

Merritt, Robert (SC-11)

Robert Merritt Personal Papers (SC-11)

[before 1983]

Title Statement

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Profile Description

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Descriptive Summary

Unit ID

SC-11

Unit ID

/repositories/2/resources/19

Unit Date

[before 1983]

Mixed Materials

SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Mixed Materials

SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Language

English .

Abstract

The collection contains research files on VMFA history created by Robert "Bob" Merritt, who was a theater and arts critic for the "Richmond Times-Dispatch" newspaper from the 1970s through the 1990s and wrote about VMFA frequently. The boxes were originally labeled "narrative history," a project which was sponsored by the museum's Marketing and Public Affairs department, probably as part of the plans to commemorate the museum's 50th anniversary in 1986.

Creator

Merritt, Robert

source

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Marketing and Communications

Extent

2.5 Linear Feet 2 boxes; 111 folders

Repository

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts Archives

Administrative Information

Conditions Governing Access

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Processing Note

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Biographical Note

Robert "Bob" Merritt was a theater and arts critic for the "Richmond Times-Dispatch" newspaper from the 1970s through the 1990s and wrote about VMFA frequently. He authored all of the articles in the supplement that was published by the "Richmond Times-Dispatch" on January 12, 1986 to commemorate the 50th anniversary of the museum's opening.

Keywords

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts

Virginia Museum of Fine Arts. Marketing and Communications

Provenance

The collection was transferred to the VMFA Library from the Marketing and Public Affairs department in the 1990s. The original boxes were labeled "narrative history," a project which was sponsored by the department, probably as part of the larger plans to commemorate the museum's 50th anniversary.

Arrangement

The collection is organized into one series.

Description of Subordinate Components

Series 1: Research Files

Unit ID SC-11-01

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4439

Unit Date [before 1983]

Language English.

Extent 111 folders111 Folders

Series Description

This series is comprised of notes and photocopied research materials about the history of the VMFA, compiled by the writer Robert Merritt. The e latest date found in the materials was 1982.

Chronology

Unit ID SC11.01.0.001

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4440

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 1

Overviews (notes and miscellaneous)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.002

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4441

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 2

Rough notes

Unit ID SC11.01.0.003

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4442

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 3

Organization and preparation

Unit ID SC11.01.0.004

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4443

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 4

1932, Site and architect

Unit ID SC11.01.0.005

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4444

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 5

1931-32, Payne's \$100,000

Unit ID SC11.01.0.006

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4445

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 6

1933, Pollard's \$100,000 match

Unit ID SC11.01.0.007

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4446

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 7

1933, Soldier's Home debate

Unit ID SC11.01.0.008

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4447

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 8

1933, The building (the plans)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.009

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4448

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 9

The building (construction)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.010

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4449

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 10

New state library

Unit ID SC11.01.0.011

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4450

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 11

1817, Virginia Museum (Capitol Square)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.012

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4451

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 12

1919, The Payne gift (Battle Abbey)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.013

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4452

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 13

Virginia Art Alliance

Unit ID SC11.01.0.014

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4453

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 14

Freeman papers index (T-D)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.015

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4454

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 15

1858-1922, Arthur Dawson

Unit ID SC11.01.0.016

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4455

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 16

Gov. George C. Peery

Unit ID SC11.01.0.017

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4456

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 17

1930-31, Payne-Pollard (deed, Melchers)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.018

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4457

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 18

1828-1906, Thomas Barbour Bryan

Unit ID SC11.01.0.019

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4458

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 19

Alexander and Virginia Weddell

Unit ID SC11.01.0.020

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4459

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 20

John Barton Payne (art)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.021

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4460

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 21

1855-1935, John Barton Payne (personal)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.022

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4461

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 22

John Barton Payne (Red Cross)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.023

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4462

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 23

John Garland Pollard

Unit ID SC11.01.0.024

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4463

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 24

Pollard's Rotunda

Unit ID SC11.01.0.025

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4464

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 25

The Payne collection (notes)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.026

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4465

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 26

The Bryan collection (notes)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.027

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4466

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 27

1929, Virginia House portraiture

Unit ID SC11.01.0.028

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4467

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 28

1952, Adolph D. and Wilkins C. Williams

Unit ID SC11.01.0.029

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4468

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 29

1947, Lillian Thomas Pratt collection

Unit ID SC11.01.0.030

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4469

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 30

Dec. 21, 1946, T. Catesby Jones collection

Unit ID SC11.01.0.031

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4470

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 31

1786, Richmond Academy

Unit ID SC11.01.0.032

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4471

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 32

1930, Richmond Academy

Unit ID SC11.01.0.033

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4472

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 33

1936

Unit ID SC11.01.0.034

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4473

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 34

1937

Unit ID SC11.01.0.035

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4474

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 35

1938

Unit ID SC11.01.0.036

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4475

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 36

1939

Unit ID SC11.01.0.037

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4476

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 37

1940

Unit ID SC11.01.0.038

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4477

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 38

January 16-March 1, 1936, Inaugural show

Unit ID SC11.01.0.039

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4478

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 39

January 17, 1937, Henry P. Strause collection

Unit ID SC11.01.0.040

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4479

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 40

March 6-April 4, 1937, Malvina Hoffman

Unit ID SC11.01.0.041

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4480

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 41

March 12-April 24, 1938, First biennial

Unit ID SC11.01.0.042

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4481

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 42

1938, Catalog of paintings

Unit ID SC11.01.0.043

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4482

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 43

1940, Fellowships

Unit ID SC11.01.0.044

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4483

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 44

1930-1939, Virginia Museum

Unit ID SC11.01.0.045

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4484

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 45

1940-1949, Virginia Museum

Unit ID SC11.01.0.046

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4485

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 46

1950-1959, Virginia Museum

Unit ID SC11.01.0.047

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4486

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 47

1960-1969, Virginia Museum

Unit ID SC11.01.0.048

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4487

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 48

1970-1979, Virginia Museum

Unit ID SC11.01.0.049

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4488

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 1 (box)

