SINGER, SOL, COLLECTOR.
Sol Singer collection of Philatelic Judaica, 1902-2008

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Singer, Sol, collector.
Title: Sol Singer collection of Philatelic Judaica, 1902-2008
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 909
Extent: 60.5 linear feet (131 boxes) ; 1 oversized papers box (OP)
Abstract: Collection of stamps that were collected by Atlanta businessman Sol Singer including those issued by the state of Israel as well as stamps featuring Jewish themes issued all over the world.
Language: Materials are in multiple languages, primarily Hebrew.

Administrative Information

Restrictions on Access
Unrestricted access.

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Source
Gift, 2002, with subsequent additions

Citation
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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Atlanta businessman Sol Singer (1918-2003) collected philatelic Judaica over the course of more than forty years. He died in Fulton County, Georgia in 2003.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of the stamps that were collected by Sol Singer including those issued by the state of Israel as well as stamps featuring Jewish themes issued all over the world from 1948-2008. Series 1 is a complete set of stamps of the State of Israel from the period just before independence up to 2002. The uniqueness of this collection is due not only to its completeness, but also to the fact that it contains corners, first day covers, and even sheets for each of the stamps issued. The early sets are very rare and valuable.

Series 2 contains stamps of Jewish content issued by countries around the world. No one knows how many such stamps exist, but the Singer collection contains several volumes of stamps on such subjects as famous Jews, Jewish holidays, topics from scripture, and the Holocaust.

Series 3 is a nearly complete set of stamps created by the Jewish National Fund to help raise money to purchase land in Palestine and to develop the land once the State of Israel had been established. These stamps date from circa 1902-1991.

Series 4 contains stamps that were part of the original Singer collection, but that he never incorporated them into his organized collection. Series 5 consists of materials that were purchased by Emory University's Institute for Jewish Studies and added to the Sol Singer collection of Philatelic Judaica after Mr. Singer's death in 2003. They include State of Israel stamps from 1991-2008 and some Judaica stamps.

Arrangement Note
Organized into four series: (1) Stamps from the State of Israel, (2) Judaica stamps, (3) Jewish National Fund stamps, (4) Unorganized by Singer, and (5) Additions.
Description of Series

Series 1: Stamps from the State of Israel, 1948-1996
Series 2: Judaica stamps
Series 4: Unorganized by Singer
Series 5: Additions, 1991-2008
Series 1  
Stamps from the State of Israel, 1948-1996  
Boxes 1-87  

Scope and Content Note  
Series 1 is a complete set of stamps of the State of Israel from the period just before independence up to 2002. The uniqueness of this collection is due not only to its completeness, but also to the fact that it contains corners, first day covers, and even sheets for each of the stamps issued. The early sets are very rare and valuable. See Series 5 for additions after Mr. Singer's death.

Arrangement Note  
Arranged by type of material.

Israel Mint Sheets  

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Israel First Day Covers  

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Israel Post Office Openings  

Is a question mark (?) is used when an item does not explicitly state that is a First day/Opening, these volumes deal with cancellation marks. As a result, we recorded the information on the cancellation mark, not the stamp.  

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20 1955-1957 (two from 1958)
21 2/1958-1960 (two from 1961)
22 1961-1968 (one from 1956)*
23 1971-6/1975
24 7/1976-1980 (one from 1975)

Israel Cancellations and Slogans
25 1950-1953 (one from 1954)
26 1954-1956
27 1957-2/1959
28 1959-1961
29 1962-1966
30 1970-12/1971 (one from 1971, several from 1976)
31 12/1971-5/1973*
32 5/1973-1975
33 1976-7/1978 (several from 1954-1955)*
34 7/1978-1980

Stamp exhibits [Collections of items and stamps from various exhibitions of Philatelic Judaica]
35 Dates vary - misc. content*
36 1975-1985 (some from 1958, 1968, 1969) - misc. content*
37 1986-1990 (one from 1993) - misc. content

