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Collection Overview

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**CALL NUMBER:** MSS.30

**CREATOR:** Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

**TITLE:** Joshua Reynolds Archive

**DATES:** 1749–1816

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 1 linear foot

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The collection comprises correspondence, notebooks, writings, and other
manuscript material by or about the artist Joshua Reynolds.

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

Administrative Information

**Immediate Source of Acquisition**
Gift of Frederick W. Hilles.

**Conditions Governing Access**
The materials are open for research.

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Existence and Location of Copies

Letters by Reynolds have been published by Hilles and Ingamells/Edgcumbe, as noted in the Bibliography herewith. Material in the present collection described in Ingamells has been annotated with the Ingamells entry number.

Related Materials

Additional material from the Hilles collection of Reynolds material is now in the Department of Prints and Drawings at the Yale Center for British Art. Records for this material may be accessed in the YCBA’s online catalog: http://http://britishart.yale.edu/collections/search

A portion of the Hilles collection of Reynolds material is now at the Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library (Yale University), in the Frederick W. Hilles Manuscript Collection http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/beinecke.hilles.

Frederick W. Hilles’ copy of his Letters of Sir Joshua Reynolds (Cambridge, 1929), with his profuse annotations, is now in the collections of the Yale Center for British Art: http://hdl.handle.net/10079/bibid/582640.

Biographical / Historical

“There has never been a time when Joshua Reynolds was not regarded as one of the great men of the Enlightenment in England and a portrait and history painter of tremendous versatility, inventiveness, originality, and ambition.

Reynolds was the seventh of the ten or eleven children of a schoolmaster and his wife, both of whose families were abundant with Church of England clergymen. Showing prodigious talent as a boy, he was apprenticed for four years to the London portrait painter Thomas Hudson of Lincoln’s Inn Fields, before establishing a burgeoning portrait practice in London and Plymouth. In 1749-50, Reynolds traveled to Italy and France by way of Spain and Morocco. In Rome he copied the Old Masters, for eighteen months scouring the city’s churches’ princely art collections and working his way back across the Continent, similarly absorbing a host of artistic exempla. Upon his return to London, Reynolds resumed his portrait practice and achieved rapid commercial and critical success, although the failure of some of his experiments with certain fugitive pigments and varnishes was soon apparent.

Beginning in 1760, when he leased a large house at 47 Leicester Square, Reynolds exhibited with the Society of Artists but eventually distanced himself from the squabbles that increasingly divided the members from their committee. He also hesitated before accepting the invitation to become the first President of a rival “Academy” that was founded in 1768 with patronage of King George III. As President, Reynolds was knighted in April 1769, an honor that was not without precedent but that signaled Reynolds’s certain preeminence in the institutional art world of London. In the Discourses he delivered as President, Reynolds set out the principles to which a great national school of art should adhere, ennobled by poetry and eloquence, intellectual dignity, and the purity of the so-called great style of Michelangelo, Raphael, and the Florentine-Roman tradition of disegno.

In the 1770s and 1780s, Reynolds’s portrait subjects included most of the great men and women of the age: his own good friend Dr. Samuel Johnson, the king and queen, Sir Joseph Banks, James Boswell, Oliver Goldsmith, David Garrick, and others. He created a sideline in imaginative portrait studies of children, known as “fancy pictures,” and also experimented with history painting. As Reynolds aged, he showed an increasing awareness of and interest in Dutch art and continued to be showered with honors, both domestic and foreign. In old age, the deafness he blamed on a chill he said he caught in the Sistine Chapel got worse (but that, like his harelip, was probably hereditary); in addition, his eyesight deteriorated. Although he was immensely self-important, and to that extent personally vain, in his marvelous self-portraits Reynolds freely acknowledged the existence of all three maladies, most obviously the harelip, but
also his ear trumpet and spectacles, while other artists in their portraits of him rarely acknowledged their existence. After his death in 1792, Reynolds’s body was attended by ten pallbearers, among whom were three dukes, two marquesses, three earls, and a cortège of ninety-one carriages.”--Paul Mellon’s Legacy (2007).

