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**INDIANA ARTISTS' CLUB, INC. RECORDS  
ADDITION, 1922-2012**

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## COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 4 manuscript boxes, 1 half size manuscript box, 1 folder cold storage color photographs, 5 envelopes of Polaroids, 1 folder of slides, 3 DVDs

COLLECTION DATES: 1922-2012

PROVENANCE: Indiana Artists' Club, Inc., Columbus, IN

RESTRICTIONS: None

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RELATED HOLDINGS: Indiana Artists' Club Records, M0330; Indiana Artists' Club, Inc. Records Addition, M1320

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## **HISTORICAL SKETCH**

The Indiana Artists' Club was organized on January 23, 1917 in Indianapolis by a group of professional artists. Included in this group were Carl Graf, Otto Stark, T. C. Steele, Waymen Adams, Simon Baus, Paul Hadley, Randolph Coats, Frederick Polley, Clifton Wheeler and William Forsyth. Membership was limited to professional artists (painters, sculptors, etc.). Non-artists who were interested in the promotion of art were invited to join as associate members. The club was incorporated as a non-profit organization on September 24, 1947. The purpose of the club was to promote the artistic interests of its members and the community. To fulfill this goal, the club has assisted in the creation of the Indiana Federation of Art Clubs and the Hoosier Salon Patrons Association. The primary activity of the club is the annual exhibition of members' work. The early exhibitions were displayed at a variety of places, but in 1935 the show moved to the L.S. Ayres Department Store Auditorium where it was held for many years. Other activities of the club include the publishing of the Art Program Directory, sponsoring an annual costume ball and various other social events, sponsoring a traveling show consisting of work displayed at the annual exhibition, annual donations to Indiana schools and colleges, and other projects, including the preservation of the state owned T.C. Steele Memorial and the rescue and restoration of the murals at the Marion County General Hospital.

Sources:

<https://indianahistory.org/wp-content/uploads/indiana-artists-club-inc-1922-1992.pdf>

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This records addition has been divided into four series. The first three series contain programs from the club's Annual Exhibitions, club correspondence, Board Minutes and other administrative items, newsletters and yearbooks. The fourth series is the visual items which include Polaroid and color photographs, color slides, and born digital content that document exhibit submissions, exhibitions, and club events from 1966 to 2007.

Individuals or artists identified in the visuals include: Mary Ann Meese, Shirley Despot, Mildred Niesse, Anne Duncan, Wilbur Meese, Lillian Dunnigan, Fred Rigley, Ruth Anderson, Crawford Donnelly, Jim Horton, Flo Jagger, Grant Christian, and Louise Johnson, Sharon Theobald, Harry A. Davis, Lois Davis, Robert Crawford, David Dale, Mrs. Dale, Vi Walton, Sara Hurt, Ruth Pritchard, Grace Payne, Alice Cook, Jean Belser, Neil Dunnigan, Phillipa Hughes, Lenore Daily, Evelynne Mess Daily, Ruth Kothe, Wilson Daily, Janelle Ashby, Bill Ashby, Mr. Kirby, Amanda Kirby, Barbara Kysar, Mr. Kysar, E. Roger Frey, Doe Crapo, Fletcher Cross, Mary Martin, Shirley Little, Mrs. Fletcher Cross, Shirley Little, Xavier Adams, Anna Jones, Dr. Jones, Grace Payne, Dorothy Adams, Lillian Dunnigan, Sarah Hurt, Flo Jagger, Elmer Tafflinger, Rosemary Lawton Thomas, Rosemary Beck, Rob O'Dell, Frank Vieter, Henry Bell, Cynthia Blasingham, Jerry Botzum, Betty Boyle, Mark Burkett, Thea Clarke, R. W. Crawford, Shirley Despot, Rosa Maria C. Dies, Mark Dillman, William Duncan, Sandy Ezell, Joel A. Fremion, Jacki Frey, Rosanna Hardin Hall, Louise B. Hanson, Patricia Hooper, Julie M. Houck, Corrine Hull, Cheryle Lowe, Jeanne McLeish, Ronald Mack, Charlene Marsh, Beverly Mathis, Susan Mauck, Bob Meyers, Pamela Newell, John Oilar, Gail Overpeck, Patte Owings, Leonor Papai, Greg Persell, Jerry Points, Shirley Quakenbush, J. Rodney Reveal, Patricia Rhoden Bartles, J. Anna Roberts, Ginny Taylor Rosner, Donna Shortt, Jerry Smith, Hattie Stanton, Ray Stevens, Carol Strock-Wasson, James Weaver, Tricia Heiser, Libby Whipple, Jane Hunt Wiley, and April Willy.

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