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Summary Information

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Biographical/Historical note

Blanchette Ferry Hooker was born in New York City on October 2, 1909, the youngest of the four daughters of Blanche Ferry, an heiress to the Ferry seed fortune, and Elon Huntington Hooker, an engineer and president of the Hooker Electro-Chemical Company. From 1918 through 1927 she was a student at Miss Chapin's School for Girls. During her childhood Blanchette acquired a nickname, "Hookie," by which she would be known to family and close friends throughout her life.

In 1927 she began her studies at Vassar College, which culminated with an A.B. degree in music in 1931. Blanchette was president of her senior class and was voted the "Most Perfect Lady" as well as the "Most Respected" member of her graduating class. A year later (November 11, 1932) she married John D. Rockefeller 3rd, the eldest of the five sons of John D. Rockefeller Jr., at the Riverside Church in New York City. Together they raised four children. They maintained principal residences in New York City and at Fieldwood Farm in Mt. Pleasant in Westchester County, New York.

Blanchette Rockefeller began her life-long involvement in New York City's charitable and civic activities by joining the Community Service Society in 1933 as a member of its Central Council. She was also a trustee of the Brearley School, Vassar College, and The Juilliard School. Mrs. Rockefeller's lengthy affiliation with the Museum of Modern Art began in 1949 with her role as founding chairman of its Junior Council. She served the museum in various capacities (including two terms as president) until her election as President Emeritus in 1987.

From 1974 to 1980 Mrs. Rockefeller was a member of the National Council on the Humanities. She was appointed to the New York State Council on the Arts in 1979, and was re-appointed in 1981 for a six-year term. In 1985 she was elected to the Board of the Vivian Beaumont Theater. Her memberships included the New York Philharmonic Symphony Society, the English-Speaking Union, the American Federation of Arts, the Riverside Church, and the River Club as well as numerous other leading cultural institutions.

Mrs. Rockefeller shared many of her husband's philanthropic interests. She was a member of the Asia Society, which he founded, as well as a member of both the Society's Gallery Advisory Committee and the Friends of Asia House. She was also a member of the Gallery Committee of the Japan Society and of the American Advisory Committee to the Japan Foundation. Their deep interest in Asia and Asian art had begun in the early 1950s with Mr. Rockefeller's appointment to John Foster Dulles' Peace Treaty Mission to Japan, a country that would become almost a second home to the couple.

Throughout their marriage, Blanchette and John D. Rockefeller 3rd devoted a great deal of time to art collecting. They gradually assembled world-class collections of Asian and American art which were donated to the Asia Society and to San Francisco's DeYoung Museum respectively.

Blanchette Ferry Hooker Rockefeller died from Alzheimer's disease complicated by pneumonia on November 29, 1992, at her home in Mt. Pleasant. She was 83 years old. A memorial service was held at the Riverside Church in New York City on December 4 of that year.

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Scope and Contents note

The papers of Blanchette Ferry Hooker Rockefeller (1909-1992), which span the years 1884-1994, document the various roles Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd played in her lifetime, including that of daughter, wife, mother, daughter-in-law, aunt, friend, philanthropist, art collector, and political fundraiser. The papers contain her personal and family correspondence, photographs, and memorabilia as well as the records generated by her philanthropic activities. They provide information on her ancestors; education; relationships with family members, friends, and associates; travels; and on her social concerns and benevolences. While the bulk of the papers deals with Mrs. Rockefeller's lifetime, some items relating to her forebears predate her birth. Due to shared interests and activities in many areas, Mrs. Rockefeller's papers parallel and complement the papers of her husband, John D. Rockefeller 3rd, which are also housed at the Rockefeller Archive Center and which are open to researchers.

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Arrangement note

The papers of Blanchette H. Rockefeller are divided into the following seven series:

Series 1 - Hooker and Ferry Families Files, 1745, 1884-1992 Series 2 - Rockefeller Family Files, 1932-1991 Series 3 - Subject Files, 1933-1994 Series 4 - Museum of Modern Art Files, 1951-1992 Series 5 - Political Files, 1961-1992 Series 6 - Restricted material Series 7 - Photographs

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Processing Information note

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Immediate Source of Acquisition note

The forty-five cubic feet of material that comprise the Blanchette H. Rockefeller (BHR) Papers were transferred to the Rockefeller Archive Center from the Rockefeller family offices in New York City in five installments from February through April 1995.