**Frederick Whiley Hilles (1900-1975)** was a longtime professor of English at Yale University and editor of works on Samuel Johnson, James Boswell, and Joshua Reynolds. Hilles collected correspondence and other manuscript writings by James Boswell, Thomas Carlyle, Samuel Johnson, Joshua Reynolds, and members of their families. Most of this material is now at the Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library (Yale University), in the Frederick W. Hilles Manuscript Collection ([http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/beinecke.hilles](http://hdl.handle.net/10079/fa/beinecke.hilles)). Hilles’s Reynolds collection was featured (along with material from other collections) in *An exhibition of books, manuscripts & prints pertaining to Sir Joshua Reynolds, on the two hundred and fiftieth anniversary of his birth* (Beinecke Rare Book & Manuscript Library, 1973). A portion of Hilles’s Reynolds material now forms the present collection at the Yale Center for British Art.

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**Scope and Contents**

The collection comprises correspondence, notebooks, writings, and other manuscript material by or about the artist Joshua Reynolds. Correspondents include Francis Barton Abington, Carl Fredrik Adelcrantz, John Bacon, Joseph Banks, Edmund Burke, Sir William Hamilton, John Hely-Hutchinson, Henry Hope, Hendrik Jansen, Samuel Johnson, William Johnson, Bennet Langton, Elizabeth Montagu, Thomas Percy, William Roscoe, Charles Manners, Duke of Rutland, Richard Brinsley Sheridan, F.G. Waldron, Benjamin West, and Pieter Yver. Several of the notebooks record Reynolds’s travels on the Continent, with notes on paintings seen in France, Germany, and the Low Countries. Among the writings are Reynolds’s thoughts on blindness, fragments of his Discourses, and notes on Pliny and Johnson. Some of the material throughout the collection concerns Reynolds’s tenure as the first president of the Royal Academy.

**Bibliography**


**Arrangement**

The collection is arranged into four series: I. Correspondence; II. Commonplace books, notebooks, and diaries; III. Writings; and IV. Miscellaneous.
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Montagu, Mrs. (Elizabeth), 1718-1800  
Written from Hill Street. Dinner invitation for 7 January 1777.  
Genres / Formats:  
Correspondence  
Names:  
Montagu, Mrs. (Elizabeth), 1718-1800 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence  |
| b. Reynolds 5 | **Letter to the Reverend Thomas Percy**  
1 page; 19 x 16 cm.  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Requesting Thomas Percy’s aid on behalf of a relative of Jane [Mrs. Edmund] Burke. Ingamells no. 60.  
Genres / Formats:  
Correspondence  
Names:  
Burke, Jane Mary Nugent, 1734-1812  
Percy, Thomas, 1729-1811 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence  |
| b. Reynolds 6 | **Letter to John Hely-Hutchinson**  
2 pages; 23 x 19 cm.  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Addressed to the Secretary of State in Ireland. Letter of recommendation for a young painter, William Doughty, a pupil of Reynolds, who wishes to spend a few months in Ireland. Ingamells no. 90.  
Genres / Formats:  
Correspondence  
Names:  
Doughty, William, 1757-1780 or 2  
Hely-Hutchinson, John, 1724-1794 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence  |
| b. Reynolds 7 | **Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
1 page; 8 x 11 cm.  
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784  
Sending him, presumably, his lives of Denham, Butler, and Waller, specially bound to be read by friends.  
Genres / Formats:  
Correspondence  
Names:  
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence |
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**Letter to William Johnson**

4 pages; 23 x 19 cm.

Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

Apologizing to his nephew for his tardiness in writing, and wishing him success in India. Ingamells no. 91.

**Genres / Formats:**
- Correspondence

**Names:**
- Johnson, William, d. 1779 -- Correspondence
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence

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**Letter to Edmund Burke**

4 pages; 23 x 19 cm.

Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

Written from Rotterdam. Includes impression of paintings by Rubens, with description of Rotterdam and surrounding countryside. Ingamells no. 95.

**Geographic Names:**
- Rotterdam (Netherlands) -- Description and travel

**Genres / Formats:**
- Correspondence

**Names:**
- Burke, Edmund, 1729-1797 -- Correspondence
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence
- Rubens, Peter Paul, 1577-1640

1781 August 10

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**Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds at London**

3 pages; 24 x 19 cm.

Yver, P. (Pieter)

Written from Amsterdam. An agent in Amsterdam, Yver, reports to Sir Joshua Reynolds on certain paintings he has purchased for him. Signed Pierre Yver.

