

# **Education Department Photographs Collection**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Archives and Manuscripts Collections, The Baltimore Museum of Art
<b>Title</b>	Education Photographs Collection
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1942-2002.
<b>Extent</b>	2.0 Linear feet (6 boxes)
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	The Education Photographs Collection documents classes, workshops, activities, and tours related to adult art education, children's art education, and the docent program.

### Preferred Citation

Education Department Photographs Collection, Archives and Manuscripts Collections, The Baltimore Museum of Art

## Scope and Contents

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The Education Photographs Collection contains visual documentation of the BMA's wide variety of classes, workshops, activities, events, and tours for visitors of all ages. This collection also includes images of artwork created by program participants, as well as images of docents, docent tours, and docent training sessions. Formats in the collection include negatives, copy negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, and slides. Materials are organized into three series: 1. Adult Classes and Activities; 2. Children's Classes and Activities; 3. Museum Tours. Negatives have been separated from other formats within the collection for conservation reasons.

For images of Education Department special events that were not regularly scheduled activities see the Events Photographs Collection. For images of exhibitions which featured artwork by BMA class participants, see the Exhibitions Photographs Collection.

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## Arrangement

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This collection is arranged in three series: Adult Classes and Activities (Series 1), Children's Classes and Activities (Series 2), and Museum Tours (Series 3). Each series is arranged chronologically.

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## Administrative Information

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### Provenance

Materials in this collection were transferred to Archives and Special Collections from the Education Department and the Marketing and Communications Department. Additional materials were removed from records in the Archives: Education Department Records, Marketing and Communications Records, and Vertical Files.

## **Processing Information**

This collection was originally a series within the BMA Photograph Collection. The original Photograph Collection was processed from 2004-2014 by Emily Rafferty. From July-August 2015, Melissa E. Wertheimer rearranged, incorporated additions, processed, and wrote the final finding aid for the Education Photographs Collection.

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## **Related Materials**

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### **Location of Associated Material**

Events Photographs Collection, Archives and Special Collections, Baltimore Museum of Art.

Exhibitions Photographs Collection, Archives and Special Collections, Baltimore Museum of Art.

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## **Controlled Access Headings**

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### **Corporate Name(s)**

- Baltimore City Public Schools.
- Bryn Mawr School.
- Goucher College.
- Johns Hopkins University.
- Maryland Institute, College of Art.
- Maryland School for the Blind.
- William S. Baer Junior High School (Baltimore, Md.).

### **Genre(s)**

- Black-and-white negatives
- Color negatives
- Color slides
- Photographs

### Personal Name(s)

- Albright, Jody
- Barton, Margaret P.
- Boas, Belle
- Covey, Victor C. B.
- Kramer, Reuben, 1909-
- McComas, Matilda P.
- Russum, Olin

### Subject(s)

- Art -- Study and teaching
- Art education
- Art museum visitors
- Art museums and community
- Education -- Museums
- Museum docents

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## Historical Note

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### Education Milestones at the BMA

1925

Mildred C. Kingsbury founds the Art Information Desk and leads the first BMA tours.  
Free story hours for children begin in July 1925.  
James W. Howard, Jr. conducts the Saturday fall story hour series with talks and original illustrations.

1925-1969	BMA Docent Program purview of the Art Information Desk.
1926	Talks on Art for adults begin as free winter events on Sundays.
1929	Education Department forms in conjunction with the opening of the Wyman Park location.
1930	Children's Room established as children's exhibit space.
1938	Junior Museum established.
1950	Opening of the Young People's Art Center, gift of Saidie A. May.
1970	Docent Program transferred to the Education Department from the Art Information Desk.

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## Adult Classes and Activities.

## Collection Inventory

**Adult Classes and Activities. 1959-circa 1979, undated. 0.2 Linear feet**

### Scope and Contents

Series 1 contains negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, and slides which document adult art education classes and activities at the BMA, including classes for senior citizens. The series also includes images of artwork produced by adult students involved in these department programs.