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Related Materials

Related Archival Materials note

The most significant collections at the Rockefeller Archive Center containing material relevant to the life and work of Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller are all part of the Rockefeller Family Archives. They include the Abby Aldrich Rockefeller papers, which form series Series AA of the Office of the Messrs Rockefeller records; the Nelson A. Rockefeller papers, Personal, Series C.3 Art, Series H Family and Friends, and Series L Projects (under Museums - MoMA); and the John D. Rockefeller 3rd papers.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Arts

- Rockefeller, Blanchette Hooker, 1909-1992 -- Political activity
- Art -- Collectors and collecting
- Art
- Philanthropy
- Museum of Modern Art (New York, N.Y.)
- Rockefeller, Blanchette Hooker
- Rockefeller family
- Rockefeller, John D.

Physical Characteristics and Technical Requirements

Materials requiring specialized equipment for access (film, audio, video, slides) may be closed to research dependent on availability of the applicable equipment

Brittle or damaged items, or materials otherwise in need of preservation care, may be closed to researchers at the discretion of the RAC Head of Archival Services/Head of Reference.

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Collection Inventory

Hooker and Ferry Families Files, 1745, 1884-1992

Physical Description: 5 Cubic Feet 11 Boxes

Scope and Contents note

This series contains personal family correspondence, wills and estate settlement papers, photographs, albums, and biographical and genealogical information regarding Blanchette Rockefeller's parents, siblings, grandparents, and ancestors. Mrs. Rockefeller, a descendant of Massachusetts Colony pastor Thomas Hooker, was the daughter of Elon H. Hooker, a civil engineer and founder of the Hooker Electrochemical Company who was active in Republican politics. A friend of and advisor to Theodore Roosevelt, Elon Hooker was a candidate for the Republican nomination for the governorship of New York in 1920. He was also chairman of the Committee on Internal Trade and Improvements of the Chamber of Commerce of the State of New York. This series contains speeches and articles by Hooker as well as ephemera from his gubernatorial campaign. Material on the history of the electrochemical company will also be found here (box 8).

Blanchette's mother, Blanche Ferry, was the daughter of the founder of the Detroit-based seed company, D. M. Ferry and Co., a predecessor of the Ferry-Morse Seed Co. (Information on the seed companies, including an 1896 brochure entitled "Extra Early Blanche Ferry Sweet Pea," can be found in box 1 of this series.) Blanche Ferry's wedding to Elon Hooker in 1901 is documented here as well as her role as the mother of four daughters: Barbara, Adelaide, Helen, and Blanchette. Of special interest in these files are the letters written by and about Blanchette during her childhood (box 4). (Note that letters written to Blanche Ferry Hooker upon the engagement and wedding of her daughter Blanchette to John D. Rockefeller 3rd will be found in boxes 26, 50, and 51 of the Subject Series.)

Additionally, this series provides ample evidence of the deep affection Mrs. Rockefeller had for her sisters and their families. She tended to the needs of various family members, including those of her never-married oldest sister, Barbara, who suffered from mental illness. Mrs. Rockefeller's sister Adelaide married the best-selling novelist John P. Marquand. Her sister Helen, an artist and poet, was first married to Ernest O'Malley, a prominent figure in the Irish Republican movement who began his connection with the cause at the age of 18 during the Easter Week uprising of 1916. Throughout her life Mrs. Rockefeller corresponded with and remained close and attentive to her sisters, nieces, and nephews.

Title/Description	Instances	
Ferry Family - Coat of Arms	box 1	folder 1
Ferry Family - Genealogical Material	box 1	folder 2
Ferry Family - Historical Study, 1984	box 1	folder 3
Ferry Family - Coonley, Queene Ferry, 1901-1962	box 1	folder 4
Ferry Family - Faulkner, Elizabeth Ferry Coonley, 1979-1990	box 1	folder 5
Ferry Family - Ferry, Dexter Mason and Descendants, 1898-1987	box 1	folder 6
Ferry Family - Ferry, Dexter Mason - "86 Years and the Seed Company in Detroit", 1942	box 1	folder 7
Ferry Family - Ferry, Dexter, 1972-1992	box 1	folder 8
Ferry Family - Ferry, Edith, 1884-1990	box 1	folder 9
Ferry Family - Ferry, Edith (Hooper), 1987	box 1	folder 10
Ferry Family - Ferry, Jean (Davis), 1979, 1983	box 1	folder 11
Ferry Family - Ferry, W. Hawkins, 1963-1988	box 1	folder 12
Ferry Family - Ferry Morse Seed Company, 1960-1963	box 1	folder 13
Ferry Family - Ferry Morse Seed Company, 1964	box 1	folder 14
Ferry Family - Ferry Morse Seed Company, 1965-1968	box 2	folder 15
Ferry Family - Ferry Morse Seed Company, 1969	box 2	folder 16
Hooker Family - Coat of Arms	box 2	folder 17
Hooker Family - Genealogy, 1935-1991	box 2	folder 18
Hooker Family - Historical Material, 1745, 1932	box 2	folder 19
Hooker Family - Correspondence, 1942-1991	box 2	folder 20
Hooker Family - Occidental Oil, 1934-1975	box 2	folder 21
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Correspondence, 1916, 1922, 1933	box 2	folder 22
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Correspondence, 1939-1951	box 2	folder 23
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Correspondence, 1958-1992	box 2	folder 24

Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Trust, 1939-1992	box 3	folder 25
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Trust, 1939-1992	box 3	folder 26
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Trust, 1939-1992	box 3	folder 27
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Trust, 1939-1992	box 3	folder 28
Hooker Family - Hooker, Barbara Ferry - Trust, 1939-1992	box 3	folder 29
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Wedding to Elon Hooker, 1901	box 4	folder 30
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Correspondence About Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1910-1913	box 4	folder 31
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Correspondence About Daughters, 1919-1920	box 4	folder 32
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Correspondence to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1919, 1929-1951	box 4	folder 33
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - 82nd Birthday, 1953	box 4	folder 34
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Miscellany, 1921-1956	box 4	folder 35
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Death - Condolence Letters to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1956	box 4	folder 36
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Death - Condolence Letters to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1956	box 4	folder 37
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate, 1956	box 4	folder 38
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate, 1957-1960	box 5	folder 39
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Miscellaneous Correspondence, 1956-1957	box 5	folder 40
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller Trust, 1957-1991	box 5	folder 41
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller Trust, 1957-1991	box 5	folder 42
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller Trust, 1957-1991	box 5	folder 43
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Ferry-Milfer Trust, 1960	box 5	folder 44
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Hooker Employees, 1956-1985	box 5	folder 45
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Legal Papers, 1956-1960	box 6	folder 46
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Legal Papers, 1956-1960	box 6	folder 47
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Legal Papers, 1956-1960	box 6	folder 48

Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Legal Papers, 1956-1960	box 6	folder 49
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Legal Papers, 1956-1960	box 6	folder 50
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Marquand and Roelofs, 1956-1957	box 7	folder 51
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Metropolitan Opera Gift, 1959	box 7	folder 52
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Securities Statements, 1956-1960	box 7	folder 53
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Securities Statements, 1956-1960	box 7	folder 54
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Securities Statements, 1956-1960	box 7	folder 55
Hooker Family - Hooker, Blanche Ferry - Estate - Securities Statements, 1956-1960	box 7	folder 56
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Correspondence, 1895-1974	box 8	folder 57
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Cornell University Memorial Fellowship Fund, 1965-1972	box 8	folder 58
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Estate Settlement, 1938-1940	box 8	folder 59
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Newspaper Clippings and Articles, 1917-1938, n.d.	box 8	folder 60
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Obituaries, 1938	box 8	folder 61
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Speeches and Articles, 1894, 1896, 1915-1937	box 8	folder 62
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Speeches and Articles, 1894, 1896, 1915-1937	box 8	folder 63
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - Speeches and Articles - Muscle Shoals Propositions, 1924-1926	box 8	folder 64
Hooker Family - Hooker, Elon H. - University of Rochester Hooker Fund, 1947	box 8	folder 65
Hooker Family - Hooker, Harry Mix - Tribute Booklet, 1949	box 8	folder 66
Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker, 1932-1963	box 9	folder 67
Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker - Condolence Letters on Death of, 1963	box 9	folder 68
Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker - Estate, 1963-1989	box 9	folder 69

Conditions Governing Access:

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Restricted - Confidential material.

Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker - Contributions in Memory of, 1963-1965	box 9	folder 70
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Restricted - Confidential material.

Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker - Trusts Under Will of, 1968-1987	box 9	folder 71
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Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker - Trusts Under Will of, 1968-1987	box 9	folder 72
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Hooker Family - Marquand, Adelaide Hooker - Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller Trust for Children of, 1976-1982	box 9	folder 73
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Conditions Governing Access:

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Restricted - Confidential material.

Hooker Family - Marquand, Sabina Ferry, 1958-1990	box 9	folder 74
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Restricted material.

