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Rufus Porter writings

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Rufus Porter writings
<b>Date:</b>	1825-1846
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.portrufu
<b>Creator:</b>	Porter, Rufus, 1792-1884
<b>Extent:</b>	2 Items ((on partial microfilm reel))
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Jean Lipman, the donor, is an art historian and is a frequent donor to AAA.

### Available Formats

35mm microfilm reel 1734 available 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.

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## Biographical / Historical

Scientist; New York, N.Y. Founded the SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN in 1845.

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## Scope and Contents

Two essays by Porter, "A Select Collection of Valuable and Curious Arts and Interesting Experiments" and "Essays on Various Kinds of Painting by Rufus Porter, September 11, 1845-April 9, 1846," a compilation of articles for the magazine, SCIENTIFIC AMERICAN.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

### Subjects:

Art -- Technique  
Art and science -- Archival resouces

Art literature

Occupations:

Scientists

Preferred Titles:

*Scientific American*