Louise Ballinger correspondence

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Summary Information

Repository
The Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts, The Dorothy and Kenneth Woodcock Archives

Creator
Louise Ballinger (1909-1998), Curator of the Schools

Title
Louise Ballinger correspondence

Date [bulk]
1943-1944

Date [inclusive]
1932-1979, undated

Extent
2 boxes

Location note

Language
English

Language of Materials note
Materials entirely in English

Abstract
Louise Ballinger was the curator of the school for Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts during the 1940s. This collection largely consists of personal correspondence received by Louise Ballinger sent from Raymond Ballinger. Letters from the 1930s reflect the courting phase of their relationship, while letters from the 1940s onward represent correspondence as a married couple.

Preferred Citation note
[identification of item], Title of Collection, Collection ID#, Pennsylvania Academy of the Fine Arts Archives, Philadelphia, PA.
Historical note

Curator of the Schools, 1944-1948.

Scope and Contents note

This collection largely consists of personal correspondence received by Louise Ballinger sent from Raymond Ballinger. Letters from the 1930s reflect the courting phase of their relationship, while letters from the 1940s onward represent correspondence as a married couple. Correspondence were sent by Raymond while he was at Aberdeen Ordinance School in Maryland and received by Louise while she was at PAFA.

Arrangement note

Correspondences are arranged chronologically. Undated materials are at the end along with a Miscellaneous folder.

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access note

Collection is open for research.

The archives reserves the right to restrict access to materials of sensitive nature. Please contact the department for further information.

Conditions Governing Use note

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Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Provenance note

In 2007, the Chestnut Hill Historical Society received the letters. In 2011, Peter Moak, a volunteer of the Historical Society, donated the collection to PAFA where it was received by Gale Rawson.

Processing Information note
Minimally processed by Hoang Tran, March 2015. Most letters are unfolded; envelopes are placed in front of the correspondence.

### Controlled Access Headings

- **Person(s)**
- **Corporate Name(s)**
- **Genre(s)**
- **Geographic Name(s)**
- **Subject(s)**

### Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements note

### Collection Inventory

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