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Collection Overview

REPOSITORY: Yale Peabody Museum of Natural History
170 Whitney Avenue
New Haven, CT 06511
peabody.permissions@yale.edu
http://peabody.yale.edu/

CALL NUMBER: ANTAR.000006

CREATOR: Coe, Michael D.

TITLE: Michael D. Coe Archives

DATES: 1960–2014

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 15 linear feet (approximately; plus one map case)

LANGUAGE: In English.

SUMMARY: The archives of Michael D. Coe, accumulated during his time at Yale.

ONLINE FINDING AID: To cite or bookmark this finding aid, please use the following link: http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/ypm.antar.000006

Administrative Information

Cite As
Michael D. Coe Archives, Anthropology, Yale Peabody Museum

Biographical Sketch

Coe, Michael (b.1929) was Curator of Anthropology from 1968 to 1994. He is world famous for his research and publications on the Maya, the Olmec, and many other archaeological topics. His archaeological collections from the site of San Lorenzo Tenochtitlan are housed at the Peabody.

Education
- Ph.D. Harvard (1959)

Affiliations
- Central Intelligence Agency (1951-1954)
- University of Tennessee (1958-1960)
- Yale University (1960-present)

Description of the Material
Michael Coe’s archives.
Collection Contents

Series I. Maps

San Lorenzo Tenochtitlan area maps. Maps of the region around the San Lorenzo Tenochtitlan site used in research of the site. Call Number: 000389

San Lorenzo Tenochtitlan. Set of four maps including San Lorenzo archaeology site map, soil series map, topographic map, and vegetation and land use. Also includes three page note by Dr. Coe about the maps. Call Number: 000383
## Series II. Manuscript Materials

- **Atlas of Ancient America.** 2 folders, one with notes, correspondence etc. The other with manuscript.  
  Call Number: 034115

- **Fire God Paper.**  
  Call Number: 034122

- **In the Land of the Olmec.** Includes original figures and site maps related to San Lorenzo Tenochtitlan.  
  Call Number: 000397

- **Obsidian Trade at San Lorenzo Tenochtitlan, Mexico.**  
  Call Number: 000406

- **The Maya. Revised Edition.** Red binder with notes and outline.  
  Call Number: 034114
### Series III. Research Materials

Artifact Dating Techniques. Numerous papers, notes, etc. all having to do with dating techniques. Also includes copies of NFS proposals that propose work on said techniques as well as notes from a seminar given by Karl Turekian.
Call Number: 034113

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### Series V. Guatemala

#### Research Materials

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Pottery type and variety counts. Salinas la Blanca site. Also notes on modes and sherds discarded.**
  - Call Number: 033952
  - 1962

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Guatemala Project correspondence, radiocarbon dates, Ecology of Ocos Region, Faunal and Floral remains, and Physical Analysis of pottery thin sections from Salinas la Blanca site.**
  - Call Number: 033953
  - 1962

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Guatemala Project: Section profiles and notes on levels in the Salinas la Blanca sites. Patterns of settlement in the Ocos Region. Historical information on Popal Vuh.**
  - Call Number: 033954
  - 1962

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Guatemala Project: Negatives, contact prints, photographs. La Victoria, Ocos Region. Images from Ecuador are for comparisons.**
  - Call Number: 033955
  - 1962

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Field Catalogue 1957.**
  - Call Number: 033964
  - 1962

  - Call Number: 033965
  - 1962

- **Guatemala. Box 1. La Victoria Notes.**
  - Call Number: 033966

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Denton Correspondence.**
  - Call Number: 033967

- **Guatemala. Box 1. Salinas La Blanca: Original note cards of pottery type descriptions.**
  - Call Number: 033970

- **Guatemala. Box 5. Pacific Coast Guatemala.**
  - Call Number: 034003

- **Guatemala. Box 5. Lago Isabal, Guatemala. 27 aerial photographs.**
  - Call Number: 034004
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### Rio Chiquito Project
*Call Number: 034025*

### San Lorenzo Tenchtitlan
Includes site maps, excavation drawings.
*Call Number: 000400*

| 1966–1968 |  |
Series VIII. Correspondence

Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project General. 3 folders.
Call Number: 034016

Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project Field Correspondence. 2 folders.
Call Number: 034017

Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project: Artist Correspondence.
Call Number: 034018

Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project: Ethnology Correspondence.
Call Number: 034019

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Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project: Ecology, etc. Correspondence.
Call Number: 034022

Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project: Photogrammetry Correspondence.
Call Number: 034023

Correspondence. Box 6. Rio Chiquito Project: Personnel Correspondence.
Call Number: 034024

Inter-Departmental Correspondence. Box 6, 1 folder. General correspondence (to be filed separate from field documentation).
Call Number: 034012

Miscellaneous Correspondence.
Call Number: 035880
Robert H. Cobean. Miscellaneous notes on obsidian research. Call Number: 034106

Zeitlin. Miscellaneous, obsidian research. Related to Cobean. Call Number: 034107
Series X. Miscellaneous

1492. 6 folders: Notes, catalogs, essays, photographs, correspondence on objects to display in exhibit Circa 1492, in reference to the 500th anniversary of Columbus exhibit curated by Mike Coe and Ben Rouse at the National Gallery Smithsonian in 1992. Call Number: 034110

Mount Lebanon Shaker Village. Folders of photos related to the Circa 1492 exhibit curated by Coe and Rouse at the National Gallery in 1992. Call Number: 034111

Photographs, Drawings, Slides, Negatives. Miscellaneous photographs, slides and negatives and drawings of sites, artifacts etc. Call Number: 035879

Slides. Miscellaneous slides from various locations, possibly used for teaching. Call Number: 035195
Series XI. Oral Histories

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Mount Lebanon Shaker Village. Artifact catalog from North Family dump site.  
**Call Number:** 034101

Mount Lebanon Shaker Village. Floor plan drawings of the North Family Brethren Family Workshop.  
**Call Number:** 034102

Mount Lebanon Shaker Village. 35mm slides. 1 slide box. scanned.  
**Call Number:** 034103

**Call Number:** 034104

Mount Lebanon Shaker Village. Miscellaneous Shaker Village. 8 folders. Photographs, catalogues, notes, etc. document box and flat box.  
**Call Number:** 034108
Selected Search Terms
The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Geographic Names
Mexico

Genres / Formats
Field notebooks
Manuscript materials
Maps
Photographs

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Yale University