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Summary Information

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Biographical / Historical

The Center for Book Arts in New York was founded in 1974 and was the first such organization founded, which is why New York is not an official part of the title. It was founded by book artist and printing historian Richard Minsky. The Center runs book arts educational programs, lectures, artist residences and memberships, and an exhibitions program.

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Summary

The archive includes their analog artist files (now these are digital and we are not collecting those), which document the work of most of the important book artists in the United States,

their educations and exhibition programs, other publicity materials, their contracts with artists and teachers, and relevant corporate records.

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Processing Information

Collection-level record describing unprocessed material made public in summer 2018 as part of the Hidden Collections initiative.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Artists' books (books)
- Bookbinding
- Books -- Format
- Commercial correspondence
- Contracts
- Exhibition Catalogs
- Occupation
- Minsky, Richard
- Center for Book Arts (New York, N.Y.)

Collection Inventory

Center for Book Arts (New York N.Y.) records, 1970s-2010

Title/Description	Instances
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