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George Godfrey Thorp papers

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	George Godfrey Thorp papers
Date:	1941-1970
Identifier:	AAA.thorgeor
Creator:	Thorp, George Godfrey, 1904-1972
Extent:	26 Items ((on 2 microfilm reels))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Material on reel 1309 lent for microfilming; and material on reel 3480 donated 1977 by Isabel Thorp, widow of Thorp.

Location of Originals

Reel 1309: Original returned to Isabel Thorp after microfilming.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 1309 & 3480 available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Microfilmed materials must be consulted on microfilm. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Painter, teacher, administrator; Illinois.

Scope and Contents

Letters and telegrams; a list; a clipping; notes; and a sketchbook.

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REEL 1309: Sketchbook presented to Thorp by his staff when he resigned as State Supervisor of the Illinois WPA Art and Craft Program in 1941. Included are sketches by about 30 persons.

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REEL 3480: A carbon copy of Thorp's letter of resignation as State Supervisor of the Federal Art Project, Illinois WPA Art and Craft Program, August 1, 1941; letters and telegrams regarding his resignation received from Chicago administrators and artists, including Laszlo Moholy-Nagy and Daniel Catton Rich; "Homage a George Thorp," a list of events scheduled for the dinner in honor of Thorp's work with WPA; a clipping on Thorp, 1947; and Thorp's notes on acrylic collage.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Art, American
- Federal aid to the arts -- United States
- Instructors

Names:

- Federal Art Project (Ill.)
- Moholy-Nagy, László, 1895-1946
- Rich, Daniel Catton, 1904-1976

Occupations:

- Arts administrators -- Illinois
- Painters -- Illinois