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Abstract: The California Association of Landscape Architects (CALA) consisted of Professional Landscape Architects, students, and allied professionals living and working in the San Francisco Bay Area. The collection chronicles the activities of some of the most active landscape architects in the San Francisco Bay area, at a time when they were struggling for professional recognition and standards. This collection offers insight into the process of defining the profession of landscape architecture in California.

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**Access Points**

Landscape architects -- California.
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**Historical Note**

California Association of Landscape Architects, 1944-1960

The California Association of Landscape Architects (CALA) consisted of Professional Landscape Architects, students, and allied professionals living and working in the San Francisco Bay Area. The purpose of the organization, as stated in its Articles of Incorporation, was to "provide an organization wherein Landscape Architects may work more effectively as a group to bring about a greater collaborative effort among Architects, Landscape Architects, City planners, Engineers, and the Building Industry, to provide an organization wherein Landscape Architects may work as a group to study and act upon all proposals by political bodies, individuals, or enterprises which affect the physical development of our cities and communities, or our countryside, and to provide an organization wherein Landscape Architects may meet as a group for an exchange of ideas, self-education, and free discussion, to promote a higher standard of professional practice, and a greater uniformity in fees and services for the good of the profession and the public welfare."

The organization went by the name Association of Landscape Architects (ALA) until 1954, when they changed the name to California Association of Landscape Architects to avoid confusion with the American Society of Landscape Architects (ASLA), and to reflect their widening influence in the state. By 1949 the Association had active groups in Sonoma and Sacramento, as well as in the Peninsula.

In addition to their monthly meetings and programs, the CALA actively lobbied for the state registration of Landscape Architects, published a fee schedule for the profession, and annually participated in the San Francisco Garden Show.

**Note**

[CALA Articles of Incorporation], California Association of Landscape Architects Records, (19XX-22), Environmental Design Archives, University of California, Berkeley.

**Scope and Contents Note**

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**Related Collections**

American Society of Landscape Architecture (ASLA) Papers, (ARCH 2001-5), Environmental Design Archives, University of California, Berkeley.
OFFICE RECORDS, 1944-1960

A. Administrative

Physical Description: Boxes 1-3
Scope and Content Note
Arrangement
Arranged alphabetically by folder title.
Contains correspondence, reports, newsletters, drawings, and clippings documenting the activity of an organization of Landscape Architects in the San Francisco Bay Area.

B. Correspondence

C. Newsletters

D. Committees

E. Scrapbook/Clippings

F. Reference Files

G. Miscellaneous

OFFICE RECORDS

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Box/Folder 1 : 3-4  Mailing lists 1946-1948
Box/Folder 1 : 5  Minutes of the board meetings 1947-1951
Box/Folder 1 : 6  President's Annual Reports 1945-1949
Box/Folder 1 : 7  President's letters to the members 1946-1952
Box/Folder 1 : 8  Roster of membership 1959-1960
Box/Folder 1 : 9  Secretary's letters to the members 1947

B. Correspondence

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Box/Folder 1 : 11  Incorporation and proposed by-laws 1949-1950
Box/Folder 1 : 12  Lucretia Mott Whitney Fund 1959
Box/Folder 1 : 13-14  President's correspondence 1946-1959
Box/Folder 1 : 15  Raffles at meetings 1949-1952
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C. Newsletters

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Box/Folder 3 :  Exhibit: Pan American Conference of Architects 1947-1948
Box/Folder 3 :  Exhibit: President's files 1948-1954
Box/Folder 3 :  Exhibit: San Francisco Museum of Art 1937
Box/Folder 3 :  Fees 1951-1954
Box/Folder 3 :  Publicity 1944-1949
Box/Folder 3 :  Professional, Trade, and Governmental Relations 1944
Box/Folder 3 :  State Registration for Landscape Architects 1948-1949
Box/Folder 3 :  War Memorials 1945-1948

E. Scrapbook/Clippings

Box/Folder 3 :  scrapbook, clippings, press releases 1946-1957

F. Reference Files

Box/Folder 3 :  Addresses of University of California, Berkeley, Landscape Architecture Alumni
  1952
Box/Folder 3 :  Airport Plan for the San Francisco Bay Area 1949
Box/Folder 3 :  California Landscape Contractors' Association membership roster 1952
Box/Folder 3 :  California State Board of Landscape Architects roster of licensees 1954-1955
Box/Folder 3 :  Public Officials of California roster 1946-1947