

Western Canada Art Circuit Collection / June Binkert (collector)

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Collection Description

Western Canada Art Circuit collection / June Binkert (collector). -- 1950, 1957-1970.
62.5 cm of textual records.

Collector's Biographical Sketch

June Binkert joined the Registrar's staff at the University of British Columbia in 1952, and transferred to the School of Architecture in 1953. She was the first secretary of the Department of Fine Arts at its inception in 1955. From 1958 to 1968 she was the executive secretary of the Western Canada Art Circuit. The WCAC was established in 1946 when the art galleries in Victoria, Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, and Winnipeg organized to bring exhibitions from eastern Canada and the U.S., sharing the costs involved. Gradually, other exhibiting centres came into this co-operative organization, and the Circuit was re-organized in 1958. A Co-ordinating Committee was established, consisting of one representative from each of the four western provinces, and June Binkert was hired as the Executive Secretary to manage the day-to-day running of the WCAC. In 1969, in response to the growing need for art educational services rather than the co-ordination of exhibits, the WCAC was replaced by the Western Canada Art Association.

Custodial History

The material was kept by June Binkert until their donation to the University Archives in 1983.

Scope and Content

The collection consists of records of the Western Canada Art Circuit generated between 1950 and 1970. It includes correspondence, reports, minutes of annual meetings, financial statements, and published materials (in particular exhibit catalogues).

Notes

File list available.

Title based on the contents of the collection.

Series Descriptions

General Files series. – 1950, 1957-1970.

28.5 cm.

The series consists of the WCAC's administrative records, and some subject files. It includes correspondence (including some with the Canada Council and the National Gallery of Canada), reports, minutes of annual meetings, financial statements, and some exhibition catalogues and brochures.

Exhibitions series. – 1959-1969.

34 cm.

The series consists of records generated through the exhibitions organized by the WCAC. It includes correspondence, and exhibition catalogues, brochures, and advertisements. The material is arranged in chronological order by exhibition season.

File List

General Files

Box 1

- 1-1 Annual Meetings 1958-67
- 1-2 Co-Ordinating Committee 1958-67
- 1-3 Financial Statements 1957-68
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- 1-6 Miscellaneous [correspondence, reports, minutes] 1950, 1957-70
- 1-7 B.C. Section 1963-69
- 1-8 Briefs, Submissions & Survey 1958-69

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- 2-1 Bulletins 1958-70
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- 2-3 Centennial Exhibitions 1966-68
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- 3-1 Re-Organization 1967-70

Exhibitions

- 3-2 1959-60
 - Art Exhibition Posters from Paris
 - BC Society of Artists Graphics Exhibition
 - Early Sculpture of Quebec
 - Egyptian Wall Paintings
 - Gaby Photographs

- Imperial Oil Review
 - Japanese Ceramics
 - Oriental Rugs
 - Paper Cut-outs from Poland
 - The Postwar Church in Germany
 - Santo Mignosa Pottery
 - UNESCO Reproductions of watercolours
 - William Shoebottom Paintings
 - The 4th Annual Winnipeg Show
 - Young Contemporaries
 - West Coast Artists
- 3-3 1960-61
- Abstract Artists' Association of Montreal
 - African Paintings from Northern Rhodesia
 - Albertina Facsimiles
 - Art McKay
 - British Ballet Designs
 - Byzantine Church Paintings and Mosaics
 - Canadian Artists, Series III (Beauchemin and Vermette)
 - Canadian Housing Design Council
 - Cliff Robinson Batiks
 - Contemporary Colour Lithography
 - Eskimo Sculpture and Prints
 - Fenwick Landsdowne & George Kuthan
 - Group of Seven and After
 - H.G. Hyde Watercolours
 - Herb Gilbert
 - Israeli Painting
 - Manitoba Painting and Sculpture
 - Typography
- 3-4 1961-62
- Artists' Techniques on a Western Theme
 - Buffalo in American Art
 - Burnaby National Print Show
 - Canadian Ceramics 1961
 - Carl Rungius: Landscape Painter
 - Contemporary Canadian Painting
 - Canadian Artists Series IV (Alistair Bell and Albert Dumouchel)

Drawings of Leonardo da Vinci
Eugene Berman
Rodin Drawings
Eight Ontario Painters
The Italian Campaign
Jack Shadbolt Gouaches
Lemoine Fitzgerald
Photographs by Four U.B.C. Students
Prize-Winning American Prints
Sculpture by Lynn Chadwick
Tapestries by Floyd and Margreth Brewer
6th Annual Winnipeg Show

