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Title:	Arts Award	RG 9/3
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HISTORICAL NOTE

The Arts Award was established by Dickinson College in order to recognize achievements in the Arts and Humanities. Honoring Dr. William Wilcox Edel, alumnus and former president of the college, the Arts Award is bestowed upon an individual who has made an outstanding contribution in the performing or visual arts. The President of the College presents to the recipient a monetary award as well as a Wedgwood ceramic medallion bearing a profile likeness of Dr. Edel.

A committee comprised of Dickinson faculty meets on an ad hoc basis to nominate individuals who they feel are deserving of this award. In order to give proper recognition to all divisions of the arts and humanities, the Arts Award Committee rotates nominations within the fields of drama, music, literature, graphic arts, and architecture. These nominations are then given to the President of the College who selects the winner and presents the award.

Dickinson College presented the first award in 1959 to poet Robert Frost. During the Arts Award celebration, the recipient is in residence at the college. The artist will generally lecture, perform, or hold a demonstration presenting his or her work to the college community.

SERIES ARRANGEMENT AND DESCRIPTION

The Arts Award collection is primarily organized chronologically, each award recipient comprising a separate series. Documents related to the founding of the award, the papers of the Award Committee, and the financial records regarding the award are grouped into three separate series at the beginning of the collection.

The Founding series includes information about the history of the award and the medal presented to the award recipients, the establishment of the endowment fund and donor lists, and a

set of guidelines regarding the administration and presentation of the award. The Award Committee series consists of correspondence, nominations and recommendations, membership lists, and minutes and meeting notes. The Financial Records series includes notes on the budget, invoices, and payment vouchers.

Materials related to specific recipients are organized into series chronologically by the academic year of the award. Each award recipient series is further divided into celebration preparation notes, correspondence, news releases and articles, and programs, invitations, posters, and flyers. The celebration preparation notes files include biographical information, schedules of events, invitation lists, menus, sample letters, itineraries, speech transcriptions, photographs, and other information collected by the President of the College in preparation for that year's award. The correspondence files consist of letters, personalized invitations and memos, arranged chronologically. The news releases files include college press releases and published articles concerning the award. Finally, the programs, invitations, posters, and flyers files consist of various ephemeral materials related to the award ceremony.

RECORD GROUP INVENTORY

RG 9/3 - ARTS AWARD

Series 1 Founding

- 1.1 Award Creation
- 1.2 Endowment
- 1.3 Guidelines

Series 2 Award Committee

2.1 Correspondence

- 2.1.1 1959-1965
- 2.1.2 1966-1970
- 2.1.3 1971-1975
- 2.1.4 1976-1980
- 2.1.5 1981-1985
- 2.1.6 1986-1990
- 2.1.7 1991-1995
- 2.1.8 1996-2000

2.2 Nominations and Recommendations

- 2.2.1 1959-1969
- 2.2.2 1970-1979
- 2.2.3 1980-1989
- 2.2.4 1990-1999

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Series 2 Award Committee (cont.)

2.3 Membership Lists

2.3.1 1959-1988

2.4 Minutes and Meeting Notes

2.4.1 1960-1988

Series 3 Financial Records

3.1 1959-1969

3.2 1970-1979

3.3 1980-1989

3.4 1990-1999

Series 4 Robert Frost, 1958-59 (Poetry)

4.1 Celebration Preparation Notes

4.2 Correspondence

4.3 News Releases and Articles

4.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 5 Eero Saarinen, 1959-60 (Architecture)

5.1 Celebration Preparation Notes

5.2 Correspondence

5.3 News Releases and Articles

5.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 6 Judith Anderson, 1960-61 (Theatre)

6.1 Celebration Preparation Notes

6.2 Correspondence

6.3 News Releases and Articles

6.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 7 Leonard Baskin, 1963-64 (Graphic Arts)

7.1 Celebration Preparation Notes

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7.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

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Series 8 Walter Piston, 1965-66 (Music)

- 8.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 8.2 Correspondence
- 8.3 News Releases and Articles
- 8.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 9 W. H. Auden, 1967-68 (Poetry)

- 9.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 9.2 Correspondence
- 9.3 News Releases and Articles
- 9.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 10 John Cage, 1969-70 (Music)

- 10.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 10.2 Correspondence
- 10.3 News Releases and Articles
- 10.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 11 The Philadelphia Orchestra, 1972-73 (Music)

- 11.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 11.2 Correspondence
- 11.3 News Releases and Articles
- 11.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 12 Mauricio Lasansky, 1974-75 (Printmaking)

- 12.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 12.2 Correspondence
- 12.3 News Releases and Articles
- 12.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 13 Zelda Fichandler, 1976-77 (Drama)

- 13.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 13.2 Correspondence
- 13.3 News Releases and Articles
- 13.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

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Series 14 John Barth, 1980-81 (Literature)

- 14.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 14.2 Correspondence
- 14.3 News Releases and Articles
- 14.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 15 Toshiko Takaezu, 1982-83 (Literature)

- 15.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 15.2 Correspondence
- 15.3 News Releases and Articles
- 15.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 16 Thomas Binkley, 1982-83 (Music)

- 16.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 16.2 Correspondence
- 16.3 News Releases and Articles
- 16.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 17 The Pennsylvania Ballet, 1983-84 (Dance)

- 17.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 17.2 Correspondence
- 17.3 News Releases and Articles
- 17.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 18 David Mamet, 1984-85 (Drama)

- 18.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 18.2 Correspondence
- 18.3 News Releases and Articles
- 18.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 19 Robert Stone, 1986-87 (Literature)

- 19.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 19.2 Correspondence
- 19.3 News Releases and Articles
- 19.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

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Series 20 Tommy Flanagan, 1988-89 (Music)

- 20.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 20.2 Correspondence
- 20.3 News Releases and Articles
- 20.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 21 Horton Foote, 1989-90 (Cinema)

- 21.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 21.2 Correspondence
- 21.3 News Releases and Articles
- 21.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 22 Leon Golub, 1991-92 (Painting)

- 22.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 22.2 Correspondence
- 22.3 News Releases and Articles
- 22.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 23 Seamus Heaney, 1992-93 (Poetry)

- 23.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 23.2 Correspondence
- 23.3 News Releases and Articles
- 23.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers (Poster in Oversized)

Series 24 Twyla Tharp, 1995-96 (Dance)

- 24.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 24.2 Correspondence
- 24.3 News Releases and Articles
- 24.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 25 Phyllis Bryn-Julson, 1996-97 (Music)

- 25.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 25.2 Correspondence
- 25.3 News Releases and Articles
- 25.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

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Series 26 Julie Harris, 2000-01 (Drama)

- 26.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 26.2 Correspondence
- 26.3 News Releases and Articles
- 26.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 27 Milton Babbitt, 2001-02 (Music)

- 27.1 Celebration Preparation Notes
- 27.2 Correspondence
- 27.3 News Releases and Articles
- 27.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers

Series 28 André Gregory, 2004-05 (Drama)

Series 29 Trisha Brown, 2007-08 (Dance)

Series 30 Sue Coe, 2013-14 (Drawing and Printmaking)

- 30.4 Programs, Invitations, Posters, Flyers