Finding Aid for the Frank Lloyd Wright architectural drawings, 1899-1957
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Title: Frank Lloyd Wright architectural drawings
Identifier/Call Number: 0000101
Contributing Institution: Architecture and Design Collection, Art, Design & Architecture Museum
Language of Material: English
Storage Unit: B13
Physical Description: 3.0 Linear feet(1 flat file drawer)
Date (bulk): Bulk, 1918-1921
Date (inclusive): 1899-1957
Location note: 1 Flat File Drawer/ ADC - flat files
creator: Schindler, R. M., (Rudolph M. ), 1887-1953
creator: Wright, Frank Lloyd, 1867-1959
Access
Partially processed collection, open for use by qualified researchers.
Custodial History note
Preferred Citation note
Frank Lloyd Wright architectural designs, Architecture and Design Collection. Art, Design & Architecture Museum; University of California, Santa Barbara.
Biographical/Historical note
Frank Lloyd Wright was born in 1867 in Richland Center, Wisconsin, and spent much of his childhood in the American Midwest. He briefly attended the University of Wisconsin for two semesters. In 1887 Wright left for Chicago, eventually finding work as a draftsman with the architectural firm of Joseph Lyman Silsbee. A year later, in 1889, he began to work for Adler & Sullivan as a draftsman. By 1890 Wright was head draftsman in the firm and handled all of the residential design work in the office. Three years later, in 1893, Wright established his own independent practice.
The association between Frank Lloyd Wright and R.M. Schindler began in 1914, when Schindler contacted Wright and asked for a position within his firm. At the time Wright had just been commissioned to design the Imperial Hotel in Tokyo, so he took Schindler on and promoted him to run his American operations out of the Oak Park studio in Illinois. Schindler worked for Wright a total of five years, from 1918 to 1920 in the Midwest and from 1920 through 1922 in Los Angeles overseeing the building of the Barnsdall project.
Scope and Content note
This collection is composed of architectural drawings and reprographic copies of Frank Lloyd Wright architectural designs, drawn by R.M. Schindler and Frank Lloyd Wright, dating from 1899 through 1957. The majority of designs are for residential buildings in the American Midwest.
Related Archival Materials note
ADC Study collection, Architecture and Design Collection. Art, Design & Architecture Museum; University of California, Santa Barbara.
Subjects and Indexing Terms
Schindler, Mark
Schindler, R. M., (Rudolph M. ), 1887-1953
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Architectural drawings
Reprographic copies