**Genres / Formats:**
- Correspondence

**Names:**
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence
- Yver, P. (Pieter) -- Correspondence

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b. Reynolds 11  

**Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
3 pages; 24 x 20 cm.  
Hope, Henry, 1735 or 6-1811  
Written from Amsterdam. Concerning the shipping of pictures purchased for Sir Joshua Reynolds by Pieter Yver.

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Correspondence

**Names:**  
Hope, Henry, 1735 or 6-1811 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence  
Yver, P. (Pieter)

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**Letter to William Johnson**  
2 pages; 23 x 19 cm.  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Written from London. Introducing the young artist, Mr. Meyer, and mentioning the "violent inflammation in his [own] eye." Notes Miss Theophila Palmer's marriage to Robert Gwatkin. Ingamells no. 108.

**Genres / Formats:**  
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**Names:**  
Gwatkin, Theophila Palmer, 1757-1848  
Johnson, William, d. 1779 -- Correspondence  
Meyer, Jeremiah, 1735-1789  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence

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**Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
2 pages; 26 x 21 cm.  
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784  

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Dufresnoy, Charles-Alphonse, 1611-1668  
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784 -- Correspondence  
Mason, William, 1725-1797  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence
b. Reynolds 14  **Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
*3 pages; 24 x 19 cm.*  
Rutland, Charles Manners, Duke of, 1754-1787  
Hoping to promote Joseph Palmer, Sir Joshua Reynolds’ nephew. Congratulating Sir Joshua on his new appointment as principal painter to the King.

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Palmer, Joseph, 1749-1829  
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*1 page; 23 x 19 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
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Roscoe, William, 1753-1831 -- Correspondence  
Tarleton, Lieutenant-General (Banastre), 1754-1833

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*3 pages; 24 x 19 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Written from London. Concerning two paintings by Rubens which Reynolds wishes to buy. Addressed to “Monsieur Cunyngham, at Lille.” Ingamells no. 146. Ingamells identifies the recipient as possibly William Burton Conyngham (1733-1796); previously identified as Edmund Francis Cunningham.

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Rubens, Peter Paul, 1577-1640
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Waldron, F. G. (Francis Godolphin), 1744-1818 -- Correspondence  
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**Letter to the Earl of Upper Ossory**  
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Written from London. Offering to trade Gainsborough’s “Girl with Pigs” for a damaged “Venus and Adonis” copied by Titian. Ingamells no. 153.  
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Gainsborough, Thomas, 1727-1788  
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Titian, circa 1488-1576  
Upper Ossory, John Fitzpatrick, Earl of, 1745-1818 -- Correspondence  
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**Letter to Sir George Beaumont at Tunbridge Wells**  
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Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Written from London. Hastily telling him of paintings to see while in the Low Countries. Ingamells no. 156.  
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Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Written from London. Sending Jansen “all the Discourses since the year 1776.” Expressing his appreciation for Jansen’s translation of his Discourses into French. Ingamells no. 161.  
On same sheet as Reynolds 20b: Jansen’s letter to Reynolds from Paris, October 10, 1786.  
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Jansen, Hendrik, 1741-1812 -- Correspondence  
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| b. Reynolds 20b | **Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
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b. Reynolds 30  **Letter to the Countess of Ossory**  
*2 pages; 24 x 20 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Letter of thanks for the hand-embroidered waistcoat. Ingamells no. 211.

**Genres / Formats:**  
Correspondence  

**Subjects:**  
Clothing and dress  

**Names:**  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence  
Upper Ossory, Anne Fitzpatrick, Countess of, 1737 or 8-1804 -- Correspondence

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b. Reynolds 31  **Letter to Sir Joseph Banks, Bart**  
*1 page; 20 x 17 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Asking him as chairman of the committee to call a meeting concerning the monument to be erected to Dr. Johnson. Ingamells no. 215.

**Genres / Formats:**  
Correspondence  

**Names:**  
Banks, Joseph, 1743-1820 -- Correspondence  
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence

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b. Reynolds 32  **Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
*3 pages; 20 x 17 cm.*  
Adelcrantz, Carl Fredrik, 1716-1796  
Written from Stockholm. Requesting that de Breda, now in London, be permitted to paint for the Swedish Academy a portrait of Sir Joshua Reynolds, “the most celebrated artist of this century.”

