Daniel B. Young Landscape Architectural Records
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Creator: Daniel B. Young

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Biographical Note:
Daniel Bazil Young was born 12 August 1934 at Bingham, Utah. He did his undergraduate studies at the University of Utah, receiving a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 1961 and a Bachelor of Architecture degree in 1963. He then completed a Master of Landscape Architecture at the University of Michigan in 1965.

Young joined the faculty of landscape architecture at Ball State University in 1970. Shortly thereafter, in 1971 or 1972, he founded Daniel B. Young and Associates, Landscape Architects, with offices on High Street in Muncie. David L. Ferguson, Lloyd Trump, and Michael Sommer, graduates of the landscape architecture program at Ball State University, worked in Young’s office ca. 1975.

Young acquired the Brumond Smith Nursery in Muncie about 1978. His firm went bankrupt in 1979, and the nursery reverted to the Smith family.

Young resumed landscape architecture practice as Daniel B. Young, AIA, ASLA but then moved to Denver shortly thereafter, having joined the faculty of the University of Colorado. David
Ferguson kept the office open for a few months but then closed the doors and joined LandPlus West in 1980.

Young died unexpectedly on 6 January 1986.

Scope and Contents:
This collection contains photographs and nine sets of landscape architectural drawings for projects in Delaware, Grant, and Madison counties, Indiana, designed by Daniel B. Young and Daniel B. Young & Associates. It covers the period 1971 to 1979.

Many of the drawings are for proposed improvements at municipal and county parks: Shideler Park, Gaston town park, Bicentennial Park in Daleville, Strety Park in Anderson (on microfilm), and four city parks in Marion, Indiana. Specifications for some of the park improvements are included as well, as is a copy of the 1976 Delaware County Parks and Recreation Master Plan. One set of drawings concerns landscape improvements to the courthouse plaza in Portland, Indiana. For private clients, Young’s office designed a parking plaza for a bank in Portland, Indiana (1974) and the landscape for a prototype prefabricated house built by Ball Building Systems (1978).

On photographic film are views of the landscape for a First National bank; the office of Daniel B. Young & Associates on High Street in Muncie, ca 1975, with employees Lloyd Trump and Michael Sommer; and a 1976 event at Shideler Park, with Dan Young, Betty Guemple, Norman Tirey, and Dick Johnson.

The earliest project in the collection is a 1971 set of drawings by Young for an “Optimal Planning Approach to an Ecologically Defined Unit of Land.”

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Arrangement:
The Daniel B. Young Architectural Records are arranged chronologically.

Controlled Access Headings:
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- Architecture--Indiana--Indianapolis
- Drawings, architectural (visual works)
- Park (recreation area)
- Landscape architecture
- Recreational facilities
- Photographs
- Documents on microfilm
- Young, Daniel B. (Daniel Bazil), 1934-1986