Hooker Family - Marquand, Timothy, 1959-1991	box 9	folder 75
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Hooker Family - O'Malley, Cahal Hooker - Correspondence, 1951-1963, 1975-1991	box 10	folder 76
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Hooker Family - O'Malley, Cahal Hooker - Correspondence, 1951-1963, 1975-1991	box 10	folder 77
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Hooker Family - O'Malley, Cahal Hooker - Report Cards, 1952-1955	box 10	folder 78
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Hooker Family - O'Malley, Cahal Hooker - Children of, 1966-1989	box 10	folder 79
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Hooker Family - O'Malley, Cormac K. H., 1979-1992	box 10	folder 80
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Hooker Family - Roelofs, Helen Hooker O'Malley - Correspondence, 1912, 1932-1977	box 10	folder 83
Hooker Family - Roelofs, Helen Hooker O'Malley - Correspondence, 1912, 1932-1977	box 10	folder 84
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Hooker Family - Roelofs, Helen Hooker O'Malley - Legal and Financial, 1948-1988	box 11	folder 86
Hooker Family - Roelofs, Helen Hooker O'Malley - Legal and Financial, 1948-1988	box 11	folder 87
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Hooker Family - Roelofs, Helen Hooker O'Malley - Poetry, 1967-1989	box 11	folder 92

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Rockefeller Family Files, 1932-1991

Physical Description: 0.3 Cubic Feet 1 Box

Scope and Contents note

This series is composed mostly of letters sent to Mrs. Rockefeller by members of the Rockefeller family. The letters provide evidence of the warm relationships between her and the various family members. Of special interest are the letters between Mrs. Rockefeller and her parents-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., who enthusiastically welcomed Blanchette into their family. Also of note in this series are the letters, postcards, and telegrams sent to Mrs. Rockefeller by her husband during his travels.

Title/Description	Instances	
Rockefeller, Abby Aldrich - Letters to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1933-1935	box 12	folder 93
Rockefeller, Blanchette Hooker - Letters to Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller, Jr., 1932-1936	box 12	folder 94
Rockefeller, John D., Jr. - Letters to/from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1933-1956	box 12	folder 95
Rockefeller, John D., Jr. - Letters to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1932-1957	box 12	folder 96

Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1931-1932	box 12	folder 97
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters to Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1937, 1940	box 12	folder 98
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller - from Europe, 1946	box 12	folder 99
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller - from Asia, 1947	box 12	folder 100
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller - from Africa, 1948	box 12	folder 101
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller - from Latin America, 1951	box 12	folder 102
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller - from Japan, 1952	box 12	folder 103
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Letters from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller - from Europe, 1956	box 12	folder 104
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Miscellaneous Papers, n.d., 1919, 1946-1949	box 12	folder 105
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Telegrams to/from Blanchette Hooker Rockefeller, 1932, 1934	box 12	folder 106
Rockefeller, John D., 3rd - Gift/Flower Cards, n.d.	box 12	folder 107
Rockefeller, Mary Todhunter Clark, 1952-1991	box 12	folder 108
Rockefeller, Nelson A. - Condolences on Death of, 1979	box 12	folder 109

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Subject Files, 1933-1994

Physical Description: 16 Cubic Feet 40 Boxes

Scope and Contents note

Mrs. Rockefeller's personal papers as well as the files from the organizations for which she labored were maintained in one alphabetical subject sequence.

Of a personal nature are records relating to Mrs. Rockefeller's art collection, debut, education, engagement, household maintenance, financial management, travels, and wedding. Her personal correspondence, which was maintained alphabetically, will also be found in this series (boxes 40 and 41). Of special note is a scrapbook containing photographs, invitations, brochures, newspaper clippings, and other ephemera and memorabilia documenting Mrs. Rockefeller's life prior to her engagement. (The scrapbook was separated from this series and placed in the Photographs series.) Also of interest are the files relating to her engagement (box 26) and wedding (boxes 50 through 52) to John D. Rockefeller 3rd. A letter and a drawing from Violet Oakley, a popular illustrator, muralist, and social activist, are part of the wedding files. Oakley, a friend of the Hooker family and a leading proponent of the League of Nations, presented a pen-and-ink drawing to the couple upon the occasion of their marriage (separated to Photographs series.)

Also of a personal nature is the correspondence between Blanchette and John D. Rockefeller 3rd and members of the Rowntree family in England (boxes 43 and 44). Mr. and Mrs. Rockefeller agreed in 1940 to take Benjamin and David, two of the young sons of Peter and Bessie Rowntree, into their home until it was deemed safe for the boys to return to war-ravaged England. For four years the boys lived with the Rockefeller family. The letters offer insights into life on both sides of the Atlantic during World War II.

