Finding Aid to Bookplate Collection MS.517

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**Title:** Bookplate Collection  
**Identifier/Call Number:** MS.517  
**Contributing Institution:** Autry National Center, Braun Research Library  
**Language of Material:** English  
**Physical Description:** 1.0 Linear feet (2 boxes)  
**Date (inclusive):** circa 1930-1979  

**Access**  
Collection is open for research. Appointments to view materials are required. To make an appointment please visit http://theautry.org/research/research-rules-and-application or contact library staff at rroom@theautry.org. An item-level inventory is available from library staff.

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**Preferred citation**  
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**Arrangement**  
The collection is arranged in three series, Series I. Charles Fletcher Lummis bookplates, Series II. Southwest Museum bookplates and stamp samples, and Series III. Miscellaneous Bookplates. The items are arranged alphabetically by name or organization printed on the plate or by material type.

**Scope and contents**  
The collection consists of 82 bookplates that vary in styles and colors. There are bookplates for the Southwest Museum’s Library collections (which became the Braun Research Library in 1979); Charles Fletcher Lummis’ personal bookplates; and various personal and organizational bookplates. Also included are original printing plates, notes, and images. A majority of the collection consists of bookplates, however there are 2 sheets stamped with various Southwest Museum and library collections labels.  
It is presumed that the collection was started around the 1930s, based on Hodge correspondence held in MS.3 Southwest Museum Institutional Archives. The latest date recorded is based on the Braun Research Library bookplate, which was printed no sooner than 1979. However, this collection is open and can be added to.

**Processing history**  
Creation of original inventory is unknown, probably done by museum or library staff. Revised by Liza Posas, 2007. Additional processing of collection and publication of finding aid made possible by a grant from the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC).

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**  
Braun Research Library.  
Fenyes, Eva Scott, d. 1930  
James, George Wharton, 1858-1923  
Lummis, Charles Fletcher, 1859-1928.  
Munk, J. A. (Joseph Amasa), 1847-1927  
Southwest Museum (Los Angeles, Calif.)  
Book collecting  
Bookplates

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**Series I: Charles Fletcher Lummis Bookplates**  
**Scope and contents**  
General bookplate, 2 versions; Box 1 Printing blocks for general bookplate; Box 1 “Spanish songs of Old California” bookplate; Box 1
Series II. Southwest Museum bookplates and stamp samples

Scope and contents
Hector Alliot Memorial Library of Archaeology bookplate; Box 1 Braun Research Library bookplate; Box 1 Eva Scott Fényes bookplate; Box 1 Eva Scott Fényes copper printing plate for bookplate; Box 1 Grant Jackson bookplate; Box 1 George Wharton James bookplate; Box 1 “Library of the Southwest Museum” bookplates - large and small; Box 1 Munk Library of Arizoniana bookplate; Box 1 Note written by Lummis describing SWM emblem and slogan; Box 1 Images of various SWM museum bookplates; Box 2, Folder 1 Samples of various SWM and library stamps one 2 sheets; Box 1

Series III. Miscellaneous bookplates

Scope and contents
Gale Research Company 1971 calendar, Ex-Libris, the story of the Book-plate; Box 2, Folder 2 Generic, blank bookplate samples, 19 versions; Box 2, Folder 3 Personal and organizational bookplates, A-J; Box 2, Folder 4 Thomas Adams M.D. E. Wyllys Andrews IV (2 copies) Muriel Alderman Samuel Latham Mitchill Barlow H. Wheeler Bassett Alice Babbitt Bennett Bibliotheca Montereyensis Angelorum Richard K. Brome Bruce Bryan Charles William Burrows and Lottie Thomas Mott Burrows John Comstock Frank Stephen Dolley M.D. Hollosi Elek Maurus Elias Elmer Belt Library of Vinciana Hamlin Garland George Seymour Godard Herman Hager Personal and organizational bookplates, K-P; Box 2, Folder 5 G. A. Levin (2 copies) G A. Levin (style 2) Walter McClintock Dr. Prof. Fr. Pospisil Port Elizabeth Public Library Public Library, Yonkers, New York