

(Collection 143)

Le Corbusier, 1887-1965

A Finding Aid for

Lecture Sketches, 1961

in

The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania

October 27, 2000

Archival Description

Descriptive Summary

Title: Lecture Sketches, 1961.

Coll. ID: 143

Origin: Le Corbusier, 1887-1965, architect.

Extent: two sheets.

Repository: The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania
102 Meyerson Hall
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104-6311
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Abstract: The collection consists of two drawings, signed and dated April 27, 1961, pastel on vellum, 47 ³/₄ x 90 ¹/₂ inches.

Cataloging: Collection-level records for materials in the Architectural Archives may be found in RLIN Eureka, the union catalogue of members of the Research Libraries Group. The record number for this collection is PAUP00-A19.

Publications: Bacon, Mardges; Le Corbusier in America: Travels in the Land of the Timid. Cambridge, Mass; MIT Press; 2001.

Biographical/Historical Sketch

Born Charles-Édouard Jeanneret, Le Corbusier (1887-1965) studied engraving at the School of Applied Arts, La Chaux-de-Fonds, Switzerland. He worked in the offices of Auguste Perret (1908-10) and briefly for Peter Behrens (1910) before establishing an office in Paris. One of the central figures in the evolution of modern architecture, Le Corbusier is remembered for many significant buildings and projects realized throughout Europe, India, Japan and the Americas, as well as for his seminal book *Vers une Architecture* of 1923. Le Corbusier was the recipient of the American Institute of Architects Gold Medal in 1961. The award was presented at the AIA's National Convention which was held in Philadelphia.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of two drawings made by Le Corbusier during his visit to Philadelphia to receive the AIA Gold Medal at National AIA convention. He lectured, at the request of Norman N. Rice, in the Sylvania Hotel to students of architecture from various area universities. The drawings are signed and dated April 27, 1961.

Access Points for Indexing

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Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: This collection is available for research by appointment only.

Preferred citation: The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania, Gift of Le Corbusier.

Acquisition: Gift of Le Corbusier, 1961. Courtesy of Norman N. Rice.

Processing: The collection was processed and the finding aid prepared by William Whitaker, Collections Manager.

Container list**Series I. Architectural Drawings.**

Extent: Two framed drawings.

Frame#	Descriptive Title
143.1	Lecture Sketch, 1 sheet (54 1/4 x 93 3/4 x 3 1/2 inches framed). [note: Signed and dated 27/4/61.]
143.2	Lecture Sketch, 1 sheet (54 1/4 x 93 1/2 x 3 1/2 inches framed).