

Finding Aid for the Robert Robinson Papers

Descriptive Summary

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Creator: Robert Robinson.

Title: Robert Robinson Papers.

Dates: ca. 1940 – 1970.

Quantity: 2.0 linear feet.

Language: English.

Biographical Note

Robert Robison was born in 1915. He graduated from Carnegie Institute of Technology with a Bachelor of Fine Arts Degree, which launched him into a lifelong career in illustration. As a free-lance book illustrator in New York City, he specialized in books for children with historical and biblical themes. During World War II he worked as an artist and writer for the 99th Infantry Division Newspaper, recording his observations of events and military life through drawing. After the war he joined the faculty of the University of Cincinnati and the Carnegie Institute of Technology. In 1948, Robison moved to St. Louis to become the head of instruction in illustration and graphic design at the School of Fine Arts at Washington University in St. Louis, where he worked and taught until his death. During his tenure he was also an active member of the city's professional community, including work with the St. Louis Art Directors Club and the St. Louis Advertising Club. He died in 1970.

Scope and Content Notes

Materials are arranged by material type and then by size.

Administrative Information

Source of Collection

This material was donated to the University Archives in 1982.

Accruals

There are no accruals.

Processing Information

Compiled by Meredith Nelson in August 2008.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Collection Contents

Box No.	Folder
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	01 Sketchbook
	02 Exhibition literature, October 1, 1972
	03 Photos, 1940 and various years
	04 Published art: <i>St. Louis Post-Dispatch Sunday Pictures</i> December 24, 1961
	05 Published art: Union Starch and Refining Co., Inc.
	06 Published art: Comparison of the St. Louis Arch (Vollmar Bro.s Construction Co.)
	07 Sketches: Travel drawings (reproductions), 1960s
	08 Sketches: Medieval costumes
	09 Original art: Philadelphia zoo
	10 Sketches: Animals at zoo
	11 Sketches: Equipment

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- 12 Sketches: Preparation for historical/cultural publications, including Illustrated Bible Dictionary, Moros, Zulus, Boer War, and miscellaneous topics
 - 01 Tracing paper sketches (folder 1)
 - 02 Tracing paper sketches (folder 2)