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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	A. Lassell Ripley papers
Date:	1873-1973
Identifier:	AAA.ripla
Creator:	Ripley, A. Lassell (Aiden Lassell), 1896-1969
Extent:	6.4 Linear feet 0.4 Linear feet (Addition)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated by the Guild of Boston Artists, 1982, and in 1996 by joint donors Frederic Tilton and Drusilla Movizzo. Tilton received the papers from his cousin, Eleanor M. Tilton, the daughter of Margueritte Verne Tilton who was the sister of Ripley's widow, Doris Verne Ripley.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Painter, illustrator; Lexington, Mass.

Scope and Contents

Biographical data; a paper "Aiden Lassell Ripley; American Painter, 1896-1969," by Stephen Cohen, 1972; awards, certificates and medals; correspondence about Ripley's mural for the Lexington Post Office, and with Hallmark Cards, Inc. and Frank L. Harrington of the Paul Revere Life Insurance Co.; Paul Revere project files; research notes for other projects; ca. 200 pencil drawings and 8 annotated sketchbooks; 2 scrapbooks of printed illustrations and photos of portraits; 6 card files containing photos of Ripley's work arranged by subject, exhibition and title of work; exhibition catalogs; magazine clippings, books and pamphlets; and ca. 1000 photos, negatives and slides of works by Ripley and the subjects and scenes depicted in his work.

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ADDITION: Biographical data; letters of Doris Verne (Mrs. Ripley) and her family; photographs and two small photograph albums of Ripley, his family, friends, work, and scenery, exhibition material; and printed material, including reproductions of Ripley's work.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art, American

Types of Materials:

Drawings
Sketchbooks

Occupations:

Illustrators -- Massachusetts -- Lexington
Painters -- Massachusetts -- Lexington