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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Arthur Taussig "The Museum Project" Photoprints
Date:	circa 1995-2015
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.1396
Creator:	Taussig, H. Arthur (Donor)
Extent:	1 Cubic foot (6 boxes)
Language:	English .
Summary:	The collection contains color photoprints, organized regionally, of the interiors and exteriors of the museums documented by Taussig.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection donated by Arthur Taussig, 2016

Processing Information

Collection processed by Archives Center staff, 2021.

Preferred Citation

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Biographical / Historical

Arthur Taussig was born and raised in Los Angeles. He received a degree in Physics from the University of California, Berkeley. He began studying art and photography with John Upton at Orange Coast College in 1964. While doing advanced studies at UCLA, he continued his studies in photography with Robert Heinecken and Robert Fichter. In summers, he worked with photographers John Upton, Minor White, Ansel Adams, Paul Caponigro, Oliver Gagliani, and others. He accepted a teaching position in Photography at Orange Coast College where he later also taught film. In 1982 he received a National Endowment for the Arts Visual Artist's Grant.

Source

<https://www.arthurtaussig.com/external-photographs/the-museum-project/>

Scope and Contents

Arthur Taussig created "The Museum Project" to document what he terms "vernacular" museums in America, on offbeat or esoteric subjects. The collection contains color photoprints, organized regionally, of the interiors and exteriors of the museums he documented, and a hard drive containing all the images from the project.

Arrangement

Collection is arranged into one series

Series 1: Photoprints, 2003-2005

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Museums -- United States
Vernacular museums

Types of Materials:

Photographs -- Color photoprints -- 1990-2000
Photographs -- Color photoprints -- 21st century

Container Listing

Series 1: Photoprints, 2003-2005

Box 1	Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences Museum, Beverly Hills, California, 2005
Box 1	Alamo Museum, San Antonio, Texas, 2005
Box 1	Bhagavad-Gita Museum, Culver City, California, 2004
Box 1	Billy the Kid Museum, Ruidoso, New Mexico, 2005
Box 1	Bisbee Mining & Historical Museum, Bisbee, Arizona, 2003
Box 1	Buckhorn Exchange, Denver, Colorado, 2005
Box 1	Buckhorn Saloon and Museum, San Antonio, Texas, 2005
Box 1	California Science Museum, Los Angeles, California, 2003
Box 6	[Texas and Southwestern] Cattle Raisers Museum, Fort Worth, Texas, 2005
Box 1	Cockroach Hall of Fame, Plano, Texas, 2005
Box 1	[National] Cowgirl Hall of Fame, Fort Worth, Texas, 2005
Box 1	Creation Evidence Museum of Texas, Glen Rose, Texas, 2005
Box 1	Crockett County Museum, Ozona, Texas, undated
Box 5	Cross of Our Lord, Groom, Texas, 2005
Box 1	Delgadillo's Snow Cap Burgers, Seligman, Arizona, 2005
Box 1	Denver Museum of Science and Nature, Denver, Colorado, 2005
Box 1	Desert Caballeros Western Museum, Wickenburg, Arizona, 2003
Box 2	Don Harrington Discovery Center, Amarillo, Texas, 2005
Box 2	54th Infantry Division Museum, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 2005
Box 2	Fire Station #1 Museum, Los Angeles, California, 2004
Box 2	Forest Lawn Museum, Glendale, California, 2005

