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***INDIANAPOLIS ARCHITECTURE: TRANSFORMATIONS SINCE
1975 PHOTOGRAPHS, 1975–1993***

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 box of black-and-white photographs, 1 half-size box of black-and-white photographs, 1 half-size box of color photographs, copy of the book *Indianapolis Architecture: Transformations Since 1975* (published in 1993)

COLLECTION DATES: 1975–1993

PROVENANCE: Gift from the Indiana Architectural Foundation, Indianapolis, 2003

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HISTORICAL SKETCH

Indianapolis Architecture: Transformations Since 1975 is a guidebook that was published in 1993 as an update to *Indianapolis Architecture*, which was published by the Indiana Architectural Foundation in 1975 with the goal of creating an awareness of the city's architecture. It documents construction, restoration, and preservation of buildings within the city and its surrounding areas. Nine districts are designated: Mile Square, Regional Center, Northside I, Northside II, Fall Creek Valley, Eastside, Southside, Westside, and 86th Street Corridor.

In 1992 the Indiana Architectural Foundation contacted all Indianapolis architectural firms to solicit their nominations for buildings to be included in the guidebook. Buildings by more than a hundred architectural firms are represented in the book, with more than one-third of the firms being from outside of Indianapolis. The Foundation intended for individuals to use the book as a reference to learn more about the architecture that one interacts with daily as well as to understand the changing shifts in culture and its impact on architecture throughout history.

Sources:

Materials in collection

Gadski, Mary Ellen, editor. *Indianapolis Architecture: Transformations Since 1975*. Indianapolis: Indiana Architectural Foundation, 1993. NA735.I55 I54 1993

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

This collection is composed of a copy of the 1993 book, *Indianapolis Architecture: Transformations Since 1975*, and 349 photographs of buildings in the Indianapolis area that were submitted for inclusion in the book. The majority of these photographs were published in the book, although a few were not. Most of the photographs are black-and-white; 51 are in color and must be requested in advance by researchers who wish to view them (see Restrictions on page 1 of this collection guide).

The photographs are organized in numerical order by numbers with which they were already labeled when this collection was received for processing. Color photographs are housed separately from black-and-white photographs. Many of the photographs are numbered in their lower left-hand corners, but beginning in box 2, folder 3, some numbers are written on the backs instead. Some numbers are missing. The numbers on the photographs do not correlate to how the photographs are numbered in the book. Many of the buildings are identified by their occupants at the time the book was published in 1993; some of the occupants have since moved elsewhere or changed their names.

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