The balance of the papers in this series reflects Mrs. Rockefeller's social concerns and philanthropic endeavors. Shortly after her marriage in 1932, Mrs. Rockefeller began her involvement in charitable and civic activities by joining the Central Council of the Community Service Society (see box 24). Throughout her marriage (and particularly after her children were grown), Mrs. Rockefeller served on committees and as a board member for a number of organizations as well as on a variety of governmental commissions and panels. Though numerous, Mrs. Rockefeller's involvement with these organizations and institutions was never casual. For example, in a November 1939 letter to the National Board of the YMCA (box 52) she gave a lengthy and thoughtful enumeration of her reasons for resigning from the board. Her efforts would be whole-hearted or not at all. This series documents the dedication of Mrs. Rockefeller and the scope of her contributions (of both time and money) to a variety of organizations and agencies, including the Asia Society, Japan Society, Lincoln Center, and the New York State Council on the Arts.

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American Association of Museums, (1975-1986)-1991	box 13	folder 112
American Red Cross - Pocantico Hills War Relief Committee, 1940-1941	box 13	folder 113
American Red Cross - Courses, 1943	box 13	folder 114
Appointment Books and Desk Diaries, 1947, 1949, 1950	box 13	folder 115
Appointment Books and Desk Diaries, 1973-1979	box 14	folder 0115A
Appointment Books and Desk Diaries, 1979-1992	box 15	folder 0115B
Archives of American Art - Oral History, 1970	box 16	folder 116
Arts - Arts and Business Council (New York City), 1976-1988	box 16	folder 117
Arts - Business Committee for the Arts, 1979-1983	box 16	folder 118
Arts - The Municipal Art Society, 1981-1983	box 16	folder 119
Asia Society - Correspondence, 1959, 1961, (1978-1992)	box 16	folder 120
Asia Society - Correspondence, 1959, 1961, (1978-1992)	box 16	folder 121
Asia Society - Asia House Gallery, 1961-1979	box 16	folder 122
Asia Society - Asia House Gallery, 1961-1979	box 16	folder 123
Asia Society - Asia Society Galleries, 1981-1992	box 16	folder 124
Asia Society - Asia Society Galleries - Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller 3rd Collection, 1967-1987	box 17	folder 125
Asia Society - New Headquarters	box 17	folder 126

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April 4, 1981 Installation, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Rockefeller
3rd Collection, 1981

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Asia Society - New Headquarters - Special Events, 1967-1992	box 17	folder 128
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Asian Cultural Council - Correspondence, 1979-1986	box 17	folder 130
Asian Cultural Council - Correspondence, 1987-1993	box 18	folder 131
Asian Cultural Council - Correspondence, 1987-1993	box 18	folder 132
Asian Cultural Council - Meeting Agendas and Minutes, 1983-1991	box 18	folder 133
Asian Cultural Council - Meeting Agendas and Minutes, 1983-1991	box 18	folder 134
Awards - Legion d'Honneur, October 1988	box 19	folder 135
Biography - Résumés, 1954-1993	box 19	folder 136
Biography - John D. Rockefeller 3rd - "The Rockefeller Century", 1978-1988	box 19	folder 137
Biography - John D. Rockefeller 3rd - "The Rockefeller Century", 1978-1988	box 19	folder 0137A

Conditions Governing Access:

Conditions Governing Access

Restricted material.

Biography - John D. Rockefeller 3rd - "The Rockefeller Conscience", 1992	box 19	folder 138
Children's Art Carnival, 1972-1984	box 19	folder 139
Christmas Cards Received, 1970-1984	box 19	folder 140
Chronological Files (A), 1978-1992	box 19	folder 141
Chronological Files (A), 1978-1992	box 19	folder 141A

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Restricted material.

Chronological Files (B), 1978-1992	box 19	folder 142
Chronological Files (C), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 143
Chronological Files (D), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 144

Chronological Files (D), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 144A
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Chronological Files (E), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 145
Chronological Files (F), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 146
Chronological Files (G), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 147
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Chronological Files (I-K), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 149
Chronological Files (I-K), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 149A
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Chronological Files (L), 1978-1992	box 20	folder 150
Chronological Files (M), 1978-1992	box 21	folder 151
Chronological Files (Mc), 1978-1992	box 21	folder 152
Chronological Files (N-O), 1978-1992	box 21	folder 153
Chronological Files (P), 1978-1992	box 21	folder 154
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is evident in the hand-written notes generated by her to committee chairs and to donors and potential donors in her capacity as a "lay administrator." Documented here is the major fundraising event for the museum's 50th anniversary as well as files relating to the controversial issue of selling the air rights of the museum to an outside developer.

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