Box 2	[Fort Bliss] US Army Air Defense Artillery Museum, Fort Bliss, El Paso, Texas, 2005
Box 2	Frederick's of Hollywood Lingerie Museum, Hollywood, California, 2005
Box 2	General George S Patton Memorial Museum, Chiriaco Summit, California, 2005
Box 2	George C. Page Museum; La Brea Tar Pits, Los Angeles, California, 2004
Box 2	Hall of Flame Fire Museum, Phoenix, Arizona, 2003
Box 2	Hole 'N' the Rock Museum, Moab, Utah, 2004
Box 2	Hubbard Museum of the American West, Ruidoso Downs, New Mexico, 2004
Box 2	International Space [Hall of Fame] Museum, Alamogordo, New Mexico, 2005
Box 3	International UFO Museum, Roswell, New Mexico, 2005
Box 3	International Wildlife Museum, Tucson, Arizona, 2003
Box 3	Interurban Transportation Museum, Plano, Texas, 2005
Box 3	Kingman Army Airfield Historical Society Museum, Kingman, Arizona, 2005
Box 3	L. Ron Hubbard Life Exhibition, Hollywood, California, 2005
Box 3	Los Angeles Natural History Museum, Los Angeles, California, 2003
Box 3	[Lyndon B.] Johnson Space Center, Houston, Texas, 2005
Box 3	Mary Kay Museum, Addison, Texas, 2005
Box 3	McKay Clinic Medical Museum, Humble, Texas, 2005
Box 3	Meteor Crater Museum, Winslow, Arizona, 2005
Box 3	Mid-America All Indian Cultural Center, Wichita, Kansas, 2005
Box 3	Mojave Museum of History and Arts, Kingman, Arizona, 2003
Box 3	Movieland Wax Museum, Buena Park, California, 2005
Box 4	Museum of Jurassic Technology, Culver City, California, 2004
Box 4	Museum of Pawn, Scottsdale, Arizona, 2005

Box 4	Museum of the Horse Soldier, Tucson, Arizona, 2005
Box 4	Museum of World Treasures, Wichita, Kansas, 2005
Box 4	National Atomic Museum, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2005
Box 4	National Museum of Funeral History, Houston, Texas, 2005
Box 4	National Museum of the Pacific War, Fredericksburg, Texas, 2005
Box 4	National Route 66 Museum, Elk City, Oklahoma, 2005
Box 4	Navajo County Historical Museum, Holbrook, Arizona, 2005
Box 4	New Mexico Museum of Natural History, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2005
Box 4	Newport Beach Nautical Museum, Newport Beach, California, 2005
Box 4	Oklahoma State Firefighters Museum, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, 2005
Box 4	Palm Springs Air Museum, Palm Springs, California, 2003
Box 5	Phoenix Police Museum, Phoenix, Arizona, 2005
Box 5	Pima Air & Space Museum, Tucson, Arizona, 2003
Box 5	Plaza Wax Museum, San Antonio, Texas, 2005
Box 5	[American International] Rattlesnake Museum, Albuquerque, New Mexico, 2005
Box 5	Rex Allen Museum, Willcox, Arizona, 2005
Box 5	Ripley's Believe It or Not, Buena Park, California, 2005
Box 5	Rose Tree Museum, Tombstone, Arizona, 2003
Box 5	Rosenbruch World Wildlife Museum, St George, Utah, 2005
Box 5	Route 66 Auto Museum, Santa Rosa, New Mexico, 2005
Box 5	Route 66 Museum, Kingman, Aarizona, 2005
Box 5	Route 66 Museum, Victorville, California, 2005
Box 5	Shields Date Farm Museum, Indio, California, 2005
Box 5	Space Murals Museum, Organ, New Mexico, 2005

Box 5	Stockyards Museum, Fort Worth, Texas, 2005
Box 6	Texas Cowboy Hall of Fame, Ft Worth, Texas, 2005
Box 6	Texas Military Forces Museum, Austin, Texas, 2005
Box 6	Texas Prison Museum, Huntsville, Texas, 2005
Box 6	Texas Rangers Hall of Fame and Museum, Waco, Texas, 2005
Box 6	Thing Museum, Dragoon, Arizona, 2005
Box 6	Titan Missile Museum, Green Valley, Arizona, 2003
Box 6	Toilet Seat Art Museum, Alamo Heights, Texas, 2005
Box 6	West of the Pecos Museum, Pecos, Texas, 2005
Box 6	White Sands Missile Range Museum, White Sands, New Mexico, 2005
Box 6	World Boxing Hall of Fame, Orange, California, 2005
Box 6	Yuma Proving Ground Heritage Center, Yuma, Arizona, 2005

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