Container Folder 49

1941

Unit ID SC11.01.0.050

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4489

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 50

Chrysler Collection, January 16-March 14, 1941

Unit ID SC11.01.0.051

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4490

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 51

1942

Unit ID SC11.01.0.052

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4491

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 52

1943

Unit ID SC11.01.0.053

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4492

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 53

1944

Unit ID SC11.01.0.054

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4493

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 54

1945

Unit ID SC11.01.0.055

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4494

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 55

1946

Unit ID SC11.01.0.056

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4495

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 56

1947

Unit ID SC11.01.0.057

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4496

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 57

1948

Unit ID SC11.01.0.058

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4497

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 58

1949

Unit ID SC11.01.0.059

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4498

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 59

1950

Unit ID SC11.01.0.060

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4499

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 60

1951

Unit ID SC11.01.0.061

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4500

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 61

1952

Unit ID SC11.01.0.062

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4501

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 62

1953

Unit ID SC11.01.0.063

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4502

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 63

1954

Unit ID SC11.01.0.064

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4503

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 64

1955

Unit ID SC11.01.0.065

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4504

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 65

1956

Unit ID SC11.01.0.066

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4505

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 66

1957

Unit ID SC11.01.0.067

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4506

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 67

1958

Unit ID SC11.01.0.068

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4507

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 68

1959

Unit ID SC11.01.0.069

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4508

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 69

1960

Unit ID SC11.01.0.070

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4509

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 70

Sport and the Horse, April 1-May 15, 1960

Unit ID SC11.01.0.071

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4510

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 71

1961

Unit ID SC11.01.0.072

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4511

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 72

25th Anniversary and Show, January 16, 1961

Unit ID SC11.01.0.073

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4512

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 73

1962

Unit ID SC11.01.0.074

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4513

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 74

1963

Unit ID SC11.01.0.075

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4514

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 75

1964

Unit ID SC11.01.0.076

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4515

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 76

1965

Unit ID SC11.01.0.077

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4516

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 77

1966

Unit ID SC11.01.0.078

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4517

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 78

1967

Unit ID SC11.01.0.079

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4518

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 79

1968

Unit ID SC11.01.0.080

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4519

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 80

Triumph of Realism, 1967-1968

Unit ID SC11.01.0.081

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4520

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 81

1969

Unit ID SC11.01.0.082

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4521

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 82

1970

Unit ID SC11.01.0.083

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4522

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 83

The South Wing, 1970

Unit ID SC11.01.0.084

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4523

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 84

1971

Unit ID SC11.01.0.085

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4524

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 85

1972

Unit ID SC11.01.0.086

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4525

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 86

1973

Unit ID SC11.01.0.087

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4526

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 87

1974

Unit ID SC11.01.0.088

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4527

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 88

1975

Unit ID SC11.01.0.089

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4528

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 89

1976

Unit ID SC11.01.0.090

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4529

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 90

The North Wing, January 1976

Unit ID SC11.01.0.091

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4530

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 91

1977

Unit ID SC11.01.0.092

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4531

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 92

Dali "Art in Jewels," February 14, 1977

Unit ID SC11.01.0.093

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4532

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 93

1978

Unit ID SC11.01.0.094

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4533

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 94

1979

Unit ID SC11.01.0.095

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4534

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 95

Art Nouveau Symposium, April 7, 1979

Unit ID SC11.01.0.096

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4535

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 96

1980

Unit ID SC11.01.0.097

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4536

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 97

1981

Unit ID SC11.01.0.098

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4537

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 98

1982

Unit ID SC11.01.0.099

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4538

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 99

Correspondence

Unit ID SC11.01.0.100

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4539

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 100

Gallery Pictures (Miscellaneous)

Unit ID SC11.01.0.101

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4540

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 101

Directors

Unit ID SC11.01.0.102

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4541

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 102

Leslie Cheek, 1948-1958

Unit ID SC11.01.0.103

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4542

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 103

James M. Brown, 1969-

Unit ID SC11.01.0.104

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4543

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 104

Mooz

Unit ID SC11.01.0.105

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4544

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 105

R. Peter Mooz, 1976-1980

Unit ID SC11.01.0.106

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4545

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 106

Artmobile

Unit ID SC11.01.0.107

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4546

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 107

Artmobile, 1953

Unit ID SC11.01.0.108

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4547

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 108

Theater, 1955

Unit ID SC11.01.0.109

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4548

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 109

Wings

Unit ID SC11.01.0.110

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4549

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 110

VMT Background

Unit ID SC11.01.0.111

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/4550

Unit Date undated

mixed materials SC-11 Box 2 (box)

Container Folder 111