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Rare Book and Manuscript Library

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Summary Information

Repository:	Rare Book and Manuscript Library
Creator:	Macy, George
Title:	George Macy papers
ID:	4079075
ID:	MS#0832
Date [inclusive]:	1916-1970
Physical Description:	13 linear feet 4 volumes 13 boxes 1 oversize box 1 map case drawer
Language of the Material:	English .

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); George Macy papers; Box and Folder; Rare Book and Manuscript Library, Columbia University Library.

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Biographical / Historical

Founder of the Limited Editions Club and the Heritage Press.

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Summary

Letters, documents, and printed materials documenting Macy's publishing career, including that relating to the Nonesuch Press, dating from 1941 to 1960. Included also are photographs, awards, and financial papers. The correspondents include many of Macy's close friends including Peter Beilenson, William Rose Benét, Clifton Fadiman, Christopher Fry, Lillian Gish, Alec Guinness, Fritz Kredel, Frederic and Florence March, Francis Meynell, Bruce Rogers, Louis

Untermeyer, Carl Van Doren, and Lynd Ward. Also, miscellaneous engravings, lithographs, and drawings. The collection also includes 3 series of books: Macy-Masius Readers Club, Readers Club and Heritage Press. Macy Memorial Limited Addition Club books were cataloged individually as MACYMEM

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Arrangement

Selected materials cataloged; remainder. arranged by topic: Box 1, Cataloged cortrespondence, manuscripts & art works; Box 2, Biographical & printed ephemera; Box 3, Nonesuch Press; Box 4 & 5, Heritage Club production files; Box 6, Production files for Aesop, Fielding, Carmen & Michelangelo; Box 7, Miscellaneous production files; Box 8, Business papers; Box 9, Financial records of the Limited Editions Club & the Heritage Club; Box 10, George Macy financial records & miscellaneous inscribed books; Box 11, Biographical file & Nonesuch Press (1976 gift); Box 12, Production files (1976 gift); Box 13, Memorabilia-awards, plaques & medals (1978 bequest); Flatbox 331, Oversize package of memorabilia (1978 bequest); Scrapbook of clippings, mainly the Limited Editions Club; Map case, Oversized art works; Three volumes in slipcases (shelved).

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Administrative Information

Publication Statement

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Revision Description

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Restrictions on Access

The following boxes are located off-site: Boxes 2-13. You will need to request this material at least three business days in advance to use the collection in the Rare Book and Manuscript Library reading room.

Restrictions on Access

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Immediate Source of Acquisition

Source of acquisition--Macy, Helen, Mrs. Method of acquisition--Gift; Date of acquisition--1975. Accession number--M-75.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Helen Macy, 1975 & 1976.

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Bequest of Helen Macy, 1978.

Processing Information

Cataloged Christina Hilton Fenn 08/--/89.

Accruals

Materials may have been added to the collection since this finding aid was prepared. Contact rbml@columbia.edu for more information.

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Related Materials

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See also the Art Collection for a portrait of George Macy by Norman Rockwell and a portrait of Helen Macy by Serge Ivanoff See also

Related Materials

Macy Memorial Collection (Limited Editions Club) - collection of books, individually cataloged. <https://clio.columbia.edu/catalog/15429941>

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Controlled Access Headings

- Fine books
- Limited editions
- Block printing
- Book design
- Illustrated books
- Illustration of books
- Publishers and publishing -- Awards
- Publishers and publishing
- Literature publishing
- Scholarly publishing
- Artists' proofs
- Signatures (names)
- Awards
- Book illustrations
- Bookplates
- Calligraphy
- Charcoal drawings
- Collages (visual works)
- Crayon drawings
- Decorations
- Drawings (visual works)
- Engravings (prints)
- Etchings (prints)
- Financial records
- Frontispieces (illustrations)

- Gouaches (paintings)
- Illustrations
- Pen and ink drawings
- Inscriptions
- Invitations
- Linocuts (prints)
- Lithographs
- Manuscripts (documents)
- Maps (documents)
- Pencil drawings
- Photographs
- Plaques (flat objects)
- Poems
- Printing plates
- Prints
- Proofs (printed matter)
- Relief prints
- Scrapbooks
- Screen prints
- Sketches
- Tempera paintings
- Proofs (prints by function)
- Wash drawings
- watercolors (painting)
- Wood engravings (prints)
- Woodcuts (prints)
- Actors
- Actresses
- Artists
- Bookplate designers
- Calligraphers
- Editors
- Engravers
- Etchers
- Illustrators
- Lithographers
- Poets
- Printmakers
- Printers
- Serigraphers
- Type designers
- Watercolorists
- Wood-engravers
- Artzybasheff, Boris, 1899-1965
- Austen, John
- Ayrton, Michael, 1921-1975
- Bawden, Edward, 1903-1989

