

Naomi Whiting-Towner Artist File (1962-2020)

Biographical Note

Naomi Whiting-Towner was an Illinois fiber artist specializing in weaving. She graduated from the Rochester Institute of Technology in 1965 with an MFA in Textiles, and a year later became a professor at Illinois State University. Whiting-Towner was a published author of 11 books on fiber art and weaving. She retired from teaching in 1999, and died in 2018.

Scope and Content

The collection contains exhibition materials, catalogs, publicity materials, the artist's written work, research materials, teaching materials, correspondence, and slides. In addition to the artist's materials, the collection contains the artist's personal collection of weaving samples. The majority of these samples also include a profile of the artist who made them and instructions on how to use the techniques used to make the samples.

Summary Information

Title: Naomi Whiting Towner Artist File

Dates: 1962-2020

Extent: 2 boxes (0.8 linear feet)

Arrangement

Series 1: Artist File

Box 1 Folder 1: Biography

Box 1 Folder 2: Exhibition Materials

Box 1 Folder 3: Publications

Box 1 Folder 4: Slides

Box 1 Folder 5: Teaching Materials

Box 1 Folder 6: Teaching Materials, Evaluations
Box 1 Folder 7: Written Work

Box 2 Folder 1: Correspondence, 1960s
Box 2 Folder 2: Correspondence, 1975-1977
Box 2 Folder 3: Correspondence, 1978-1979
Box 2 Folder 4: Correspondence, 1980-1983
Box 2 Folder 5: Correspondence, 1985-1989
Box 2 Folder 6: Correspondence, 1990s
Box 2 Folder 7: Correspondence, Joan Michaels-Paque
Box 2 Folder 8: Weaving Samples Collection