### Box

Indoor Painting Class. 1959. negatives.	1
Indoor Classes. 1959. contact prints.	1
Adult Pottery Class with Olin Russum. 1950s. negatives, photographic prints.	1
Wreath-Making Workshop. 1950s. negatives, photographic prints.	1
Weaving Class. circa 1950-1969. slides.	1
Miss Spencer's Goucher Class in Members Room. circa 1960. negative.	1
Lecture and Tour of Art Storage. 1965 Jan. negative, photographic print.	1
Senior Citizens Working. circa 1960-1980. copy negative, photographic prints.	1



**Children's Classes and Activities.**

Adult Lecture. after 1970. slide.	1
Summer Class. 1971. contact prints.	1
Indoor Painting Class. 1972, 1973 Dec. photographic print, slide.	1
Indoor Classes. 1970s. negatives, photographic prints.	1
Painting by Member of Adult Sketch Class. undated. negative.	1
<b>Children's Classes and Activities. 1942-2001, undated. 1.0 Linear feet</b>	
<b>Scope and Contents</b>	
Series 2 contains negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, and slides which document BMA classes and activities for children and families. The series also includes images of artwork produced by participants of the various department programs. Many classes and workshops included tour components; images of tours in this series are included only if the affiliated class can be identified (i.e., Art + Fun = BMA, Close Encounters, or Student Tuesdays). For all other images of tours, see Series 3 (Museum Tours).	
<b>1940s.</b>	
Summer Sketch Club. 1942 Aug, 1943, 1940s. photographic prints.	
	<b>Box</b>
Graphic materials	1
	<b>Box</b>

1950s.

Graphic materials	OS	<b>Box</b>
Indoor Classes. before 1943. photographic prints.		1
Children Working in Junior Studio. 1943 Feb. photographic prints.		1
Indoor Sketch Class. 1944 Feb. negatives.		1
Junior Sketch Class. 1944. copy negative.		1
Junior Studio. 1944. copy negative, photographic prints.		1
Girl Scouts Reading. circa 1947. photographic print.		1
Artwork by Children. 1948, 1940s. photographic prints.		1
Children's Story Hour in Chestertown Room. 1940s. photographic print.		1
Classes with Belle Boas. 1940s. photographic prints.		1
Indoor Classes. circa 1940-1959. photographic prints.		1
<b>1950s.</b>		
<b>Box</b>		
Classes with Belle Boas. 1950, 1953 Dec. photographic prints.		1

## 1950s.

Indoor Class. 1953 Dec 31. photographic prints.	1
Artwork by Children. 1953. photographic print.	1
Summer Creative Art Classes. 1955. negatives, photographic prints.	1
Artwork by Children. 1957-1959. slides.	
	<b>Box</b>
Graphic materials	6
	<b>Box</b>
Graphic materials	5
	<b>Box</b>
Children Working. 1959 Mar 1. contact prints.	1
Indoor Classes. 1959. slides.	6
Outdoor Class with Baltimore Zoo Traveling Unit. 1959. negatives, photographic print.	1
Basketry Presentation to Girl Scouts. 1950s. photographic prints.	1
Indoor Classes. 1950s. negatives, photographic prints.	1
Animal Fair. 1950s. negative.	1
Children Working. circa 1950-1965. photographic prints.	1

1960s.

Indoor and Outdoor Activities. circa 1950-1965. contact prints, photographic prints.	1
<b>1960s.</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
Indoor Classes. 1967. slides.	1
Indoor Classes. 1960s. contact prints, photographic prints.	1
<b>1970s.</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
Summer Classes. 1970 Jul. negatives, contact prints.	1
Indoor Class: Inflated Plastic Environment. 1970 Dec. negatives, contact prints.	1
Summer Classes. 1971. negatives, contact prints, photographic prints.	1
Indoor Class: 8-11 Year-Olds. 1971-1972. negatives, photographic prints.	1
Outdoor Class: Chalk-In. 1972. slides.	1
Summer Class: City Building. 1973 Jul. negatives, contact prints.	1
Indoor Classes. 1973. slides.	1
African Exhibition Activities. 1975 Jul. negatives, contact prints, photographic print.	1

## 1980s.

Indoor Classes. circa 1975. photographic prints, slides.	1
Indoor Class with Reuben Kramer. 1978 Mar. negatives, contact prints.	1
Indoor Classes. 1970s. negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, slides.	1
Indoor Classes. circa 1970-1989. negatives.	1
<b>1980s.</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
Indoor Class. 1980 Feb. negatives.	2
St. Paul's Students and Computers. 1983 Mar. negatives.	2
Indoor Class. 1984 Jun. negatives, contact prints.	2
Indoor Class. 1985 Jun. negatives.	2
Activity in Schaefer Court. 1986 Sep. slide.	2
Bryn Mawr Students. 1987 Dec. negatives.	2
Classes in Schaefer Court. 1987, 1988, circa 1980s. negatives, photographic prints.	2
Indoor Classes. circa 1987. negatives.	2

1990s.

