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# **Edward W. Holland papers**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Arkansas State Archives
<b>Title</b>	Edward W. Holland papers
<b>Date [inclusive]</b>	1946-1993
<b>Extent</b>	1.8 Cubic feet Box 4
<b>General Physical Description:</b>	Materials appear to be in good condition as of December 2017.
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Language of Materials:</b>	Materials entirely in English.

**Preferred Citation:**

Holland, Edward W. papers, Arkansas State Archives, Little Rock, Arkansas.

## **Biographical Note:**

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Edward William Holland was born in Warren, Arkansas, on January 13, 1920, to Willie and Nora Holland, the second of three children. As a young adult, Edward W. Holland worked as a theater sign artist and assistant manager at a movie theater in Camden, Arkansas. Holland also painted large signs around Monticello and Pine Bluff. After the attack upon Pearl Harbor in December of 1941, Holland enlisted in the United States Army Air Corps during World War II. During this military service, Holland flew as a radio operator and gunner for thirty-seven combat missions in the South Pacific, earning four air medals, two battle stars, and a presidential citation for his service. In 1942, Edward Holland married Madeline Oliver in 1942 in Palm Beach, Florida. The couple had their only child, Sheila, in 1947 in Morrilton, Arkansas, the family's residence and where Holland managed a movie theater. Holland was drawn to aviation and after his service during the war, Holland continued to fly as a corporate pilot, a part-time charter pilot, and as a personal pilot for Winthrop Rockefeller prior to his being elected governor of Arkansas. In 1969, Holland became the Director of the Arkansas Department of Aeronautics and served as director under six governors: Rockefeller, Pryor, Bumpers, White and Clinton. He served until 1984, when he resigned due to medical issues. During his tenure with the Arkansas Department of Aeronautics, Holland advocated for building up Arkansas's aviation industry and oversaw the establishment of ten new airports in the state. Holland was a co-founder of the Arkansas Aviation Historical Society and was inducted into its hall of fame in 1984. Holland also held memberships in the Airplane Owners and Pilots Association, the National Association of State Aviation Officials, and the Quiet Birdmen. Holland was a noteworthy watercolor painter with many of his aviation paintings on permanent display at the Little Rock Air Force Base. Edward W. Holland died on March 31, 1993. His wife Madeline died in 1999. Both are buried in Naples Memorial Gardens Cemetery in Naples, Florida.

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## **Scope and Contents:**

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This collection is comprised of photographs, papers, personal correspondence, paintings by Edward W. Holland, photographic prints of Holland's paintings, personal mementos of Arkansas governors Rockefeller, Pryor, Bumpers, Clinton, and White, and a scrapbook. All materials are related to the life and career of Edward W. Holland, artist and former head of the Arkansas Department of Aeronautics.

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## **Administrative Information**

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## **Publication Information**

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## **Conditions Governing Access:**

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## **Immediate Source of Acquisition:**

Sheila Holland Cotton, Little Rock, Arkansas, 2017.

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## **Related Materials**

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### **Separated Materials**

Six works of art separated from this collection and transferred to the ASA Three-Dimensional Object Collection on 10/26/2017: A2017.0072.1 - One watercolor painting of 2 WWI planes flying in clouds, titled "Curtiss JN-4 Jennies. Ebert's Field, Lonoke, Ark.1918" by Edward "Eddie" Holland. A2017.0072.2 - One painting of WWI plane flying above crops, titled "Jenny, Eberts Field, 1918" by Edward "Eddie" Holland. A2017.0072.3 - One watercolor painting of Louise Thaden and her plane in 1936 by Edward "Eddie" Holland. A2017.0072.4 - One watercolor painting of "the Lone B-17,"Typhoon McGoon" in World War II by Edward "Eddie" Holland. A2017.0072.5 - One painting of "Will Rogers on Stage Railto Theatre, 1930" by Edward "Eddie" Holland. A2017.0072.6 - One pencil drawing of Edward Holland in front of Malco Theatre by Sheila Holland Cotton.

## Collection Inventory

Papers		
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Telegram: Chief Floyd H. Johnson to Eddie Holland 1966 November 9	1	1
		<b>Folder</b>
Governor Winthrop Rockefeller correspondence regarding Senate Bill 391 1967		2
Governor Winthrop Rockefeller Inauguration Day memento correspondence 1967		3
Governor Winthrop Rockefeller holiday greeting cards 1967 and undated		4
Invitation to Governor's Mansion from Governor and Mrs. Bill Clinton 1985		5
Presidential Inaugural Ball invitation and tickets order form for President Bill Clinton December 1992		6
52nd Presidential Inaugural Committee Commemorative Invitation for President William Jefferson Clinton and Vice President Albert Gore, Jr. December 1992		7
Democratic National Committee season's greetings card signed by Ron Brown circa 1992		8
Personal note of condolence from President Bill Clinton 1993 April 8		9

