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H. Lyman Sayen papers

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	H. Lyman Sayen papers
<b>Date:</b>	1895-1973
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.sayeh
<b>Creator:</b>	Sayen, H. Lyman (Henry Lyman), 1875-1918
<b>Extent:</b>	0.4 Linear feet
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Transfer from the National Museum of American Art, 1986.

### Reproduction Note

Much of the printed material and many of the letters are photocopies.

### 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.

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## Biographical / Historical

Painter, mural painter, illustrator; Philadelphia, Pa.

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## Scope and Contents

Letters to Sayen; exhibition catalogs; printed material; annotated scrapbooks compiled by Sayen's daughter, Ann, containing letters, photographs, clippings and material about Sayen's scientific achievements and his lunettes for the U.S. Capitol completed in 1905; a typescript of a talk, "The United States and Modern Art," given by Sayen at the Philadelphia Sketch Club; typescript of an unpublished autobiography, "Blossoms of Liberty," by Jeannette Hope Sayen, Sayen's wife; a diary kept by Harvey Thomas Sayen, Sayen's brother; and photographs of Sayen's paintings, pottery, and commercial illustrations.

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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:

Painting, American

Types of Materials:

Scrapbooks  
Sketchbooks

Names:

Sayen, Ann  
Sayen, Harvey Thomas  
Sayen, Jeanette Hope

Occupations:

Illustrators -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia  
Muralists -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia  
Painters -- Pennsylvania -- Philadelphia