

# Joan Merriam Smith Around the World Flight Commemorative Art Work

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#### **Collection Overview**

Repository: National Air and Space Museum Archives

Title: Joan Merriam Smith Around the World Flight Commemorative Art Work

**Date:** 1965

Identifier: NASM.XXXX.1084

Creator: Schroder, Peg

**Extent:** 0.05 Cubic feet (1 folder)

Language: English .

**Summary:** Joan Merriam Smith completed an around the world flight, beginning in

Oakland California on March 17, 1964, that closely followed the route of Amelia Earhart's ill-fated around the world flight attempt in 1937. This collection consists of a piece of art work created by the donor which commemorates Joan Merriam Smith's around the world flight.

#### **Administrative Information**

#### **Acquisition Information**

Peg Schroder, Gift, NASM.XXXX.1084

#### Processing Information

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#### Preferred Citation

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# **Biographical / Historical**

Joan Merriam Smith completed an around the world flight, beginning in Oakland California on March 17, 1964, that closely followed the route of Amelia Earhart's ill-fated around the world flight attempt in 1937. Smith, flying the Piper Apache *City of Long Beach* (A/C No. N3251P), successfully completed the 27,750 mile flight in 56 days, arriving back in Oakland on May 12, 1964. Smith was posthumously awarded the Harmon Trophy in 1965 (she died at age 28 in February 1965 from injuries sustained in a plane crash).

# **Scope and Contents**

This collection consists of a piece of art work created by the donor which commemorates Joan Merriam Smith's around the world flight. The piece includes text at the top edge about a proposed air mail stamp in honor of Smith and more text at the bottom edge that provides biographical information on Smith. The body of the piece is made of a drawing of the Piper Apache *City of Long Beach* at the top left and a drawing of the globe with her route marked at the top right. In the center is a drawn head and shoulders portrait of Smith. At the bottom right corner of the piece is attached a small piece of metal from the *City of Long Beach*.

## Arrangement

Collection is a single item.

### Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Aeronautics
Flights around the world
Women air pilots

Types of Materials:

Works of art

Names:

Smith, Joan Merriam, 1937?-1965