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Inventory of the Siegmund Wolfsohn Papers, 1918-2005

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Descriptive Summary

Title:	Siegmund Wolfsohn papers
Date(s)	1918-2005
Creator:	Wolfsohn, Siegmund, 1919-2000
Abstract:	Photographs, citizenship papers, immigration and school records, and other papers of Siegmund Wolfsohn, an Austrian Holocaust survivor who escaped Austria as part of the Kindertransport in 1939 and eventually settled in the United States.
Extent:	0.5 linear feet (4 folders, 1 photograph album)
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Biographical Note

Siegmund Wolfsohn (1919-2000) was born in Vienna, Austria, to Elias and Sylvia Greenberg Wolfsohn. He attended public schools in Vienna and was a student at the Vienna University of Technology (Technische Hochschule Wien). In early March 1939, he escaped Austria as part of the Kindertransport to Sweden. From there, he traveled to London in mid-August to visit his mother and sister before immigrating to the United States at the end of August.

Collection Overview

Photographs, citizenship papers, immigration and school records, and other papers of Siegmund Wolfsohn, an Austrian Holocaust survivor who escaped Austria as part of the Kindertransport in 1939 and eventually settled in the United States. Loose photographs show Wolfsohn and his classmates, his parents, and his sister; his photograph album includes a wedding portrait and other photographs of his parents, his sister, and Wolfsohn with friends and classmates in Austria, Sweden, England, and the United States.

Collection Arrangement

Materials are described at the item level.

Restrictions

Access Restrictions

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Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person, family, or organization, by topical subject, by place, and by types of material.

Names

Wolfsohn, Siegmund, 1919-2000

Subjects

Holocaust, Jewish (1939-1945)
Holocaust survivors--Austria--Vienna
Jewish refugees--United States
Kindertransports (Rescue operations)
World War, 1939-1945--Atrocities

Places

Vienna (Austria)

Types of Material

Birth certificates
Clippings (information artifacts)
Identity cards
Immigration records
Negatives
Passports
Photocopies
Photograph albums
Photographs
Report cards
Slides

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Acquisitions Information

Materials were donated in 2000 by Janet Wolfson.

Processing Information

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Inventory

Folder 1	Citizenship and other papers, 1927-1939, 1982, 2005 <p>Includes Wolfsohn's Austrian citizenship papers, Vienna University of Technology (Technische Hochschule Wien) identity card, German passport, and U.S. immigration records. Also includes Wolfsohn's reissued birth certificate (1982), his father's insurance records, and a newspaper clipping about the Holocaust Archives Project.</p>
Folder 2	Report cards and other school papers, 1925-1937 <p>Includes Wolfsohn's elementary and secondary school report cards and certificate for completing elementary school.</p>
Folder 3	Photographs, 1923, circa 1926, circa 1938, 1959, 1992 <p>Includes pre-war photographs of Wolfsohn and his classmates, his parents, Elias and Sylvia Greenberg Wolfsohn, and his sister, Dorit. Also includes post-war photographs of Wolfsohn and his children, Pamela and James, and his wife, Janet Buxbaum.</p>
Folder 4	Negatives and slides, 1918-1945, 1959, 1992, undated <p>Negatives of the photographs in folder 3 and also select pages from Wolfsohn's photograph album showing Wolfsohn, his parents, and his friends in Vienna, Cologne, Stockholm, London, New York City, Knoxville, Memphis, and Marietta (Ohio). Also includes negatives of his German passport, U.S. immigration records, and Technische Hochschule Wien identity card. Slides are of some of the same photographs and papers.</p>
Photograph Album	Photograph album, 1918-1949, undated <p>Photographs in this album include a wedding portrait and other photographs of Wolfsohn's parents, his sister, and Wolfsohn with friends and classmates in Austria, Sweden, England, and the United States.</p>