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Administrative History:

Ash Lawn Highland is the plantation estate which 5th president James Monroe purchased in 1793. Monroe and his family moved onto the property in 1799, but Monroe's personal debt forced the family to sell the property in 1825. In the 1930's, philanthropist Jay Winston Johns purchased the estate and the house was open to public tours upon his death. In his will, Winston left the estate to the The College of William and Mary, Monroe's alma mater.

Scope and Contents

Ash Lawn-Highland is the home of James Monroe, the fifth president of the United States, and is located in Charlottesville, Virginia. Ash Lawn-Highland is owned and operated by The College of William and Mary, Monroe's alma mater.

Ash Lawn-Highland is a historic museum with a 535-acre working farm, and performing arts site in Albermarle County, Virginia. President James Monroe and his wife, Elizabeth Kortright Monroe of New York, owned Ash Lawn-Highland from 1793 to 1826 and made it their official residence from 1799 to 1823.

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Related Materials:

University Archives Subject File Collection (UA 9); Office of the President (various administrations); Jay W. Johns, Jr. Papers (Mss. 74 J64).

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Description of Subordinate Components

Architectural History

Unit ID id33914

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302313

Unit Date 1975 February 15

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains a report of the architectural history of the Ash Lawn Highland estate. The report also includes sketches of the building structures on the property and some floor plans.

Archaeology Report

Unit ID id33915

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302314

Unit Date 1976 January 21

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes a very detailed report of the archaeology done at Ash Lawn Highland. The report includes the archaeology in the main house, the exterior of the main house, and the area west of the main house. A detailed description of the findings is included. Also included are photocopies of photographs of archaeologists at work.

Preliminary Architectural Survey

Unit ID id33916

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302315

Unit Date 1990 April

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains an architectural survey of Ash Lawn Highland. The survey includes archival research and archaeological investigations. The survey also states problems with the proposed repair to the home and recommendations for the repairs.

Evaluation and Restoration Plan for Overseer's House

Unit ID id33917

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302316

Unit Date 1990 August

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains a report that describes the overseer's house at Ash Lawn Highland. The report includes history of the structure, floor plans, and proposals for restorations.

HABS Instructions and Measured Drawings

Unit ID id242159

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302317

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes instructions on how to properly measure and draw the Ash Lawn Highland buildings and surrounding areas. The drawings and measurements must be consistent with the Historic American Buildings Survey's standards. The folder also includes samples of the drawings.

Floor Plans and Sketches, Part 1

Unit ID id242160

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302318

Unit Date 1991-1992

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains floor plans and measured sketches of Ash Lawn Highland for the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Floor Plans and Sketches, Part 2

Unit ID id242161

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302319

Unit Date 1991-1992

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 7 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains floor plans and measured sketches of Ash Lawn Highland for the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Floor Plans and Sketches, Part 3

Unit ID id242162

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302320

Unit Date 1991-1992

Mixed Materials 1 (Box)

Container 8 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains floor plans and measured sketches of Ash Lawn Highland for the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Measured Photographs

Unit ID id242423

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302321

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes photocopied photographs of the historic building. The photocopies include architectural measurements.

Photographic Negatives

Unit ID id242424

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302322

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains negatives and contact sheets of photographs taken for the Historic American Buildings Survey of Ash Lawn Highland.

Photographs, Part 1

Unit ID id242425

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302323

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes numerous photographs of the historic Ash Lawn Highland used by the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Photographs, Part 2

Unit ID id242427

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302324

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes numerous photographs of the historic Ash Lawn Highland used by the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Photographs, Part 3

Unit ID id242428

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302325

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes numerous photographs of the historic Ash Lawn Highland used by the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Photographs, Part 4

Unit ID id242429

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302326

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes numerous photographs of the historic Ash Lawn Highland used by the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Photographs, Part 5

Unit ID id242430

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302327

Unit Date 1930-1939 and undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 7 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes numerous photographs of the historic Ash Lawn Highland used by the Historic American Buildings Survey. The folder also includes photographs of the house from the 1930s.

Photographs, Part 6

Unit ID id242431

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302328

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 8 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes numerous photographs of the historic Ash Lawn Highland used by the Historic American Buildings Survey.

Photographs with Negatives

Unit ID id242432

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302329

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 2 (Box)

Container 9 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes photographs of the interior and exterior of the historic home as well as the negatives of the photographs.

Summer Festivals

Unit ID id242437

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302330

Unit Date 1986-1998

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 1 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains brochures, pamphlets, and schedules related to an annual summer festival at Ash Lawn Highland. The festival included opera performances, chamber music concerts, lecture series, and more.

Special Events

Unit ID id242438

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302331

Unit Date 1981-1998

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 2 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes materials relating to special events at Ash Lawn Highland, including a Kite Day, a champagne and candlelight tour, and a celebration of the tenth anniversary of the historic home as a public museum. Items include pamphlets, advertisements, and reviews.

Postcards, Brochures, and Advertisements

Unit ID id242439

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302332

Unit Date 1983-1996 and undated

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 3 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains several postcards of the historic estate, general brochures for the museum, and pamphlets describing different exhibitions at the historic home.

Our Musical Legacy: Three Evnings of English, Continental, and Afro-American Music

Unit ID id242440

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302333

Unit Date 1978

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 4 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

The folder has descriptions of summer outdoor programs, radio programs, and school programs relating to the mixing of English, Continental, and Afro-American music. Other items include audiences and teachers' evaluations of the programs as well as recommendations for future developments.

School Groups at Ash Lawn Highland

Unit ID id242441

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302334

Unit Date Undated

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 5 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes lesson plans and activities for teachers to use before and during a school field trip to Ash Lawn Highland.

Christmas Celebrations

Unit ID id242443

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302335

Unit Date 1985-1987

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 6 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder includes lesson plans and activities for teachers to use before and during a school field trip to Ash Lawn Highland.

Press Releases

Unit ID id242459

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/302336

Unit Date 1987 July -1989 July

Mixed Materials 3 (Box)

Container 7 (Folder)

Scope and Contents

This folder contains press releases regarding the Ash Lawn Highland Chamber Music Festival, the summer festivals, Christmas celebrations, and more events at the historic estate.

Promotional Folder**Unit ID** id242460**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/302337**Unit Date** 1987**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)**Container** 8 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

This folder is a packet which includes brochures of Ash Lawn Highland, a short history of the site, a newspaper article regarding the home's festivities, and a peacock feather.

Administration and Finance**Unit ID** id242163**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/302338**Unit Date** Undated**Mixed Materials** 3 (Box)**Container** 9 (Folder)**Scope and Contents**

This folder includes the statement of purpose for the museum, information about the organization, Friends of Ash Lawn, and a budget for upcoming renovations.

Descendants Day at Highland**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/613557**Mixed materials** 3 (Box)**Container** 10 (Folder)