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## NASM Historical Files, circa 1959-1973

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., <a href="mailto:osiaref@si.edu">osiaref@si.edu</a>
<b>Title:</b>	NASM Historical Files
<b>Identifier:</b>	Accession 11-207
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<b>Language:</b>	English

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## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of records documenting architectural designs for the proposed National Air Museum (later the National Air and Space Museum) Building as well as for exhibitions and office spaces in both the National Air and Space Museum Building and the Arts and Industries Building. Materials include elevations, floor plans, concept drawings, details, and related architectural drawings. Also included are original sketches, text, and photographs for a history of space flight; original object labels; and an objective-based organizational chart.

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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:

- Aeronautical museums
- Architectural design
- Astronautical museums
- Building
- Museum buildings
- Museum exhibits
- Museum publications

Types of Materials:

Architectural drawings  
Black-and-white photographs  
Floor plans  
Manuscripts  
Sketches

Names:

Arts and Industries Building (Washington, D.C.)  
National Air Museum (U.S.)  
National Air and Space Museum Building (Washington, D.C.)

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## Container Listing

### Oversize

Oversize	Folder 1	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Concept Drawings, undated</li><li>• National Air and Space Museum (NASM) Floor Plans, undated</li><li>• Spacesuit Exhibit Case, 1973</li><li>• Goddard Memorabilia Case, 1970</li><li>• Viewing Platform for Gemini Spacecraft, 1967</li><li>• NASM Office Renovation - Arts and Industries Building, 1966</li><li>• Apollo Exhibit, 1971</li></ul>
Oversize	Folder 2	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elevations and Floor Plans - A, C-F, 1959</li></ul>
Oversize	Folder 3	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elevations and Floor Plans - G-H, 1960</li></ul>
Oversize	Folder 4	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elevations and Floor Plans - I-J, 1960</li></ul>
Oversize	Folder 5	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Elevations and Floor Plans, undated (labeled National Air Museum)</li></ul>
Oversize	Folder 6	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Original Object Label - Curtiss JN4 D</li><li>• Original Object Label - Voisin Airplane</li><li>• Original Object Label - Original Langley Flying Machine (controversial version)</li><li>• NASM Organizational Chart aligned to Smithsonian Institution Objectives</li></ul>
Oversize	Folder 7	
	Note:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Masters of Space by Philip S. Hopkins - Original Sketches, Text, and Photographs, c. 1963</li></ul>