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Guide to Collection

Alaskan Arts & Crafts Inc., ca. 1944-1970

MS 196

9 boxes

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HISTORICAL NOTE

The following is the History of Alaskan Arts & Crafts, Inc. as secured from the existing records on file:

In 1945 The Juneau Woman's Club with Mrs. James V. Cole as president and Alice Brandebury as Chairman of the Fine Arts Committee sponsored the first annual arts and crafts exhibit held in the Scottish Rite Temple, Juneau, Alaska.

This exhibit of the work of local artists and craftsmen was so successful that the club decided to continue stimulating workers toward greater creative activity by sponsoring another exhibit a year later. Exhibits were to be secured from individuals and organizations outside the Juneau area so that the exhibit would be more nearly representative of the work of the people throughout the Territory as well as interesting all the people in the tremendous possibilities for the development of the arts and crafts in Alaska.

In 1946, with Alice Brandebury acting as President, interest of individuals and groups throughout the Territory was so rewarding that the Executive Committee of the Exhibit voted to form a non-profit corporation, the Alaskan Arts and Crafts, Inc., to carry out the purposes formulated by the Committee and on a Territory-wide basis. Thus the Articles of Incorporation were filed in February of 1946.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

This collection consists of records related to the non-profit corporation Alaskan Arts & Crafts Inc. The items include registration cards, general correspondence, finance information, guest registers, exhibit information, Centennial Art Show - 1967 information, articles of incorporation and by-laws, and photographs of exhibited artwork and some artists.

INVENTORY

Box 1

Alaskan Arts & Crafts, Inc. 5 X 8 registration cards for exhibits

Box 2

AAC President's folder
Secretary Records 1962, 1961, 1960, 1959
General Correspondence - 1948 to Date [1958]
General Correspondence - 1944 to 1947
General Correspondence - 1950 to Date [1953]
Correspondence General [1956 -1959]

Spratling File
Correspondence - 1968 to [1970] [in blue cloth binder]

Box 3

Finances 1940s to 1960s

Box 4

Guest Registers

Box 5

Alaska[n] Arts and Crafts Membership List [in blue cloth binder]
Alaskan Arts and Crafts Inc., Programs
Miscellaneous Records - Various Years; Single Entry Ledger
Exhibits, Annual - Folder No. 1
Exhibits, Annual - Folder No. 2
Crafts Reference File
News Clippings
Art In America
Programs, Bulletins, Post Show Letters, Announcements, Catalogues

Box 6

Correspondence 1968 - Holm, Appel, Wilson, Belle, Piggot; Photographs - Holm, Eggert
1968 - M. Simpson, G. Smith
The "Jet-Set"; 1968 - Haines, Sitka, Petersburg, Wrangell; Photographs [none in envelope]
Photographs of exhibited artwork
Photographs 1970: Kathy Huffman, Bessie Visaya, Alice Cook, Diane Tillion, Pat Dick,
Dick Zagars,
Photos - Binder; 1947

Box 7

Centennial Art Show - 1967 [Cloth binder]: Agendas, minutes, current business;
publications; photographs; correspondence
Diary of Centennial Art Exhibit - From Jan. 5, 1967 to Oct. 3, 1967
Correspondence 1963-1967; Minutes 1962-1967 [binder]

Box 8

Articles of Incorporation (1946); Revised Articles of Incorporation (1967); Amendments to
Articles of Incorporation (1967, 1968); By-Laws, October 28, 1965 [cloth binder]
Incorporation, Certificate of
History of Alaskan Arts & Crafts
Articles of Incorporation, By-Laws
Potters Club:
Photograph - Virginia Korhonen, Marge Sands, Ruth Nelson, Elizabeth Brands,
Dorothy Renhard, Frankie Sanders, Maxine Davlin; Correspondence
Correspondence
Procedure Manual

Box 9 (*Located in MS Oversize*)

- 3 albums (PHOTOGRAPHS) - Photographs of the Displays at the Creative Arts and Crafts Exhibit. Juneau, Alaska. January 1946. Sponsored by the Juneau Woman's Club. Photographs by William L. Paul, Jr.
- 3 ring binder - Alaskan Arts and Crafts - Centennial Art Exhibit information, 1966-1967.
- Exhibit Register (RECORD) - 1945-1947 registers, paperwork, clippings, etc.
- Alaskan Arts and Crafts, Inc. - Juneau, Alaska. Completed exhibit registration cards ("Entry Blank For") - 1963-1966.
- Programs: "Alaskan Arts and Crafts, Inc. Presents the Twenty-Sixth Annual Creative Arts and Crafts Exhibit" 1970. Cover: Eskimo Walrus Skin Toss - Rie Munoz.