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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Astrid Preston papers
Identifier:	AAA.presastr
Date:	1969-2017
Extent:	2.5 Linear feet
Creator:	Preston, Astrid, 1945-
Language:	English

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 2019 by Astrid Preston.

Restrictions

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

Biographical / Historical

Astrid Preston (1945-) is a draftsman and painter who worked primarily in Los Angeles, California. Preston was part of a network of artists in Los Angeles that included Lita Albuquerque, Loren Madsen, and Steve Kahn and was first involved in a revival of drawing that brought her into contact with other mainly women draftsmen.

Scope and Contents

The papers of draftsman and painter Astrid Preston measure 2.5 linear feet and date from 1969-2017. Included are biographical material; personal and professional correspondence; commission files; photographs and slides of works of art, installations and Preston; printed material; notebooks, writings and sketchbooks by Preston.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Women artists
Women painters -- California -- Los Angeles

Types of Materials:

Sketchbooks

Occupations:

Draftsmen (artists) -- California -- Los Angeles