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Division of Domestic Life Greeting Card Collection

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	Division of Domestic Life Greeting Card Collection
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0109
<b>Date:</b>	ca. 1854-1975.
<b>Extent:</b>	6 Cubic feet (18 boxes)
<b>Creator:</b>	Norcross Greeting Card Company (New York (N.Y.)) Norcross Greeting Card Company (West Chester (Pa.)) Prang, Louis, fl. 1880-1900 Rust Craft Greeting Card Company (Dedham (Mass.)) Rust Craft Greeting Card Company (West Chester (Pa.)) Tuck, Raphael, fl. 1880s Ward, Marcus, fl. 1880s Domestic Life, Division of (NMAH, SI).
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Image(s): Division of Domestic Life Greeting Card Collection</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

These cards are from a variety of donors and accessions, from the 1960s through the 1970s.

### Ownership and Custodial History

Transferred to the Archives Center from the Division of Domestic Life.

### Processing Information

Collection processed by Catherine Keen, 1995

### Preferred Citation

Division of Domestic Life Greeting Card Collection, ca. 1854-1975, Archives Center, National Museum of American History.

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## Scope and Contents

Includes greeting cards primarily filed by season or occasion and by name of designer/manufacturer, e.g., Valentines, Christmas cards, and cards by Louis Prang, Raphael Tuck, Marcus Ward, and a number of 20th century designers and manufacturers. Includes mechanical, hand-drawn, cutout, and fringed cards. Also other types of material, such as postcards, calling cards, and scrapbooks of cards.

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## Arrangement

1 series. Arranged roughly by type.

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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:

Christmas  
Holidays  
Holidays in art -- 1850-1980

Types of Materials:

Greeting cards -- 1850-1980  
Scrapbooks  
Valentines

Names:

Domestic Life, Division of (NMAH, SI).

## Container Listing

Honey how your eyes do shine / Won't you be my Valentine ... [greeting card],  
1904

*1 Item (Ink on paper.; 5.4" x 3.4".)*

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Raphael Tuck & Sons, Publisher

... Let my arms around you twine / Like the clinging melon vine. Illustration by R.  
F. Outcuult of African-American boy and girl under the verse.

In Box 9, Folder Tuck.

Local Numbers

AC0109-0000001 (AC Scan No.)

Topic: African American  
Ethnic imagery

Genre/Form: Greeting cards  
Valentines