Finding Aid for the Romuald Kraus (1891-1954) collection

Title: Romuald Kraus (1891-1954) Collection  
Date Span: 1920s-1954  
Extent: 3.5 linear ft.  
Language(s): English  
Copyright:  

Description: Romuald Kraus taught sculpture at the University of Louisville from 1947 until 1953. Included are academic and professional correspondence, sketchbooks, personal photographs, photographs of sculpture, exhibition catalogues and papers and letters relating to his death. Official documents and immigration papers are in the collection are also included.

Box 1

1. Official papers of Romuald Kraus (RK)  
2. Letters to Esther Howard from Kraus relatives  
3. Letters from Esther Howard to sisters Frances and Laura Jean Howard (1955)  
4. RK biographical summary & exhibition lists  
5. Letters from Frances Howard Kohlhepp regarding Frame House Gallery Show  
6. Esther Kraus letters home 1954 from Laguna Beach, CA.  
7. RK will and letters regarding his estate

Box 2

1. RK’s writing when he was 7 years old  
2. RK’s correspondence  
3. Letters from RK to Esther Howard and marriage license (Aug. 27, 1953)  
4. Letters to Esther regarding show of RK’s work (1955)  
5. Letters from Henry Kreis and articles  
6. Stories by Leo A. Kraus, RK’s older brother  
7. Slides from exhibition
Box 3

1. Photos of R.K
2. Photos of Romuald Kraus sculpture
3. Photos of New York architectural terra cotta by RK
4. Miscellaneous pamphlets

Box 4

1. Various types of negatives

Box 5

1. Five sketchbooks
2. Four address books
3. Four spiral notebooks
4. Eight leaves of sketches
5. Three folders of sketches
6. One membership book in Modelers and Sculptors of America
7. One bankbook
8. Six drawings for Christmas cards

Box 6

1. Exhibition catalogues

Box 7

1. 3 folders of sketches
2. Newspaper articles on “Justice” controversy
3. MOMA letter about “Justice”
4. Photos of “Justice” by RK
5. Articles on RK
6. Obituaries and memorial show
7. Mention of Kraus sculpture in 1951 Metropolitan Museum of Art sculpture competition
8. Condolence cards
9. Catalog of 1997 exhibition and photographs from the exhibition