**Genres / Formats:**  
Correspondence  

**Names:**  
Adelcrantz, Carl Fredrik, 1716-1796 -- Correspondence  
Breda, C. F. von (Carl Fredrik), 1759-1818  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence
### Series II. Commonplace books, notebooks, and diaries

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<td>A description in Reynolds' hand of his sensations when his sight was impaired. Including two newsprint biographies of the artist and handwritten notation: “Autograph of Sir Joshua Reynolds---of J. Waller Fleet St 1876.” Subjects: Blindness Names: Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792</td>
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<td>late 18th century</td>
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<td>Scraps rescued from trash by Sir Joshua's pupil James Northcote, who later became his biographer. Including several handwritten notations by James Northcote verifying the hand of Sir Joshua Reynolds. With this is cased Manuscript Fragments of Discourses and Lecture.</td>
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<td>Rough draft of a portion of catalogue for Reynolds' exhibition of his collection of Old Masters in the spring of 1791. [Appears to be a draft for a paragraph which was published in the <em>Morning Chronicle</em>, Fri., April 22, 1791.] Names: Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792</td>
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b. Reynolds 45  
**Notes on Pliny**  
*4 pages ; 19 x 15 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Notes on Melmoth’s translation of Pliny’s letters, made in 1750 on the trip to Italy.

Names:  
Melmoth, William, 1710?-1799  
Pliny, the Younger

b. Reynolds 46  
**Notes on Johnson’s Lives of the poets**  
*3 pages ; 33 x 21 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Notes on Johnson’s *Lives of the Poets*, made after Johnson’s death, and used when Reynolds was revising his *Discourses* for the collected edition. Discovered with Boswell Papers in a stable loft at Malahide Castle.

Names:  
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784

b. Reynolds 47  
**Receipt for portraits of the Marquis of Granby**  
*1 page ; 34 x 23 cm.*  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792  
Genres / Formats:  
Receipts (financial records)

Names:  
Granby, John Manners, Marquis of, 1721-1770  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792
b. Reynolds 48  "Epistle to Sir Joshua Reynolds & Co."
3 pages; 33 x 20 cm.
Barnard, Thomas, 1728-1806
A reply in verse to a remark made by Johnson.

Names:
Barnard, Thomas, 1728-1806
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

b. Reynolds 49 Letter to Frances Reynolds
2 pages; 16 x 10 cm.
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784
Offering criticism on the writings of Frances Reynolds (sister of Joshua Reynolds).

Genres / Formats:
Correspondence

Names:
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784 -- Correspondence
Reynolds, Frances, 1729-1807 -- Correspondence

b. Reynolds 50 Letter to Frances Reynolds
1 page; 30 x 23 cm.
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784
Complaining of illness and solitude, and speaking of the comfort of having Frances Reynolds near. Mounted verso: "I have the honour to be/Sir/Your most Obedient and/most humble Servant/Howe."

Genres / Formats:
Correspondence

Names:
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784 -- Correspondence
Reynolds, Frances, 1729-1807 -- Correspondence

b. Reynolds 51 Letter to Frances Reynolds
1 page; 22 x 12 cm.
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784
Dinner invitation.

Genres / Formats:
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Names:
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784 -- Correspondence
Reynolds, Frances, 1729-1807 -- Correspondence
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<td><strong>Letter (initialed “CB”) to Miss Burney, at Queen’s House</strong></td>
<td>1790 December 13</td>
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<td>1792 February 24</td>
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b. Reynolds 57b  **Letter to Edward (sic) Malone Esq. at Queen Anne Street East**  
4 pages ; 26 x 21 cm.  
Reynolds, Frances, 1729-1807  
[1796]  
December 8  
Inviting Edmund Malone to call in order that he might ask further questions concerning the biography of Sir Joshua Reynolds. Cased with Frances Reynolds’ letter to Mrs. Johnson, at Torrington, Devon and Elizabeth Johnson’s letter to Frances Reynolds.

