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American Indian Archives

This collection is made of federal records from Indian Agencies. The collection is divided by tribe and includes the Dawes Commission records as well as several American Indian schools. The collection is arranged alphabetically by topic within the series.

Clarkson Fire Insurance Map Collection

This collection includes around 1,700 maps from across Oklahoma. The maps show buildings and may include additional information, including population and whether or not the city or town had a waterworks. Maps range from the late 1800s to the early 1900s.

2013.447 Cleverdon, Muriel Forsyth

This collection includes pictures, correspondence, and documents for the architectural costs of building projects of the Layton and Forsyth architectural firm. Layton and Forsythe was one of the prominent architectural companies in the early 1900s.

2007.148 Ballard, Currie

This collection contains building plans for Langston University.

Historic Oklahoma Collection

Historic Oklahoma is a vertical file of original materials. The collection is arranged alphabetically by topic and includes a biographical series.

2013.234 Hudgins, Thompson, Ball Inc.

Contains articles written by Rex Ball and brochures, articles, booklets, drawings, and other documents from HTB Inc. (Hudgins, Thompson, Ball Inc.), an architectural firm with an office located in Tulsa, Oklahoma.

1981.100 Kirschner, John W.

The John William Kirschner Collection contains 1,021 Oklahoma fire regulation booklets organized alphabetically by county, town, and date within the towns. These booklets correspond to the Clarkson Fire Insurance maps.

2011.220 Mesta Park Collection

This collection contains materials on historic preservation, the history of the neighborhood, newsletters, maps, information about planning and zoning, and histories of some of the neighborhood houses.

2000.044 Oklahoma City Chamber of Commerce Collection

This collection contains records regarding the building of airports and public buildings in Oklahoma City.

Oklahoma Historical Society Research Center

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2011.187 Oklahoma Main Street Center Collection

The Oklahoma Main Street Center Collection contains drawings submitted to the Oklahoma Department of Commerce for consideration. The Main Street Center project focuses on preservation-based commercial district revitalization.

2015.191 Radmaker, Colleen McFarland

This collection contains postcards from all over Oklahoma.

2009.122 Roloff, Robert B.

The Robert B. Roloff Collection includes oversized architectural illustrations and files on Oklahoma structures, including Oklahoma City's Myriad and Gold Dome buildings, state office buildings, and Arrowhead and Fountainhead State lodges.

2009.040 Rosser, Linda Kennedy

Contains brochures and pamphlets that were either collected by or include information about Linda Kennedy Rosser. Additionally, the collection contains information about the history of architecturally and historically significant houses in Oklahoma City. Nichols Hills, Harndale, and Heritage Hills are included.

2013.494 State Historic Preservation Office Collection

Part of the responsibilities of the Oklahoma State Historic Preservation Office (SHPO) includes working with federal agencies and reviewing their federally funded, licensed, or permitted projects. If those projects have an impact on an eligible or listed National Register of Historic Places property, SHPO works with the agency to minimize harm. When that cannot be avoided, they work through a mitigation process. As such, many times, that mitigation process results in the documentation of the property before demolition occurs. For each of those properties, a collection of materials, including photographs, maps, contextual documents (property history), modern drawings, historic drawings, oral histories, and historic photographs, is given to SHPO. Each building may have all or a combination of the items listed.

2015.196 Urban Renewal Authority Collection

The Urban Renewal Authority collection contains appraisal reports, photographs, reports, and various materials relating to Oklahoma City's urban renewal during the 1970s.

2009.157 Vollendorf, Dean Bryant

The Dean Bryant Vollendorf collection contains the research materials, drawings, blueprints, project bids, and scrapbooks of Vollendorf. Included in the collection are materials relating to his teaching job at the University of Oklahoma.