Box 4

- 4-1 1962-63
The Artist Observed
Contemporary Quebec Painting
Drawings by John Ritchel
Early Painting in Canada
Japanese Child Art
Japanese Woodblock Prints
Lascaux - Six Upper Palaeolithic Paintings
Polish Posters
Saskatchewan Invitational Show
Sculpture-Ceramicists of Alberta
Sculpture Reproductions
Spanish Colonial Art
Sibyl Laubental Pottery
Three-Man Show of Ink Graphics by Tony Tascona, Bruce Head, and Frank Mikuska
Three-Man Show of Watercolours by Stanford Blodgett, Rolf Ungstad, and Stan Perrott
Tony Urquart
Watercolours by David Milns
Wynona Mulcaster
Young European Printmakers
- 4-2 1963-64
Ancient Buddhist paintings from Japan

Applied Arts of Early Quebec
Barker Fairley
2nd Burnaby National Print Show
Canadian Ceramics 1963
C.I.L. Paintings
Detta Lange Prints
Ernst Lindner
Fifteen Alberta Painters
Glen Black: Textiles
Janet Mitchell
Ladislav Kardos: Paintings
Lively Art from Moose Jaw Schools
Mac Drope: Some Paintings, Prints and Drawings
Many Aspects of Photography
The New Saskatoon Art Centre
Romanesque Paintings from Spain
Seven Years of Theatre in Winnipeg
Time of Gods: Photographs of Roloff Beny
Twenty Six Letters: Theme and Variations

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1964-65
American Ceramics
British Paintings
Bruno Bobak
Canadian Artists Series IX (Owen Chicoine and Patrick Landsley)
Cecil Richards Sculpture
Child Art (from the City of Edmonton)
Collage in the Sixties
Design in Industry
Early North American Pottery
Facsimile Drawings of the 19th and 20th Centuries
Group of Seven Sketches
Handcrafts from the Albertacraft Show 1964
Mashel Teitelbaum Paintings
Maxwell Bates
Polish Prints
Drawings by Saskatchewan Artists
Sculpture Group Show from B.C.
Surrealist Painters in Canada
Western Canada Landscapes

William Hogarth Engravings: A Bicentenary Exhibition
9th Annual Winnipeg Show
Women Painters of B.C.
The World Through One Eye: Photographs by Philip Pocock

Box 5

- 5-1 1965-66
All Alberta Show 1965
British Pottery
Canadian Ceramics '65
Contemporary American Prints
Creative Stitchery
Drohan and Drahanchuk Pottery
Dutch Drawings of the 15th, 16th and 17th Centuries (facsimiles)
Early Ontario Architecture
Gustav Klimt Drawings
Handblown Glass by Harvey K. Littleton and Erwin Eisch
Ivan Eyre Paintings
Katie Ohe: Single Sculpture
Marion Nicholl Paintings
Michael Ayrton Drawings
Miniature Prints
The Nude Figure: Facsimile Drawings
Otto Rogers: Single Sculpture
Otto Rogers: Heads
Phyllis Godwin Drawings
Shakespeare on Stage (photographs)
Tak Tanabe: One Man Show
Wallhangings by Mariette Rousseau-Vermette
Winnipeg Art Directors' Club Exhibition
Young Quebec Artists
- 5-2 1966-67
The Art of Writing
B.C. Watercolours, Drawings and Prints
Calligraphy by Bishop Kojo Sakamoto
Collages by Ihor Dmytruk
Drawings by Norman Yates
English Memorial Brasses

- Gordon Smith
Iain Baxter and Gary Lee Nova
Montreal Constructions
Northwest Coast Indian Masks
Photographs by Henry Kalen
Photographs by Jean Forest (from Paris)
Photographs of the Space Age
Prints by Winston Leathers
Reta Cowley, Dorothy Perehudoff, Grace Hogg (watercolours)
Toni Onley: Early and Recent Work
Watercolours of Canadian Wild Flowers by Robert Holmes
10th Annual Winnipeg Show
- 5-3 1967-68
Contemporary Prints from the National Gallery of Canada
Early Quebec Architecture
George Wood Paintings
Gregg Arnold: Paintings and Constructions
Hanna Kristmanson: Batiks
Japanese Woodblock Prints
LeRoy Stevenson: Paintings
Maxwell Bates and Eric Metcalfe: Watercolours
Notman Photographic Archives
Otto Rogers: Paintings
Persian and Indian Miniatures
Three Innocents: Paintings by Esther Rogatnick, Winifred Warters, and Hugh Calverly
- 5-4 1968-69:
Bill Epp: Sculpture
Bruce O'Neill: Paintings
Canada: A Year of the Land (Fall)
Canadian Universities Centennial Drawings Exhibition
Early Russian Icons
European Posters
George Swinton: Drawings
Hans Dommasch - Reflections (photographs)
Harry Kiyooka: Serigraphs
Man and His Environment
Man at Leisure and Play

Modern European Graphics
Montreal Graphic Guild
The Peter Dobush Donation
Prints by Japanese Schoolchildren
Sculpture Reproductions
Stanley Boxer: Drawings
Three Montreal Artists: Ayot, Wolfe, Gravel
11th Annual Winnipeg Show