

# **Archive Sources for Researching People**

This resource provides a starting point if you are interested in researching a particular person who you believe is associated with the Glasgow School of Art such as a student, staff member or related artist. You can search our holdings by typing the person's name into our online catalogue search bar:

### http://www.gsaarchives.net/archon/

You can also find out if that person is listed under the subject heading 'Names'.

## http://www.gsaarchives.net/archon/?p=creators/creators

There are two sub-headings under 'Names', these are 'People' and 'Creators'. 'People' are individuals who have been mentioned, or who feature in records held within the GSA archives and collections. 'Creators' are individuals who have made records or objects.

In the GSA archives and collections we also hold student records from 1881-1987. These along with school prospectuses 1893-2010, which include lists of students and staff, can provide further information on people who have come to the school. To search these sources please send your enquiry to archives@gsa.ac.uk.

#### Sources of genealogical information:

If you are looking for general information about a person, there are a number of sources that provide genealogical information.

**Scotlands People,** one of the largest sources of information for Scottish family history research this organisation holds Scottish census records, wills, parish registers of baptisms, birth and death certificates.

http://www.scotlandspeople.gov.uk/

National Records of Scotland <a href="http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/research/family-history">http://www.nrscotland.gov.uk/research/family-history</a>

**Glasgow Mitchell Library Archives,** if the individual you are looking for comes from Glasgow <a href="http://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/libraries/the-mitchell-library/archives/pages/home.aspx">http://www.glasgowlife.org.uk/libraries/the-mitchell-library/archives/pages/home.aspx</a>

**National Archives,** provides a list of research guides that can help to uncover a persons' history <a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/records/looking-for-person%5Cdefault.htm">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/records/looking-for-person%5Cdefault.htm</a>

Scotia's Archival Agony Aunt (p17 of The Newsletter of The Scottish Records Association), provides an overview of resources that can be used to research artists

http://www.scottishrecordsassociation.org/images/Retour PDF/retour20.pdf

## Search for archives relating to people or organisations:

**Dictionary of Scottish Architects** <a href="http://www.scottisharchitects.org.uk/">http://www.scottisharchitects.org.uk/</a>
Useful for looking up architects, companies and buildings based in Scotland.

National Register of Archives <a href="http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/nra/">http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/nra/</a> Information on archives held by public archive offices in the UK – you can search for a particular organisation or person.

### Artists' Paper Register <a href="http://www.apr.ac.uk/">http://www.apr.ac.uk/</a>

A detailed guide to the papers of artists and designers and the repositories they are held in within the United Kingdom.

#### Search other art related archives and institutions:

There are four main art colleges in Scotland:

Gray's School of Art, Aberdeen <a href="http://graysartschoolaberdeen.com/">http://graysartschoolaberdeen.com/</a>

Duncan of Jordanstone College of Art and Design, Dundee <a href="http://www.dundee.ac.uk/archives/">http://www.dundee.ac.uk/archives/</a>

Edinburgh College of Art <a href="http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/information-services/library-museum-gallery/crc/collections/special-collections">http://www.ed.ac.uk/schools-departments/information-services/library-museum-gallery/crc/collections/special-collections</a>

The archives of these institutions are likely to include student records, prospectuses, annual reports and photographs.