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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Frederick B. Potter letter from John La Farge
Identifier:	AAA.pottfred
Date:	1909
Creator:	Potter, Frederick B. La Farge, John, 1835-1910
Extent:	1 Item
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The letter was donated in 1974 by Larry Curry, former curator of American Art, Detroit Institute of Arts, who received the letter from Mrs. John B. Watkins of Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reel 3090 (frames 736-740) 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

John La Farge (1835-1910) was best known for his murals and stained glass windows. He created the stained glass windows for the First Unitarian Church on Woodward Avenue in Detroit, Michigan in 1890. Most of the windows were donated to the Detroit Institute of Arts in 1959 by the Unitarian Church Trust.

Scope and Contents

Letter dated Dec. 1909 from John La Farge to Frederick B. Potter about the stained glass windows he made for the First Unitarian Church on Woodward Ave. in Detroit, Michigan. La Farge informs Potter, chairman of the Board of Trustees of the church, that he has referred his letter and "other letters before to the glass men who do my work" and that they will communicate with him.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Decorative arts
Glass painting and staining -- United States

Occupations:

Stained glass artists