

## MG 197: Justice & Webb Landscape Architects fonds

Accessions: 998-16

**Dates:** nd, 1954-[1974]

**Extent:** 25 cm. of textual records + photographs + 12 folders of plans and drawings.

Biography: Desmond Muirhead & Associates, the first Vancouver-based firm to specialize in landscape architecture, was formed in 1951. The firm was joined by landscape architect Clive Justice in 1953 and by artist Harry J. Webb in 1955. The firm's name was changed to Muirhead & Justice Landscape Architects, and later, after Muirhead left the company in the 1960s, to Justice & Webb Landscape Architects. John Vincent joined the company in the late 1970s, after which the company's name was changed to Justice, Webb & Vincent Landscape Architects. The company designed mainly single family gardens and landscapes until the mid-1950s, when it began gradually to include such projects as sites for swimming pools, cabanas and similar structures, municipal parks, school grounds, public buildings and streets, commercial areas and townhouses. In the mid-1960s the firm also began a long involvement in the design and development of standards for landscapes on concrete slabs over underground parking for apartment blocks and towers in Vancouver's West End, Kerrisdale and Oakridge. Some of the firm's notable projects included Park and Tilford Gardens in North Vancouver, the University of British Columbia's Botanical Gardens, the University of Saskatchewan grounds, the Van Dusen Gardens, the Workers' Compensation Board office in Richmond, and parts of Oakridge Mall. The firm was dissolved in October, 1985. Desmond Muirhead & Associates, the first Vancouver-based firm to specialize in landscape architecture, was formed in 1951. The firm was joined by landscape architect Clive Justice in 1953 and by artist Harry J. Webb in 1955. The firm's name was changed to Muirhead & Justice Landscape Architects, and later, after Muirhead left the company in the 1960s, to Justice & Webb Landscape Architects. John Vincent joined the company in the late 1970s, after which the company's name was changed to Justice, Webb & Vincent Landscape Architects. The company designed mainly single family gardens and landscapes until the mid-1950s, when it began gradually to include such projects as sites for swimming pools, cabanas and similar structures, municipal parks, school grounds, public buildings and streets, commercial areas and townhouses. In the mid-1960s the firm also began a long involvement in the design and development of standards for landscapes on concrete slabs over underground parking for apartment blocks and towers in Vancouver's West End, Kerrisdale and Oakridge. Some of the firm's notable projects included Park and Tilford Gardens in North Vancouver, the University of British Columbia's Botanical Gardens, the University of Saskatchewan grounds, the Van Dusen Gardens, the Workers' Compensation Board office in Richmond, and parts of Oakridge Mall. The firm was dissolved in October, 1985.

Scope and Content: This fonds consists of working files, correspondence, lists, plans, drawings,

sketches and photographs pertaining to the planning and execution of landscaping at the U of S Saskatoon and Regina Campuses as well as St. Joseph College in Yorkton.

**Arrangement:** This fonds has been organized into two series.

- I. Working files. nd, 1954-[1974]. \$2.10.
- II. Plans, Drawings and Sketches. 1957-1969. OS.

The filing system employed by Justice and Webb has been maintained.

**Restrictions:** There are no restrictions.

Finding aid revised by Lisa Carpenter and Stevie Horn, 2017.

## **I. Working files.** - nd, 1954-[1974]. - 25 cm.

- U1.1 Linear Accelerator [54-15]. 1964.
- U1.2 Animal Husbandry Building [62-36]. 1958.
- U1.3 Arts Building [62-41]. 1958-1962.
- U2.1 Biology Building [58-20]; [62-37]. 1958-1962.
- U2.2 Bowl. 1962-1963.
- U3.1 College Avenue Trees. 1964.
- U4.1 Buildings and Grounds. 1959-1964.
- U5.1 Education Building. 1967-1970.
- U5.2 Emmanuel College. 1963.
- U5.3 Engineering Building [62-38]. 1960-1961.
- U5.4 Campus Entrances [62-50]. 1962.
- U6.1 Farm Entrance. [62-46]. 1962.
- U7.1 Gardener/Grounds Supervisor. 1962-1970.
- U7.2 Gymnasium Physical Education Centre [62-]. 1962-1964.
- U8.1 Hospital. 1965.
- U9.1 Campus Planning. 1957.
- U12.1 Area East of PFRA [53-38]. 1963.
- U12.2 U of S Landscaping [62-01]. 1962-1969.
- U12.3 Library [62-42] [58-40]. 1958-1960.
- U13.1 Marquis Hall (Qu'Appelle Hall Addition). 1962-1963.
- U13.2 Medical College/Observatory Area. 1963.
- U13.3 Medical Research Building. 1958-1963.
- U13.4 Memorial Union Building (MUB). 1957-1963.
- U14.1 National Research Council (NRC) [64-38] [58-39]. 1957-1959.
- U16.1 Physics Addition. 1962-1968.
- U16.2 Negatives and Slides. nd.
- U16.2 U of S photographs numbered series. nd.
- U16.2 U of S photographs general. nd.
- U18.1 Regina Campus. 1963-1964.

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- U19.1 St Joseph's College Yorkton. 1963-1964.
- U19.2 St Thomas More College (STM) [63-33] [69-39]. 1961-1970.
- U19.2 Saskatchewan Hall Addition [62-35]. 1962-1964.
- U20.1 Thorvaldson Building. 1962-1965.
- U23.1 Wascana Centre [63-34]. 1963-1967.
- U23.2 Wiggins Avenue Entrance [62-45]. 1962-1963.
- Photographs. nd.
- Slides [74-66]. [1974].

Miscellaneous. - nd.

Appraisal of the Campus. - nd.

**2013-112** - The History and Development of a Landscape Architectural Practice in Vancouver. – 1994.

## II. Plans, Drawings and Sketches. - 1957-1969. - Oversize.

These folders include both building plans, and sketches imagining the completed campus of the future.

Folder 1 57-52 Memorial Union Building 58-20 Biology Building Folder 2 58-22 Animal Husbandry 58-23 Medical Research Library 58-33 Arts Building Folder 3 58-35 Murray Memorial Library 58-36 Virus Laboratory 58-39 National Research Council 60-27 Engineering Building 60-62 Thompson Building Folder 4 62-01 Saskatchewan Technical Institute 62-08 Gymnasium Area Folder 5 62-10 Bowl Area 62-33 Thorvaldson Building Folder 6 62-35 Saskatchewan Hall Addition 62-45 Wiggins Avenue Entry 62-46 East (Farm) Entry Road 62-50 Parking Lot E (General Plan) 62-51 Kirk Hall 63-28 Area east of PFRA Road. 63-34 Parking Lot

63-40 Administration Building North East 64-15 Accelerator Building 64-27 College St Widening 64-33 National Research Council	
64-38 National Research Council Building	Folder 8
66-57 Highway Bypass 67-26 Education Building 67-?	
67-62 Physics Building	Folder 9
69-04 Canadian Wildlife Building 69-39 (also 63-33) St. Thomas More College	
Misc.	Folder 10
U1.1 to U2.1 (from project files)  Plans for the Linear Accelerator, Animal Husbandry Building, Arts Building and Biology Building [58-20]; [62-37] 1958-1962.	ng
U5.3 : Engineering Building	Folder 11
U7.1 : Gardener/Grounds Supervisor U13.1: Marquis Hall (Qu'Appelle Hall Addition)	
U13.4: Memorial Union Building (MUB) U14.1: National Research Council (NRC)	
U18.1: Regina Campus. U19.2: St Thomas More College (STM) / Saskatchewan Hall Addition	
U23.1: Wascana Centre	
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