**Genres / Formats:**  
Correspondence  

**Names:**  
Malone, Edmond, 1741-1812 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Frances, 1729-1807 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

b. Reynolds 57c  **Letter to Frances Reynolds**  
1 page ; 26 x 21 cm.  
Johnson, Elizabeth, 1721-1798  
1796 December 4  
Apparently the text or first draft of a response to her sister. Additional script in same hand exists at bottom of sheet and is dated 15 December. Bound with Frances Reynolds’ letter to Mrs. Johnson, at Torrington, Devon.

**Genres / Formats:**  
Correspondence  

**Names:**  
Johnson, Elizabeth, 1721-1798 -- Correspondence  
Malone, Edmond, 1741-1812  
Reynolds, Frances, 1729-1807 -- Correspondence  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

b. Reynolds 58  **Humorous verses**  
1 page ; 24 x 20 cm.  
Garrick, David, 1717-1779  
1775?  
Verses entitled “Merry and Wise” written when Beauclerk forgot an invitation he had extended to Reynolds, Barnard, and Garrick, probably in 1775.

**Names:**  
Barnard, Thomas, 1728-1806  
Beauclerk, Topham, 1739-1780 -- Correspondence  
Garrick, David, 1717-1779  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

b. Reynolds 59  **Manuscript copy of “Lettera scritta da Giuseppe Baretti a Luigi Siries a Firenze”**  
4 pages ; 31 x 19 cm.  
1776 January 26  
Giuseppe Pelli’s copy of Baretti’s printed pamphlet Baretti critical of Siries [see Reynolds 60, below].

**Names:**  
Baretti, Giuseppe Marco Antonio, 1719-1789  
Pelli Bencivenni, Giuseppe, 1729-1808  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792
b. Reynolds 60  "Lettera scritta da Giuseppe Baretti a Luigi Siries a Firenze"  1778

Baretti, Giuseppe Marco Antonio, 1719-1789

In this privately printed pamphlet Baretti criticizes Siries for editing and publishing Baretti’s translation of the first seven of Sir Joshua Reynolds’ Discourses (Delle arti del disegno. Firenze, 1778) without mentioning Baretti’s name in the publication, and for altering the text. Distributed gratis throughout Italy, particularly in Tuscany (cf. Hilles, p. 54). Discussion of this pamphlet and an English translation appear in Hilles, F.W. Literary career of Sir Joshua Reynolds (1936 ed.), p. 51-59. This copy is addressed in manuscript (and was evidently mailed to) Giuseppe Pelli, director of the Royal Art Gallery in Florence.

Genres / Formats:
- Correspondence

Names:
- Baretti, Giuseppe Marco Antonio, 1719-1789
- Pelli Bencivenni, Giuseppe, 1729-1808
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792
- Siries, Luigi, 1743-1811

b. Reynolds 61  Johnson and Garrick: (Not Published). London, Printed by Nichols, Son, and Bentley...1816  1816

Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

“The following jeu d’esprit was written by Sir Joshua Reynolds to illustrate a remark which he made, ‘That Dr. Johnson considered Garrick as his property, and would suffer anyone to praise or abuse him but himself.’ In the first of these supposed dialogues, Sir Joshua himself, by high encomiums upon Garrick, is represented as drawing down upon him Johnson’s censure; in the second, Mr. Gibbon, by taking the opposite side, calls forth his praise.”--Title page verso.

Names:
- Garrick, David, 1717-1779
- Johnson, Samuel, 1649-1703
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

b. Reynolds 62  Letter to G. Agar Ellis  1816? April 8

Jekyll, Joseph, 1754-1837

Concerning the unpublished “Johnson and Garrick” written by Sir Joshua Reynolds. Cased with “Johnson and Garrick.”

Genres / Formats:
- Correspondence

Names:
- Ellis, G. Agar -- Correspondence
- Jekyll, Joseph, 1754-1837 -- Correspondence
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792
### b. Reynolds 63

**Invitation to Sir Joshua Reynolds’ funeral at the Royal Academy**

1 page; 11 x 15 cm.

**Genres / Formats:**
- Invitations

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**Names:**
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

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### b. Reynolds 64

**Letter to Edmund Burke, Edmund Malone, and Philip Metcalfe**

4 pages; 23 x 19 cm.

Macartney, George Macartney, Earl, 1737-1806

Written from Curzon Street. Declining the invitation to Sir Joshua Reynolds’ funeral.

