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the Museum Trustee Association

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	George Seybolt papers relating to the Museum Trustee Association
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<b>Creator:</b>	Seybolt, George Crossan, 1914-1993 Museum Trustee Association
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<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated by George C. Seybolt in 1992.

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## Biographical / Historical

George Seybolt was a food industry executive, museum trustee, and founder of the Museum Trustee Association from Boston, Mass. Born 1914. Died 1993. George Seybolt, president of the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston, was instrumental in founding the Museum Trustee Association, an advisory and discussion group whose purpose was to provide trustees of all museums with regular meetings and a means of influencing the deliberations of the American Association of Museums (now the American Alliance of Museums) through independent recommendations. It is no longer part of the AAM. The Museum Trustee Association (MTA) was originally the Museum Trustee Committee, American Association of Museums (AAM), and then the Museum Trustee Committee for Research and Development, AAM.

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## Scope and Contents

Records kept by George C. Seybolt in his capacity as chairman of the Museum Trustee Committee, American Association of Museums (AAM); chairman, Museum Trustee Committee for Research and Development, AAM; and founding chairman of the Museum Trustee Association. Included are files containing correspondence, reports, by-laws, minutes of meetings, and printed material.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

### Names:

American Association of Museums. Museum Trustee Committee

American Association of Museums. Museum Trustee Committee for Research and  
Development  
Seybolt, George Crossan, 1914-1993

Functions:

Art museums -- United States