Wallace J. Miller Watercolors and Pen and Ink Drawings

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Wallace J. Miller watercolors and pen and ink drawings

Dates: Circa 1895 - 1897

Collection number: Consult library

Creator: Wallace J. Miller

Collection Size: 60 items1 online item

Repository: Riverside Public Library

Riverside, CA 92501

Abstract: Paintings and drawings are of the City of Riverside between 1895 and 1897. The collection documents businesses, hotels, stables, blacksmith shops, and scenic views of Riverside and the surrounding area. The collection consists of 60 paintings, all of which were created by Wallace J. Miller.

Languages: Languages represented in the collection: English

Access

Collection is restricted. Please consult local history librarian.

Preferred Citation

Wallace J. Miller watercolors and pen and ink drawings. Consult library. [Institution Name], [City, State].

Acquisition Information

Donated by Wallace J. Miller, 1897

Project Information

This project was part of the California Local History Digital Resources Project (LHDRP), a multi-year program supported by the U.S. Institute of Museum and Library Services under the provisions of the Library Services and Technology Act, administered in California by the State Librarian.

Biography

Wallace J. Miller was born in Ohio circa October 1862, and died in Los Angeles (Calif.) on Dec. 23, 1921. In his mid-twenties, he married Wilma B. Mayhew, and the two lived in Coronado (Calif.) with her parents because he wasn't able to financially support their marriage. Then, in mid-1895, he was accused of counterfeiting money and it went to trial, but he was eventually released as there wasn't enough evidence to support the allegations. Soon after the trial, he arrived in Riverside (Calif.) where he stayed for approximately two years and painted advertisements for businesses on and around Main St. Prior to Miller's return to San Diego in the fall of 1897, he donated the paintings to the Riverside Public Library.

Scope and Content of Collection

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Indexing Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection.

Names and Places

Wallace J. Miller
San Diego, Calif.
Riverside, Calif.

Topics

Markets
Businesses
Citrus
Stables
Blacksmith shops
Dairy
Agriculture