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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Edward Wales Root papers
<b>Date:</b>	1896-1968
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.rootedwa2
<b>Creator:</b>	Root, Edward Wales, d. 1956
<b>Extent:</b>	3 Reels (Ca.3500 items (on 3 microfilm reels))
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Lent for microfilming by the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute, 1981.

### Location of Originals

Originals in the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute, Utica, New York.

### Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 2376-2378 available for use at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

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## Biographical / Historical

Art collector and instructor; Clinton, N.Y. Collector of predominately American avant-garde art. Taught art at Hamilton College. Edward is the son of Elihu Root.

## Scope and Contents

Biographical material; files on Alexander Brook, Charles Burchfield, George Luks, Peppino Mangravite, Henry Lee McFee, Maurice Prendergast, Eugene Speicher, Theodoros Stamos, and others whose work Root collected, containing correspondence, catalogs, checklists, clippings, receipts, and notes; correspondence with Harris K. Prior and Joseph Trovato of the Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute, Lydia Powell, William Roerick, Carl Ziggrosser, galleries, dealers, and museum officials; inventories, correspondence, notes, catalogs, and clippings relating to Root's collection; writings; diaries; sketches by Root; files on the Utica Art Society; and photographs of Root, his home, his art collection and exhibitions.

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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 -- Collectors and collecting -- United States  
Art, Modern -- 20th century -- United States

### Names:

Brook, Alexander, 1898-1980  
Burchfield, Charles Ephraim, 1893-1967  
Luks, George Benjamin, 1867-1933  
Mangravite, Peppino, 1896-  
McFee, Henry Lee, 1886-1953  
Munson-Williams-Proctor Institute. Museum of Art  
Prendergast, Maurice Brazil, 1858-1924  
Prior, Harris K. (Harris King)  
Speicher, Eugene Edward, 1883-1962  
Stamos, Theodoros, 1922-1997  
Trovato, Joseph S., 1912-1983  
Utica Art Society