



DELAWARE ART MUSEUM

Brenda Kuhn Correspondence, 1962-1968 and undated

A Finding Aid to the Collection in the
Helen Farr Sloan Library & Archives, Delaware Art Museum

Acquisition Information

Gift of Sylvia Davies Diehl, June 2001

Extent

1 folder

Processed

Sarena Fletcher, 2006

Contents

Correspondence, photographs, exhibition catalogs, and magazine illustrations

Access Restrictions

Unrestricted

Contact Information

Helen Farr Sloan Library & Archives
Delaware Art Museum
2301 Kentmere Parkway
Wilmington, DE 19806
(302) 571-9590
hfslibrary@delart.org

Preferred Citation

Brenda Kuhn Correspondence, 1962-1968 and undated, Helen Farr Sloan Library & Archives,
Delaware Art Museum

Biography of Brenda Kuhn

Brenda Kuhn (1911-1993) was the daughter of Walt Kuhn (1877-1949), a painter and organizer of the 1913 Armory Show, and Vera Spier Kuhn (1885–1961), a jewelry-maker.

Scope and Contents Note

The Brenda Kuhn correspondence consists primarily of letters written between Brenda Kuhn and Niles Meriwether “Rab” Davies (1893-1969), the eldest son of artist Arthur B. Davies, and Niles’ wife, Erica Riepe Davies. There is repeated mention of manuscript material pertaining to both Walter Kuhn and Arthur B. Davies. This correspondence was collected and saved by Erica Riepe Davies and was donated in June 2001, along with other primary material relating to Arthur B. Davies and the 1913 International Exhibition of Modern Art, by Sylvia Davies Diehl, the daughter of Niles and Erica.

Organization of the Collection

Series I. Correspondence from Brenda Kuhn

Series II. Correspondence to Brenda Kuhn

Description of the Collection

Series I. Correspondence from Brenda Kuhn

Typed and signed letter to “Rab” (Niles M. Davies) and Erica D., September 24, 1962. Return address: Hotel Utica, Motel Section, Utica, NY. Mentions enclosed clipping from “The Country Citizen” and photostat of Wreath’s (Wreath Mason?) letter.

Handwritten letter to “Rab” (Niles M. Davies) and Erica, March 1, 1963. Return address: Hotel Chelsea, 222 West 23 ST., New York 11, N.Y. 2 leaves

Typed and signed letter to “Rab” (Niles M. Davies) and Erica, March 10, 1963, on Hotel Chelsea, New York City stationery. Envelope addressed to Mr. and Mrs. Mils M. Davies, Doctor Davies Farm, Congers, New York. Return address: Brenda Kuhn, Hotel Chelsea, 222 West 23 St., New York 11, N.Y. Postmark March 11, 1963.

Typed and signed letter to “Rab” (Niles M. Davies) and Erica, January 2, 1965. Return address: River Road, Cape Neddick, Maine 03902. Mentions seven boxes of material pertaining to Walter Kuhn to be microfilmed by Archives of American Art.

Envelope addressed to Mr. & Mrs. Niles M. Davies, Dr. Davies Lane, Congers, New York 10920. Return address: Brenda Kuhn, Cape Neddick Park, Cape Neddick, Maine 03902, December 11, 1968. Postmark December 11, 1968. Christmas greeting.

Christmas greeting signed Julie Ingersoll and Brenda Kuhn, no date.

Series II. Correspondence to Brenda Kuhn

Typed letter to Brenda, July 15, 1967. Mentions Brooks Wright writing a book about Arthur B. Davies and asks for contribution of pertinent manuscript material from Walter Kuhn's papers.

Typed letter to Brenda, no date. Return address: At the Farm, Dr. Davies Road, Congers, N.Y. Mentions Brooks Wright writing letter about Arthur B. Davies. 2 copies