# THE PHILLIPS COLLECTION

After Matisse

1987

Finding Aid

The Phillips Collection Library and Archives 1600 21st Street NW Washington D.C. 20009 www.phillipscollection.org

#### **CURATORIAL RECORDS IN THE PHILLIPS COLLECTION ARCHIVES**

#### INTRODUCTORY INFORMATION

Collection Title: After Matisse; exhibition records

Author/Creator: The Phillips Collection Curatorial Department

Collection No: Size: I folder Bulk dates:

Inclusive dates: 1987

**Repository:** The Phillips Collection Archives

#### **ABSTRACT**

After Matisse exhibition records contain materials created and collected by The Phillips Collection Curatorial Department throughout the process of organizing the 1987 exhibition. Included are publicity, reviews and correspondence.

#### **HISTORICAL NOTE**

The Phillips Collection owns five works by Henri Matisse; three pen and ink drawings and two paintings, Studio, Quai St. Michel (1916) and Interior with Egyptian Curtain (1948).

# **SCOPE AND CONTENT OF THE COLLECTION**

After Matisse, held at The Phillips Collection in 1987, was a group exhibition that illuminated the lasting influence of French painter Henri Matisse upon subsequent generations of American artists. The exhibition featured 42 works by 37 artists and range from a 1936 oil painting by Hans Hoffman to a 1985 drawing by artist Dan Flavin.

These curatorial records were collected and created during the research, planning and execution of the After Matisse exhibition and catalogue.

The exhibition opened at The Phillips Collection in Washington, D.C. on June 20, 1987 and remained until August 19, 1987.

The primary creator of the exhibition planning records was The Phillips Collection Curatorial Department.

The bulk of the collection consists of exhibition related documents. The records include correspondence; publicity; and a review.

#### **CUSTODIAL HISTORY AND ACQUISTION INFORMATION**

The collection is owned by The Phillips Collection and was accessioned from the curator's office, in accordance with the museum records schedule.

# PROCESSING AND DESCRIPTION INFORMATION

**Date Processed:** Research materials processed by Michele De Shazo January, 2009 through February 2, 2009.

**Processed By:** Michele De Shazo, Volunteer Archives Assistant, supervised by Karen Schneider, Librarian.

**Processing Notes:** After an initial inventory of the collection, some documents were identified as being of no future reference value for the collection, such as duplicate documents and expense reports. These items were weeded with the librarian's approval. Original newsprint articles were copied onto acid-free paper; all documents were re-foldered in acid-free folders and metal paper clips were replaced with plastic clips.

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#### **RELATED MATERIAL**

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#### ARRANGEMENT OF THE COLLECTION

The collection is organized into one series:

# **Exhibition Planning**

Within the Exhibition Planning series the materials are arranged chronologically within the folder.

The collection maintains the original order created by the Curatorial Department of The Phillips Collection.

#### SERIES DESCRIPTION

#### **Series I: Exhibition Planning**

The Exhibition Planning Series contains material assembled to facilitate the organization and execution of the After Matisse Exhibition.

#### **Box Inventory**

# Series I: Exhibition Planning

Folder I Correspondence; publicity; review