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HISTORY

The Yellowstone National Art Trust (YNAT) was established to nurture the arts in Yellowstone by gathering, documenting, recognizing, and displaying the art of Yellowstone. Officially established in 2001, the Yellowstone National Art Trust worked closely with Yellowstone National Park to bring art into the park. One of their first contributions to the Park was a donation of a 4 by 6 foot oil painting of Old Faithful Geyser erupting by Paco Young that was displayed in the Old Faithful Inn.

This organization was active through 2004. Information on the end of the Trust is unknown, but it ceased corporation filings after March 2004.

SCOPE AND CONTENT

YELLOWSTONE NATIONAL ART TRUST RECORDS 2001-2004

CATALOG NUMBER MSC 192 (YELL 80034)

VOLUME 0.75 LF (2 Boxes)

DESCRIPTION This collection contains the business and meeting documents of the Yellowstone National Art Trust. The collection mainly consists of correspondence and notes, including copies of email conversations, bound directories of the Board of Trustees, and bound copies of Board meeting handouts.

The Board of Trustees section includes directories with contact information and resumes, and in some cases, biographies for members of the Board of Trustees from 2002-2004. The Business Documents section includes plans and reports for the Trust. These include a Business Plan and a Fundraising Plan from 2002 and a Financial Report from 2003.

The Meetings section consists of meeting booklets from annual board meetings in 2002 and 2003, plus additional meetings in 2002, and another meeting in the winter of 2004. These booklets include agendas, minutes, and other information about potential projects. Also included in this collection is correspondence, notes, and other miscellaneous documents related to the YNAT board meetings. A lot of the correspondence is between Laurie Simms, YNAT Board President and Diane Chalfant, Chief of Interpretation at Yellowstone National Park, who was the liaison with YNAT. Also included are reports from Diane to Suzanne Lewis, Superintendent of Yellowstone National Park and others in the Park, regarding Diane's interactions with YNAT and the board members.

Researchers might find this collection useful for information on nonprofit groups for Yellowstone, nonprofit partnerships with Yellowstone, and arts programs in Yellowstone.

ORGANIZATION This collection is arranged by function and then chronologically.

PROVENANCE Separated from Park administrative records transferred in 2018.

RESTRICTIONS NO

ASSOCIATED MATERIALS Interpretation and Education Records (RG06), Yellowstone National Park Combined Archives

CONTAINER LIST**Box 1**

File Unit	Title
01.01	Board of Trustees: directory, 2002?
01.02	Board of Trustees: directory, 2003?
01.03	Board of Trustees: directory, 2004?
01.04	Board of Trustees: correspondence and misc. documents, 2001-2004
01.05	Business: business plan, 2002
01.06	Business: fundraising plan, 2002
01.07	Business: strategic planning, 2002-2003
01.08	Business: financial report, 2002
01.09	Meetings: meeting booklets, 2002
01.10	Meetings: meeting booklets, 2003

Box 2

File Unit	Title
02.01	Meetings: meeting booklets, 2004
02.02	Meetings: correspondence, notes, and misc. documents, 2002
02.03	Meetings: correspondence, notes, and misc. documents, 2003
02.04	Meetings: correspondence, notes, and misc. documents, 2004