papers
Date:	1936-1979
Identifier:	AAA.pollmerl
Creator:	Pollock, Merlin F., 1905-1996
Extent:	1.4 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1979-1983 by Merlin F. Pollock.

Restrictions

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

Biographical / Historical

Painter, educator; Chicago, Ill. and Syracuse, N.Y. Teaches at Syracuse University School of Art. Was a muralist as well as supervisor of the Chicago Federal Art Project.

Scope and Contents

Correspondence; slides and photographs of art work; catalogs and clippings; photographs, watercolor studies, and a detailed listing of mural projects in civic buildings and schools done by Pollock and other artists, including Mitchell Siporin, for the Illinois Federal Art Project; clippings and photocopied correspondence concerning the portrait of Lt. Commander Waldron painted by Pollock; Syracuse University School of Art annual reports; lithographs; and watercolors.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art and state -- Illinois -- Chicago
Federal aid to the arts -- Illinois -- Chicago
Mural painting and decoration -- Illinois -- Chicago
Muralists

New Deal, 1933-1939

Names:

Federal Art Project (III.)
Siporin, Mitchell, 1910-1976

Occupations:

Educators
Painters

Places:

United States -- Social conditions -- 1933-1945