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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of records that document collections development planning at the National Museum of American History as well as across museums at the Smithsonian Institution. The records were created and maintained by James B. Gardner during his tenure at the National Museum of American History (NMAH), first as the Associate Director for History, Department of History; and then as the Associate Director of Curatorial Affairs, Office of Curatorial Affairs; and lastly as Senior Scholar, Office of the Director. The materials cover a collections planning colloquium organized by NMAH and the American Association of Museums, collections planning efforts at NMAH, and a Smithsonian-wide collections planning symposium. Materials include correspondence, memoranda, reports, collecting plans, presentations, and other related materials.

Names and Subject Terms

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Subjects:

- Congresses and conventions
- Historical museums.
- Museums -- Administration.
- Museums -- Collection management.
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Container Listing

Box 1

Collections Planning Colloquium - National Museum of American History (NMAH)/American Association of Museums (AAM), 2002-2004 (2 folders)

Collections planning at NMAH, 2003-2009 (5 folders)

Collections planning - Smithsonian Institution Collections Planning Symposium, 2006 (2 folders)

Collections planning - Smithsonian Leadership Development Program, 2009

Collections plan reviews, 2008-2010