1990s.		<b>Box</b>
Outdoor Classes. 1992-1993. photographic prints.		2
Close Encounters. 1993 May. negatives.		2
Barclay School Children and Masks. 1994 Apr. negatives, contact prints, slides.		2
Art + Fun = BMA. 1994. copy negative, photographic prints.		2
Activities in Galleries. circa 1995. photographic prints.		2
Art + Fun = BMA. 1996. photographic prints, slides.		2
Bryn Mawr Day. 1997 Jun. negative, slides.		2
Junior Docents. 1997 Sep. photographic prints.		2
Art + Fun = BMA. 1997. negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, slides.		2
Indoor Classes. 1997. photographic prints, slides.		2
Story Telling. 1997. slides.		2
Indoor Activities. circa 1997-1998. contact prints, photographic prints.		2

1990s.

MICA Art Education Class. 1998 May. negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, slides.	2
Super Camp. 1998 Aug 5. slides.	2
Art + Fun = BMA. 1998 Oct 2. negatives, contact prints.	2
Indoor Classes. 1998. copy negative, photographic prints.	2
Outdoor Activities. 1998. photographic prints.	2
Student Tuesdays. circa 1998. photographic prints.	2
Indoor Classes and Activities. circa 1998-1999. negatives.	3
Indoor Classes. 1999 May. photographic prints.	3
Indoor and Outdoor Activities. 1999 Aug. negatives, photographic prints.	3
Art + Fun = BMA. 1999. photographic prints.	3
Indoor Class with Dorothy Valakos. 1999. photographic prints.	3
Indoor and Outdoor Activities. 1999. photographic prints.	3
Close Encounters. 1999, undated. slides.	3

**2000s.**

Indoor and Outdoor Activities. 1990s. photographic prints. 3

Art + Fun = BMA. circa 1990-2001. slides. 3

Indoor and Outdoor Activities. circa 1990-2000. slides. 3

**2000s.****Box**

Children Working. 2000, circa 2000. photographic prints, slides. 3

Indoor Classes. 2000 Mar. negatives. 3

Indoor Painting Class and Activities. 2000 Mar. photographic prints. 3

Cecil Elementary School Visit. 2000 May. photographic prints. 3

Art + Fun = BMA. 2000 Oct. negatives, contact prints, slides. 3

Indoor Family Activities. 2001 Feb. slides. 3

Art + Fun = BMA. 2001. contact prints, slides. 3

Close Encounters. 2001. contact prints, slides. 3

Mosaic Workshop. 2001. negatives, photographic prints. 3

**Box**



**Museum Tours.**

Artwork by Children. undated. photographic prints.

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**Museum Tours. 1955-2002, undated. 0.6 Linear feet****Scope and Contents**

Series 3 contains negatives, contact prints, photographic prints, and slides which document group tours of BMA galleries and exhibitions. The majority of the images in this series depict public and private school field trips and general docent tours for visitors of all ages. This series also contains images of docent training sessions. Tours which were components of adult, children's, or family workshops are included in this series if the class or workshop could not be identified. Images of specific workshop tours, such as Art + Fun = BMA, may be found in Series 2.

**1950s.****Box**

Children Tour Maryland Wing. 1955 May. negatives, photographic print.

3

Children Tour Cone Wing. circa 1957-1959. photographic print.

3

Children Tour Epstein Collection. 1950s. photographic prints.

3

Children Tour Native American Objects in Antioch Court. 1950s. photographic prints.

3

Docent Leads Student Tour. circa 1950-1965. negatives, photographic prints.

3

**1960s.****Box**

1960s.

Hopkins Orientation Tours with Barbara Fuchsman and Victor Covey. 1964 Sep 21-22. negatives, photographic prints.	3
Margaret Barton Leads Student Tour of Cone Wing. 1965 Feb. negatives.	3
Margaret Barton Leads Goucher College Freshmen Tour. 1965 Oct. negatives, photographic print.	3
Students Outside with Rodin. 1966 Apr. negative, contact prints, photographic prints.	3
Docents Leading Tours. 1968 Feb 1. negatives, contact prints, photographic print.	3
Students Tour American Wing. 1968. photographic print.	3
Jody Albright Leads Student Tour in Cone Wing. 1960s. photographic print.	3
Docents Lead Student Tours. 1960s. contact prints, photographic prints.	3
Young Adults on Tour. 1960s. negatives, photographic prints.	3
Children Tour Cone Wing. 1960s. negatives, photographic prints.	3
Children Tour Museum Shop. 1960s. photographic prints.	3
Student Group in Antioch Court. circa 1960s. negatives.	3
Docent Leads Adult Tours. circa 1960-1975. photographic prints.	4

1970s.