Israel Maximum Cards [All of these stamps have matching cards]
38 1954-1960 [one from 1961] - First day covers
39 1961-1965 - First day covers
40 1966-1967* (one from 1965)
41 1968-1970
42 1971 (few from 1972, 1973)*
43 1972 (two from 1973)*
44 1973-1974
45 1975-1976 [two from 1974], two cancellation marks, one souvenir sheet*
46 1977-1978, two souvenir sheets
47 1979-1981 [one from 1978], three souvenir sheets
48 1982-1983 [one from 1984], seven souvenir sheets
49 1984-1986, five souvenir sheets
50 1987-1990 [one from 1986], thirteen souvenir sheets

Israel First Day Covers
51 1948-1952, five maximum cards, one souvenir sheet*
52  1953-1954*
53  1955-1/1958 [one from 1958], one maximum card*
54  1958-12/1962, two souvenir sheets
55  12/1962-1966, one souvenir sheet
56  1966-11/1969, one souvenir sheet
57  11/1969-10/1971 [ones from 1972 and 1973], three maximum cards, two souvenir sheets*
58  1971-1972, one original metal die cut*
59  1-5/1973, one souvenir sheet
60  8/1973-6/1975 [one from 1976], one souvenir sheet*
61  8/1975-12/1976, two souvenir sheets
62  12/1976-2/1978, one souvenir sheet, one maximum card
63  4/1978-1980, two souvenir sheets*
64  1980-8/1982, three souvenir sheets
65  8/1982-1984 [one from 1985], five souvenir sheets*
66  1985-2/1987, five souvenir sheets
67  2/1987-1988, six souvenir sheets
68  1989-1990, four souvenir sheets
69  1990-1992, two souvenir sheets, two booklets*
70  1992-1993
71  1993-1994 [one from 1992]*
72  1994-1996

Israel Stamps with Tabs [Note: Volumes 77, 79 and 80 are duplicate albums on special Israel Postal Issue stationery by White Ace Historical Albums. They are available upon request, but because they are duplicates, their information has been removed from the database.]
73  Book 1: 1948-1966 [1 of 2]*
74  Book 1: 1966-1972 [2 of 2], three souvenir sheets
75  Book 2: 1973-1981 [1 of 2], nine souvenir sheets
76  Book 2: 1982-1985 [2 of 2], eleven souvenir sheets
77  Book IS2A: 1970-1980, eleven souvenir sheets [all duplicates]*
78  Book IS3A: 1986-1995, twenty souvenir sheets*
79  Book IS3: 1981-1990, twenty-five souvenir sheets [all duplicates]*
80  Book IS4A: 1991-1995, eight souvenir sheets [all duplicates]

81  Volume 1
82  Volume 2
83  Volume 3: 1983-1995 [also includes Stamp Exhibits, as well as material from 1920, 1948, 1950, 1953, 1960]*
**Israel Single Stamps** [This album is on special Israel Postal Issue stationery by White Ace Historical Albums.]

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**Israel Postal Stationary**

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Series 2
Judaica stamps
Boxes 88-107

Scope and Content Note
Series 2 contains stamps of Jewish content issued by countries around the world. No one knows how many such stamps exist, but the Singer collection contains several volumes of stamps on such subjects as famous Jews, Jewish holidays, topics from scripture, and the Holocaust. See Series 5 for additions after Mr. Singer's death.

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Series 3
Jewish National Fund stamps, circa 1902-1991
Boxes 108-114

Scope and Content Note
Series 3 is a nearly complete set of stamps created by the Jewish National Fund to help raise money to purchase land in Palestine and to develop the land once the State of Israel had been established. These stamps date from circa 1902-1991.

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Series 4
Unorganized by Singer
Boxes 115-126; OP1

Scope and Content Note
The series contains stamps that were part of the original Singer collection, but that he never incorporated them into his organized collection.

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Series 5
Additions, 1991-2008
Boxes 127-131

Scope and Content Note
The series consists of materials that were purchased by Emory University's Institute for Jewish Studies and added to the Sol Singer collection of Philatelic Judaica after Mr. Singer's death in 2003. They include State of Israel stamps from 1991-2008 and some Judaica stamps.

Arrangement Note
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