- Beilenson, Peter, 1905-1962
- Bendix, Hans, 1898-1984
- Benét, William Rose, 1886-1950
- Ben Sussan, René
- Benton, Thomas Hart, 1889-1975
- Buday, György, 1907-1990
- Busoni, Rafaello, 1900-1962
- Cantwell, Robert, 1908-1978
- Carter, Will, 1912-2001
- Cerf, Bennett, 1898-1971
- Chappell, Warren, 1904-1991
- Cleland, T. M (Thomas Maitland), 1880-1964
- Dwiggin, W. A (William Addison), 1880-1956
- Eichenberg, Fritz, 1901-1990
- Ellis, Richard W (Richard Williamson), 1895-1982
- Fadiman, Clifton, 1904-1999
- Floethe, Richard
- Freedman, Barnett, 1901-1958
- Fry, Christopher, 1907-2005
- Galanis, Démétrius Emmanuel, 1882-1966
- Gid, Raymond
- Gish, Lillian, 1893-1993
- Guinness, Alec, 1914-2000
- Hardwicke, Cedric, 1893-1964
- Hirschfeld, Al
- Jackson, Everett Gee, 1900-1995
- Kredel, Fritz, 1900-1973
- Krohg, Per, 1889-1965
- Lamotte, Bernard, 1903-1983
- March, Frederic
- March, Florence
- Masereel, Frans, 1889-1972
- Matisse, Henri, 1869-1954
- Mayes, Herbert R (Herbert Raymond), 1900-1987
- Meynell, Francis, 1891-1975
- Moyers, William
- Mugnaini, Joseph A
- Neufeld, Woldemar, 1909-2002
- Nichols, Dale, 1904-1995
- Parker, Agnes Miller, 1895-1980
- Picasso, Pablo, 1881-1973
- Ransom, Will, 1878-1955
- Rockwell, Norman, 1894-1978
- Rogers, Bruce, 1870-1957
- Rutherston, Albert, 1881-1953
- Ryskind, Morrie, 1895-1985
- Sewell, Helen, 1896-1957

- Sheets, Millard, 1907-1989
- Shenton, Edward, 1895-1977
- Simon, Herbert
- Simon, Howard, 1903-1979
- Steiner-Prag, Hugo, 1880-1945
- Untermeyer, Louis, 1885-1977
- Van Doren, Carl, 1885-1950
- Ward, Lynd, 1905-1985
- Wilson, Edward A (Edward Arthur), 1886-1970
- Limited Editions Club
- Nonesuch Press
- Heritage Press (New York, N.Y.)

Collection Inventory

Series I: Cataloged Correspondence and Manuscripts

Title/Description	Instances
Beilenson, Peter	box 1
Benét, William Rose	box 1
Cantwell, Robert	box 1
Cerf, Bennett	box 1
Chappell, Warren	box 1
Cleland, Thomas Maitland	box 1
Ellis, Richard	box 1
Fadiman, Clifton	box 1
Fry, Christopher	box 1
Gid, Raymond	box 1
Gish, Lillian	box 1
Guinness, Alec	box 1
Hardwicke, Cedric	box 1
Kredel, Fritz	box 1
March, Florence Eldridge (Mrs. Fredric)	box 1
March, Fredric	box 1
Mayes, Herbert R.	box 1
Meynell, Francis	box 1

Ransom, Will	box 1
Rockwell, Norman	box 1
Rogers, Bruce	box 1
Ryskind, Morrie	box 1
Sheets, Millard	box 1
Untermeyer, Louis	box 1
Van Doren, Carl	box 1
Ward, Lynd	box 1
Wilson, Edward Arthur	box 1

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Series II: Cataloged Drawings, Etchings, and Other Art Work

Title/Description	Instances
Austen, John	box 1
Bawden, Edward	mapcase 13-D-6
Buday, György	mapcase 13-D-6
Chappell, Warren	box 1
Cleland, Thomas Maitland	mapcase 13-D-6
Dwiggins, William Addison	box 1
Eichenberg, Fritz	mapcase 13-D-6
Falké, Pierre	box 1
Floethe, Richard	mapcase 13-D-6
Galanis, Démétrius Emmanuel	mapcase 13-D-6
Lamotte, Bernard	box 1
Matisse, Henri--Four Engraved Plates for Joyce's <i>Ulysses</i> <u>Physical Description</u> : Volume in slipcase	item Macy-Matisse
Mugnaini, Joseph A.	mapcase 13-D-6
Picasso, Pablo--Engraved Plate for Aristophanes' <i>Lysistrata</i>	

<u>Physical Description</u> : Volume in slipcase	item Macy-Picasso
Petrina, Carlotta	mapcase 13-D-6
Rutherston, Albert Daniel	box 1
Sheets, Millard	mapcase 13-D-6
Simon, Howard	box 1
Steiner-Prag, Hugo	mapcase 13-D-6
Utpatel, Frank	mapcase 13-D-6
Ward, Lynd	mapcase 13-D-6
Unidentified	mapcase 13-D-6

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Series III: Other Papers

Title/Description	Instances
Biographical and printed ephemera	box 2
Biographical and printed ephemera	box 2A
Nonesuch Press	box 3
Heritage Club production files	box 4
Heritage Club production files	box 5
Production files for Aesop, Fielding, Carmen, and Michelangelo	box 6
Miscellaneous production files	box 7
Business papers	box 8
Financial records of the Limited Editions Club and the Heritage Club	box 9
George Macy financial records and miscellaneous inscribed books	box 10
Biographical file and Nonesuch Press	box 11

Immediate Source of Acquisition

1976 Gift

Production files box 12

Immediate Source of Acquisition

1976 Gift

Memorabilia--Awards, plaques, and medals box 13

Immediate Source of Acquisition

1978 Bequest

Oversize package of memorabilia flatbox 317

Immediate Source of Acquisition

1978 Bequest

Scrapbook of clippings flatbox 317

Scope and Contents

Mainly the Limited Editions Club

Liber Amicorum, 1954 May 11 item Macy-Liber
Physical Description: Volume in slipcase

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