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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

These materials were accumulated over time in the Library of the Cooper-Hewitt Museum (CHM). Most were produced before the Cooper Union Museum was transferred to the Smithsonian Institution in 1968, and some predate the establishment of the Museum itself in 1896. The publications include an incomplete series of Cooper Union annual reports beginning with the fifth report published in 1864. The series ends with an excerpt from the Smithsonian Institution annual report for fiscal year 1969, in which the Cooper-Hewitt Museum was first listed as a bureau of the Institution.

The materials also contain volumes one through three of the Chronicle of the Museum for the Arts of Decoration of the Cooper Union; biographical information about significant figures in the Museum's history; checklists, descriptions, and essays based on the Museum's collections; reports by the Director, Treasurer, and Secretary of the Council for the Cooper Union Museum from 1907 to 1927; texts of talks given at the Museum; and histories of the Museum written by staff members.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Art museums
- Decorative arts
- Museum libraries

Types of Materials:

Manuscripts
Serials (publications)

Names:

Cooper Union Museum for the Arts of Decoration
Cooper Union for the Advancement of Science and Art
Council for the Cooper Union Museum

Preferred Titles:

Chronicle of the Museum for the Arts of Decoration of the Cooper Union

Container Listing

Series 1: Cooper Union Museum Publications

Box 1

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| Box 1 of 3 | Cards listing publications with references to Cooper Union Museum |
| Box 1 of 3 | Postcards of Cooper Union Museum objects |
| Box 1 of 3 | "Making of a Modern Museum" (by Eleanor G. Hewitt) |
| Box 1 of 3 | Newcomen Society addresses for Peter Cooper and Joseph Henry, 1949, 1956 |
| Box 1 of 3 | "In Memoriam" pamphlets for Amy Hewitt Green, John Halstead, Eleanor Garnier Hewitt, Peter Cooper Hewitt, Gerd Muehsam |
| Box 1 of 3 | Cooper Union Museum collection checklists, surveys, and summary catalogues |
| Box 1 of 3 | Cooper Union Museum collection summary catalogues |
| Box 1 of 3 | Cooper Union Museum publications and brochures (2 folders) |
| Box 1 of 3 | Cooper Union Museum press clippings and article reprints (3 folders) |
| Box 1 of 3 | Photos of P. Cooper, A. Carnegie, Cooper Union School and Museum, Carnegie Mansion (all have Cooper-Hewitt Museum neg. numbers) |
| Box 1 of 3 | Account book, 1962-1963 (I) |

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Series 2: Reports, 1864-1977

Box 1

- Box 1 of 3 Art School and Museum Libraries annual reports, 1955-1964
- Box 1 of 3 Cooper Union annual reports, nos. 5-47, July 1864-June 1906 (incomplete set)

Box 2

- Box 2 of 3 Cooper Union annual reports, no. 48 through first CHM report in FY 1969 Smithsonian Year, June 1907-June 1969 (incomplete set)

Box 3

- Box 3 of 3 Data for Cooper Union Review: The Cooper Union Museum, reply to questionnaire presented to the Museum by Dr. James A. Perkins and Mr. Eling Annestad, March 25, 1953
- Box 3 of 3 "Art in Cooper Union" parts 1 & 2, 1951
- Box 3 of 3 "Museum Collections on Asia, Africa, Latin America, and the Soviet Union in New York State and their Use in Education," by Allan D. Chapman, May 1964
- Box 3 of 3 "Address at the Cooper Union Museum" by William M. Ivins, Jr., February 25, 1932
- Box 3 of 3 "Clay and Color: The Ceramics of Picasso," A talk given at the Cooper Union Museum by Dr. Paul Zucker, March 27, 1958
- Box 3 of 3 Report by Dr. William M. Milliken, Director-Emeritus, Cleveland Museum of Art, on the collections of the Cooper Union Museum, March 30, 1962
- Box 3 of 3 "Cooper Union Museum to Cooper-Hewitt Museum," draft of a history of the continuation of "The Making of a Modern Museum," preliminary draft by Alice B. Beer, June 1976
- Box 3 of 3 "Cooper Union Museum to Cooper-Hewitt Museum," draft of a history of the continuation of "The Making of a Modern Museum," by Alice B. Beer, March 1977
- Box 3 of 3 *Chronicle of the Museum for the Arts of Decoration of the Cooper Union*, vol. 1, no. 1 (winter 1934-35); vol. 3, nos.1-5 (Oct. 1961-Oct. 1963)
- Box 3 of 3 *Chronicle of the Museum for the Arts of Decoration of the Cooper Union*, vol. 1, 1935-1945, bound compilation plus index
- Box 3 of 3 *Chronicle of the Museum for the Arts of Decoration of the Cooper Union*, vol. 2, 1949-1958, bound compilation plus index

Box 3 of 3 Council for the Cooper Union Museum, reports, Director, Treasurer, and Secretary, 1907-1919

Box 3 of 3 Council for the Cooper Union Museum, reports, Director, Treasurer, and Secretary, 1920-1927

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