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## Collection Overview

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## Administrative Information

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## Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the records of Claudia Brush Kidwell and Anne Wood Murray documenting curatorial and professional activities in the Section of American Costume which, prior to 1969, was in the Division of Political History at the Museum of History and Technology; the Division of Costume and Furnishings; the Division of Costume; and the Division of Social History. Also consists of some records that document the early history of costume collections. Other staff members represented in these records include museum specialist Shelly Foote and museum technician Priscilla Wood. Materials include correspondence, memoranda, and notes; reports; agreements; budget summaries; proposals; information about research grants, committees, and symposiums; news releases; exhibition catalogs, articles, and book reviews; lecture papers; collections management information; meeting agendas and minutes; mission statements; newsletters; photographs and slides; questionnaires and evaluations; information pertaining to the Gender Issues Action Group, which was chaired by Kidwell and addressed gender equality issues at the National Museum of American History; policies and guidelines; brochures; and clippings. Some materials are in electronic format.

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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:  
Committees

Costume -- History  
Exhibition catalogs  
Museum curators  
Museums -- Collection management  
Research grants

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white photographs  
Black-and-white transparencies  
Books  
Brochures  
Clippings  
Color photographs  
Color transparencies  
Electronic records  
Exhibition catalogs  
Floppy disks  
Manuscripts  
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Names:

Foote, Shelly  
Kidwell, Claudia Brush  
Murray, Anne Wood  
Museum of History and Technology (U.S.). Section of American Costume  
National Museum of American History (U.S.)  
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Costume  
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Social History  
National Museum of History and Technology (U.S.). Division of Costume and Furnishings  
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