Ruth Ingvarsson (1897-1969)

Papers, c1930s
1.3 linear ft.

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History

Rut “Ruth” Elisabeth Ingvarsson was born October 1, 1897 in Glemminge, Sweden. As a child, she learned weaving from her mother. She graduated from Glemminge Folk Skola in 1918, and then studied and worked with Marta Maas Fjaetterstrom from 1922-1928 at her weaving studio. She came to Cranbrook in 1929 to work for Studio Loja Saarinen. In 1932, she returned to Stockholm to attend a course for weaving instructors at Handarbetets Vänner (The Association of the Friends of Handicraft). She returned to Cranbrook in 1934, and was the weaving instructor for Kingswood School during the summers of 1946, 1948, and 1951. She was a weaving instructor in a private studio in Highland Park (1935-1937), and Detroit (1937-1951), and also at the Detroit Society of Arts and Crafts (1949-1951). From 1951-1969, Ruth was a part-time instructor at Wayne State University. Ruth died on September 15, 1969 in Michigan.

Scope and Content of Collection

The bulk of the collection consists of Ingvarsson’s scrapbooks, which includes textile samples and patterns. Other materials highlight her weaving technique and process.
Box Number--Description

Box 1

1. Scrapbook
2. Scrapbook

Box 2

1. Notebook
2. Notes on Materials
3. Photographs
4. Signature Sheet
5. Textile Sketches
6. Sketchbook (copy)
7. Sketchbook (copy)
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