Schuyler N. Nolan Landscape Architectural Records
1939-1973
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Title: Schuyler N. Nolan Landscape Architectural Records

Creator: Schuyler N. Nolan

Inclusive Dates: 1939-1973

Extent: 4.9 cu. ft.

Containers: 1 flat file drawer, 1 OVC box, 1 manuscript box

Language of Materials: Materials entirely in English.

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Biographical Note:
Schuyler Nicholas Nolan (1894-1981) was born at Monroe City, Indiana. His father was a part-time barber and part-time gardener. After graduating from high school in 1912, he moved to South Bend and then Chicago, where he completed the Chicago Technical School mechanical drafting course. From the end of the First World War until 1930, he did residential landscape work in Danville, Peoria, Elgin, and River Forest, Illinois. In the 1930s, he was employed by the Indianapolis Parks Department (1933-35) and the Indiana State Highway Commission (1935-37), and he was landscape architect for the Indianapolis Home Shows of 1933, 1934, 1937, and 1939. Except for a short period during WWII, Nolan ran a single-person landscape architecture practice in Indianapolis from 1937 until his retirement in 1976. He also owned and operated a plant nursery (Amherst Nurseries) in Nora, Indiana, 1949-1961.

Sources:
Materials in the collection
Schuyler N. Nolan
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Historical Note:
Scope and Contents:
The collection consists of records pertaining to Schuyler N. Nolan’s landscape architecture practice in Indianapolis, 1939-1973. It includes landscape and garden plans for 56 projects of various types: private homes and estates, banks, insurance companies, schools, and churches. Among the commercial clients are Glendale Shopping Center, L. S. Ayres & Co., and Indiana National Bank. Nolan also did work for Washington Park Cemetery and the 1937 Indianapolis Home Show. Residential clients include William C. Griffith Jr., Robert C. McDermond, and Mrs. J. K. Lilly. Most of the projects are located in Indianapolis and surrounding communities. Projects outside the Indianapolis area are the Floyd J. Bailey estate in Peru, Indiana, and the Mariemont Apartments in Cincinnati.

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Custodial History:
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Accruals: No additions are expected.

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Arrangement:
The Schuyler N. Nolan Landscape Architecture Records are arranged chronologically.

Controlled Access Headings:
- Documents
- Photographic negatives
- Landscape architecture
- Landscape design
- Urban landscape architecture
- Nolan, Schuyler N. (Schuyler Nicholas), b. 1894
- Scrapbook
- Cemetery
- Schools
- Indianapolis (Ind.)
- School buildings