Docent Leads Adult Tour of Epstein Collection. circa 1960-1980. photographic print. 4

Docents Lead Adult Tours of Jacobs Wing. circa 1960-1980. contact prints, photographic prints. 4

### Location of Associated Material

Photographic prints of some contact print images may be found in Series 1, Adult Classes and Activities, folder "Senior Citizens Working".

1970s.

### Box

Docent Leads Student Tour. 1971 Feb. negatives. 4

City Docent Tours. 1971. negatives, contact prints. 4

Maryland School for the Blind Students on Tour. 1974 Dec. photographic print. 4

Blind Adults with Matisse Sculpture. circa 1978. contact prints. 4

Docent Leads Adult Tour. 1970s. photographic print. 4

Docents Lead Children's Tours. 1970s. slides. 4

Docent Training. 1970s. negatives, contact prints. 4

Docents Lead Adult Tours. circa 1970-1985. negatives. 4

1980s.

4

Docents Lead Student Tours. circa 1970-1985. negatives.

1980s.

**Box**

4

Docent Leads Student Tours. 1980 Jan. negatives, contact prints.

4

Docents Lead Children's Tours. 1981 Mar. slides.

4

Bryn Mawr Students Tour Brener Show. 1981 Oct. negatives.

4

Docent Leads Children's Tours. 1982. negatives, contact prints.

4

Docent Training. 1982, 1986. slides.

4

Park School Students Tour Cone Wing. 1984 Nov. negatives.

4

Children on Tour. 1985 Jan, 1985 May. negatives, contact prints.

4

Student Tours. 1986 May. negatives, contact prints.

4

Docents Lead Children's Tours. 1986. slides.

4

Docent Tours. 1987 Sep. negatives.

4

Docents Lead Children's Tours of Cone Wing. 1987, 1980s. photographic print, slides.

1990s.

1990s.		<b>Box</b>
Docents Lead Children's Tours of Cone Wing. 1992-1993, before 2000. photographic prints, slides.		4
Students Tour Jacobs Wing. 1993 Jan, 1990s. slides.		4
Student Tours. 1993. negatives.		4
Students Tour Modern Art Galleries. before 1994. negatives.		4
Baer School Children Tour Sculpture Gardens. 1994 Apr 19. negatives, photographic prints, slides.		4
Children on Tours. 1994. photographic prints.		4
Docent Tours of West Wing for Modern and Contemporary Art. after 1994. slides.		4
Gwynn Fall Elementary School Students on Tour with Schroeder Cherry. 1995 Feb. photographic prints.		4
Children in Galleries. 1995 Aug. negatives, contact prints.		4
Student Tours. 1996. slides.		4
Docents Lead Student Tours of Arts of Africa, the Americas, and Oceania. 1996, circa 1998. photographic prints, slides.		4

**2000s.**

Students Tour Cone Wing. 1998. photographic print.	4
Students Tour Jacobs Wing. 1998. photographic prints, slides.	4
Students Tour West Wing for Modern and Contemporary Art. 1998. photographic prints, slides.	4
Docents Lead Children's Tours. 1999 Mar 17. slides.	4
Docents Lead Children's Tours of Cone Wing. 1999 Mar 17. slides.	4
Docents Lead Children's Tours of Jacobs Wing. 1999 Mar 17. slides.	4
Docents Lead Children's Tours of Schaefer Court. 1999 Mar 17. slides.	4
Docents Lead Children's Tours of West Wing for Modern and Contemporary Art. 1999 Mar 17. slides.	4
Docents Lead Children's Tours. 1999 Mar 19. negatives.	4
<b>2000s.</b>	
	<b>Box</b>
Children Tour West Wing for Modern and Contemporary Art. 2000. slides.	4
Docent Leads Student Tour of Cone Wing. 2000. slides.	4

**2000s.**

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Docent Leads Student Tour of Maryland Wing. 2000. slides.	4
Elementary School Students in Schaefer Court. 2000. slides.	4
Students Tour Cone Wing and African Galleries. 2001 May. slides.	4
Students Tour Cone Wing. 2002 Jan. slides.	4
Students Tour West Wing for Modern and Contemporary Art. 2002 Jan. slides.	4
	<b>Box</b>
Docent Tours. undated. negatives, slides.	4