

G. Holmes Perkins, 1904-2004

A Finding Aid for
Robert Adam Collection, 1766-1774
in
The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania

Archival Description

Descriptive Summary

- Title: Robert Adam Collection, 1766-1774.
- Coll. ID: 020.
- Origin: G. Holmes Perkins, collector, 1904-2004.
- Extent: Architectural drawings: 20 drawings (original)
Additional materials: 2 leases.
- Repository: The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania
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Philadelphia, Pennsylvania 19104-6311
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- Abstract: This collection comprises architectural drawings by Robert Adam (1728-1792)
for two unbuilt projects, Court House and Gaol, Appleby, 1766, and an unidentified
five-storey house. The collection also contains leases, signed by four Adam
brothers,
for a house in the Royal Terras, London, in the Adam family development, Adelphi.
- Cataloging: Collection-level records for materials in the Architectural Archives may be found in
WorldCat, an international union catalogue of library and archival holdings. The
record number for this collection is 231626009.

Biographical/Historical Sketch

G. Holmes Perkins was Dean of the Graduate School of Fine Arts, University of Pennsylvania, 1953-1970, and founder and first director of the Architectural Archives of the University of Pennsylvania.

Scope and Content Note

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Access Points for Indexing (Controlled Vocabulary)

Adam, Robert 1728-1792.
Architectural design --History --18th century --Sources.
Architectural drawing --England.
Adelphi (London, England).

Administrative Information

Restrictions on access: This collection is available for research by appointment only.

Preferred collection citation: Robert Adam Collection, The Architectural Archives, University of Pennsylvania.

Acquisition: Gift of G. Holmes Perkins.

Processing: The collection was processed and the finding aid prepared by Nancy Thorne, with the assistance of Rebecca Kantor and Melissa Steeley.

Container list

Call#	Descriptive Title
020.1	Court House and Gaol, Appleby, 1766, 19 architectural drawings (original)
020.1	Design of Front Elevation for Five-Story House, 1 architectural drawing (original)
020.2	Two large leases on vellum, signed by the Adam brothers.