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TITLE: “Sacred Space, Sacred Time” Exhibition Materials

COLLECTION NUMBER: B2013.037

OVERVIEW OF THE COLLECTION

Dates: 2009-2010

Extent: 0.08 linear feet

Language and Scripts: The collection is in English.

Name of creator(s): Dorothy Gray, Barbara Sweetland Smith

Administrative/Biographical History:
Barbara Sweetland Smith (1936-2013) specialized in the history of Russian America and the Russian Orthodox Church in Alaska, and was the author of numerous books and articles. She served as curator or co-curator for three major exhibitions at the Anchorage Museum, “Russian America: the forgotten frontier” (1989); “Heaven on earth: Orthodox treasures of Siberia and North America” (1994); and “Science under sail: Russia’s great voyages to America, 1728-1867” (2000).

Dorothy Gray is a writer, professor of English at Kenai Peninsula College, and board member of ROSSIA, Inc. (Russian Orthodox Sacred Sites in Alaska). She is a member of the Russian Orthodox Church and serves as the secretary of the Kenai Parish Council. She helped initiate and direct the 1998 restoration of the Russian Orthodox rectory in Kenai and the 2008 Save America’s Treasure Grant to preserve the Kenai church.

Scope and Content Description:
The collection consists of one DVD, 78 35mm slides, correspondence, icon lists, and other ephemera pertaining to the development and presentation of the exhibition “Sacred Space, Sacred Time,” which highlighted the icons of the Holy Assumption of the Virgin Mary Russian Orthodox Church in Kenai, Alaska.
CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS AND USE

Restrictions on Access: The collection is open for research use.

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Technical Access: No special equipment is needed to access the materials.

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ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

Acquisition and Appraisal Information
Donated by Mina Jacobs in March 2013. She received the collection from Barbara Sweetland Smith.

Processing Note
One DVD containing three text documents was discarded after the documents were printed.

RELATED MATERIALS
Heaven on earth: Orthodox treasures of Siberia and North America

SUBJECTS
Smith, Barbara Sweetland
Gray, Dorothy, 1936-
Holy Assumption Orthodox Church (Kenai, Alaska)
Icons, Russian--United States—Exhibitions
Christian art and symbolism--United States--Modern period, 1500---Exhibitions
Church decoration and ornament--Exhibitions

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