

DeKalb History Center

Mathura MAK Collection

Scope and content: The material was donated by Miriam Mathura, a long-time resident and author of a history of the MAK (McDonough, Adams, and Kings Highway) Neighborhood in Decatur. Materials include information on architect Leila Ross Wilburn, houses she designed, and the neighborhood association.

Provenance: Gift of Miriam Mathura, 5-1-2017 (Accession number 2017.03)

Access: Single photocopies may be made for research purposes. Permission to publish materials from this collection must be requested from the archivist, DeKalb History Center. Citation should be as follows: Description of specific item; MAK (McDonough, Adams, Kings Highway) Neighborhood Papers, DeKalb History Center Archives.

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Size: 3 document boxes, 2 artifact boxes

Description: The MAK (McDonough-Adams-Kings Highway) Neighborhood Papers include information about the neighborhood association (history, centennial celebration, promotional items, newsletters, and by-laws) and about architect Leila Ross Wilburn. The collection includes copies of some of her house plan books, copies of articles about her, as well as other biographical information. Applications for a City of Decatur Local Historic District and a National Register of Historic Places designation are part of the collection. Also included are 15 foam core boards depicting Leila Ross Wilburn homes in the MAK neighborhood.

Folder List

Box	Folder	Contents	Date(s)
1	1	Articles about the MAK Neighborhood	
	2	Application Materials for Historic Districts	1997-1999
	3	Copies of the History of the MAK Neighborhood by Miriam Mathura	1986
	4	History of 13 Individual Homes by Pam Kugel	2007
	5	MAK Communications	

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2	1	2 CD's about Leila Ross Wilburn Homes	
	2	Articles about Leila Ross Wilburn	
	3	Biographical Material about MAK Developers Mayson and Weekes	
	4	Historic Note Cards	
3		Notebook of Materials for the MAK Centennial with list of Leila Ross Wilburn Designed Homes and Photographs	
		Notebook of plans for Leila Ross Wilburn Designed Homes in the MAK Neighborhoods	
4-5		Other Items in the Collection: Laminated AJC article about MAK Neighborhood and architect Leila Ross Wilburn	11-29-2007
		MAK Centennial promotional items	
		MAK historic district tee shirt	
		MAK Neighborhood Association By-Laws, Correspondence, directories, and newsletters (not all years included)	1984-2007
		Photocopy of "Southern Homes and Bungalows" by Leila Ross Wilburn	c. 1914
		15 foam core boards (text panels) of Leila Ross Wilburn designed houses in the MAK Neighborhood	