**Genres / Formats:**
- Correspondence

**Names:**
- Burke, Edmund, 1729-1797 -- Correspondence
- Macartney, George Macartney, Earl, 1737-1806 -- Correspondence
- Malone, Edmond, 1741-1812 -- Correspondence
- Metcalfe, Philip, 1733-1818 -- Correspondence
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

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### b. Reynolds 65

**Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds, at Leicester Square**

2 pages; 24 x 19 cm.

Chambers, William, Sir, 1723-1796

Written from Wharton Place. Concerning Sir William Chalmers.

**Genres / Formats:**
- Correspondence

**Names:**
- Chalmers, William, fl. 1798
- Chambers, William, Sir, 1723-1796 -- Correspondence
- Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence

- 1790 October 18
b. Reynolds 66  **Letter to Sir Joshua Reynolds**  
1 page ; 24 x 19 cm.  
Chambers, William, Sir, 1723-1796  
Complaining about expensive presents offered by Sir William Hamilton to the Royal Academy.

Genres / Formats:  
Correspondence

Names:  
Chambers, William, Sir, 1723-1796 -- Correspondence  
Hamilton, William, 1751-1801  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Correspondence

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b. Reynolds 67  **Collection of autograph drafts concerning his own collection of pictures**  
7 sheets ; 37 x 22 cm, and smaller.  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

Names:  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792

b. Reynolds 68  **Notes on the life of Sir Joshua Reynolds, containing an excerpt from a narrative by Anthony Pascin**  
Creator unidentified.

Names:  
Pascin, Anthony  
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792
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Notebooks

Names
Abington, Mrs. (Frances Barton), 1737-1815 -- Correspondence
Adelcrantz, Carl Fredrik, 1716-1796 -- Correspondence
Bacon, John, 1740-1799 -- Correspondence
Banks, Joseph, 1743-1820 -- Correspondence
Beaumont, George Howland, Sir, 1753-1827
Breda, C. F. von (Carl Fredrik), 1759-1818
Burke, Edmund, 1729-1797 -- Correspondence
Burke, Jane Mary Nugent, 1734-1812
Catherine, Empress of Russia, II, 1729-1796 -- Art collections
Doughty, William, 1757-1780 or 1782
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Gainsborough, Thomas, 1727-1788
Gwatkin, Theophila Palmer, 1757-1848
Hamilton, William, 1751-1801 -- Correspondence
Haughton, Moses, 1773-1849
Hely-Hutchinson, John, 1724-1794 -- Correspondence
Hope, Henry, 1735 or 1736-1811 -- Correspondence
Hudson, Thomas, 1701-1779
Jansen, Hendrik, 1741-1812 -- Correspondence
Johnson, Samuel, 1709-1784. ( Correspondence)
Johnson, William, d. 1779 -- Correspondence
Langton, Bennet, 1737-1801 -- Correspondence
Mason, William, 1725-1797
Meyer, Henry Hoppner, 1783-1847
Meyer, Jeremiah, 1735-1789
Milton, John, 1608-1674
Montagu, Mrs. (Elizabeth), 1718-1800 -- Correspondence
Palmer, Joseph, 1749-1829
Percy, Thomas, 1729-1811. ( Correspondence)
Pope, Alexander, 1688-1744
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Diaries
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792 -- Notebooks, sketchbooks, etc.
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792. ( Correspondence)
Reynolds, Joshua, Sir, 1723-1792. ( Discourses)
Roscoe, William, 1753-1831 -- Correspondence
Rubens, Peter Paul, 1577-1640
Rutland, Charles Manners, Duke of, 1754-1787 -- Correspondence
Shakespeare, William, 1564-1616
Sheridan, Elizabeth Ann, 1754-1792
Sheridan, Richard Brinsley, 1751-1816 -- Correspondence
Tarleton, Lieutenant-General (Banastre), 1754-1833
Titian, approximately 1488-1576
Upper Ossory, Anne Fitzpatrick, Countess of, 1737 or 8-1804 -- Correspondence
Upper Ossory, John Fitzpatrick, Earl of, 1745-1818
Waldron, F. G. (Francis Godolphin), 1744-1818 -- Correspondence
West, Benjamin, 1738-1820 -- Correspondence
Yver, P. (Pieter) -- Correspondence

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