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Congressional Medal of Honor Dinner image with Eddie Holland 1966 October 14	11
Edward W. Holland "Americans for Change" Presidential Task Force certificate 1993 January 4	12
Newspaper articles regarding SCAT Airlines April 1946	13
Newspaper article, "A Handy Craftsman Decorated His Own Contemporary House" Arkansas Gazette 1954 May 2	14
Newspaper article, "WR Victory Is Year's Top Story" Arkansas Democrat 1966 December 26	15
Magazine "Professional Pilot" cover with Gov. Winthrop Rockefeller, [photocopy] August 1968	16
Eddie Holland life and career profile, Cabot Star-Herald 1982 September 17	17
Newspaper articles on Edward W. Holland resigning as Director of the Arkansas Aeronautics Commission 1984 November 16	18
Edward W. Holland obituary, Arkansas Democrat-Gazette 1993 April 6	19
"A Bit of History of the Arkansas Aeronautics Commission," by Eddie Holland 1984 September 10	20



Sketches and political cartoon by Eddie Holland 1975 and undated	21
Newspaper print of "The Command-Aire" painting by Edward Holland 1975	22
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Personal business cards and government visitor's passes	24
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Photographs of Edward W. Holland's paintings. Color photographs, 3 ¾" x 3", 4" x 3", 4 ½" x 3 ½", 5" x 3 1/2", 5 ½" x 3 ½", 7" x 3 ½". 1967 – 1980, undated	2
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PH.EdwardHolland.01 – PH.EdwardHolland.05: 1967 – 1974	
PH.EdwardHolland.06 – PH.EdwardHolland.25: 1975	
PH.EdwardHolland.26 – PH.EdwardHolland.30: 1976 – 1978	

PH.EdwardHolland.31 – PH.EdwardHolland.37: 1979 – 1980

PH.EdwardHolland.38 – PH.EdwardHolland.53: Undated

**Folder**

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PH.EdwardHolland.54 – PH.EdwardHolland.64: Little Rock scenes taken by Eddie Holland, color photographs and one black and white photograph, 4" x 2 ¾", 4 ½" x 3", 5" x 3 ½". Circa 1960s

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Holland Family photographs 1950s

PH.EdwardHolland.65 – PH.EdwardHolland.68: Edward Holland with "King Kong" outside of movie theater. Black and white photographic greeting card. 4 ¼" x 5 ½".; Sheila Holland posed outside of movie theater. Black and white photograph, 4" x 6". Circa 1950s

PH.EdwardHolland.69 – PH.EdwardHolland.82: Images depicting interior of Holland family home, Eddie and Madeline Holland pictured. Black and white photographs, 10" x 8". Circa 1950s

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Edward Holland aviation career related photographs circa 1940s and circa 1980s, undated

PH.EdwardHolland.83: World War I military service image of Edward Holland and unidentified man. Newspaper article on Holland photocopied on image. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8". circa 1940s

PH.EdwardHolland.84: Arkansas Air National Guard on their 50th anniversary. Edward Holland with unidentified pilot posed with Holland's displayed paintings. Black and white photograph, 8" x 10". circa 1980s

PH.EdwardHolland.85: Edward Holland seated on dock drawing with unidentified child. Notation: The Artist at work, Bimini. Color photograph, 3" x 4 ¼". undated

Governor Winthrop Rockefeller photographs circa 1960s

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PH.EdwardHolland.86: Signed portrait of Governor Winthrop Rockefeller. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

**General Note:**

Photograph was originally with Governor Winthrop Rockefeller holiday greeting cards, 1967 and undated located in Box 1, File 4

PH.EdwardHolland.87: Portrait of Governor Winthrop Rockefeller. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

PH.EdwardHolland.88: Governor Winthrop Rockefeller awarded aviation award. Edward Holland visible. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

PH.EdwardHolland.89: Governor Winthrop Rockefeller shaking hands with Edward Holland. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

PH.EdwardHolland.90: Governor Winthrop Rockefeller and Edward Holland near private plane. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

Governor Dale Bumpers photographs circa 1970s

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PH.EdwardHolland.91: Signed portrait of Governor Dale Bumpers near private plane. Color photograph, 8" x 10".

PH.EdwardHolland.92: Signed group portrait of Governor Dale Bumpers, Edward Holland, and unidentified men near private plane. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

Governor David Pryor photograph circa 1970s

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PH.EdwardHolland.93: Signed portrait of Governor David Pryor. Black and white photograph, 10" x 8".

Senator J. William Fulbright photograph circa 1960s – 1970s

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PH.EdwardHolland.94: Signed portrait of Senator J. William Fulbright. Black and white photograph, 8" x 10".

Governor Bill Clinton photographs circa 1980s – 1992

PH.EdwardHolland.95: Signed photograph of Governor Bill Clinton near private plane. Color photograph on cardstock, 8" x 10". 1980 March 26

PH.EdwardHolland.96: Governor Bill Clinton awarded aviation award. Edward Holland visible. Black and white photograph, 7" x 5".

PH.EdwardHolland.97: Bill Clinton and Al Gore during president campaign at Madison Square Garden. Black and white photograph, 7" x 5". 1992 July 16

**General Note:**

Photograph was original with Presidential Inaugural Ball invitation and tickets order form for President Bill Clinton, December 1992 located in Box 1, File 6

Books

**Box**

Flight in Arkansas [2 copies] June 1969

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Arkansas Aviation Hall of Fame 1984

Scrapbook

**Box**

Malco Theatres, Inc. Spring Festival Celebration for 1951 as celebrated by Eddie Holland, Hope, Ark.

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