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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the records of William L. Bird, Curator, documenting his curatorial and professional activities in the Division of Political History. Earlier records date back to when the division was known as the Division of Politics and Reform, the Division of Social History, and when it was part of the Department of Social and Cultural History at the National Museum of American History, which, prior to 1980, was known as the National Museum of History and Technology. Materials include correspondence, memoranda, and notes; information pertaining to professional societies, conferences, symposiums, and colloquiums; Bird's lecture papers, articles, and book reviews; press releases; newspaper clippings; collection management information; awards; book reviews in regard to Bird's publications; photographs and negatives; brochures; and a drawing. Some materials are in electronic format.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Congresses and conventions
- Lectures and lecturing
- Museum curators
- Museum publications
- Museums -- Collection management
- Political science
- Politics and culture

Professional associations

Types of Materials:

Black-and-white negatives
Black-and-white photographs
Brochures
Clippings
Color photographs
Compact discs
Drawings
Electronic records
Manuscripts

Names:

Bird, William L.
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Department of Social and Cultural History
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Politics and Reform
National Museum of American History (U.S.). Division of Social History
National Museum of History and Technology (U.S.)

Container Listing

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- Box 2 of 2 Smithsonian Week in Long Beach Lecture, 2008 (includes electronic records)
- Box 2 of 2 Smithsonian Folklife Festival: "Souvenir on the Mall" Lecture, 2010
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- Box 2 of 2 Smithsonian Associates "Every Man a Rembrandt: The Paint by Number Phenomenon" Lecture, 2013
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- Box 2 of 2 Book reviews for *Better Living: Advertising, Media, and the New Vocabulary of Business Leadership*, 1999-2000
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Photographs of William L. Bird., Jr.