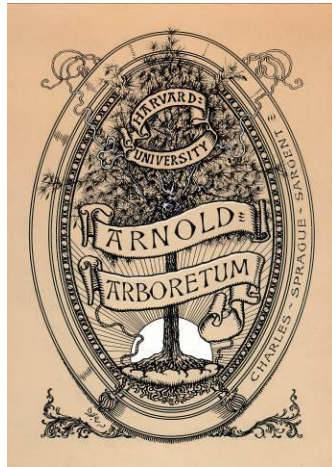


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Herbarium Mounting Records, 1964- : Guide



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Descriptive Summary

Repository: Archives of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University, Jamaica Plain, MA

Call No.: II B HMR

Location: Archives

Title: Herbarium Mounting Records, 1964-

Date(s): 1964 -

Creator: Ida Hay, Susan Hardy Brown, Herbarium volunteers.

Quantity: 5 linear inches. 1 box.

Language of material: English

Abstract: Mounting Records consist of notebooks kept by Herbarium staff. These notebooks document plant specimens received and processed for deposit into either Arnold Arboretum Herbarium or Gray Herbarium located at Harvard University Herbaria. Details include total number of specimens mounted on a particular date, their origin, and destination repository. This particular method of record keeping began in 1964 and continues to the present day.

Note: Access to Finding Aid record in [HOLLIS](#).

Preferred Citation: Herbarium Mounting Records. Archives of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University.

Additional Material: For additional herbarium records see the papers of [Ida Hay Archives II B IH](#)

Processing Information

March 2012, Sheila Connor, Larissa Glasser. January 2023, Larissa Glasser.

Acquisition Information

Provenance: Staff Mounting Records from 1964 to 1985 and Volunteer Mounting Records from 1984 to 1995 were transferred from Ida Hay papers in 2012. Staff Mounting Records from 1986 to 2011 and Volunteer Mounting Records from 1995 to 2008 were deposited as completed into the Archives by Susan Hardy Brown, Curation Staff Member. Deposits continue on an ongoing basis.

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Historical Note:

The [Herbarium of the Arnold Arboretum](#) was established in 1872, and contains more than a million specimens housed within the [Harvard University Herbaria](#) in Cambridge, Massachusetts. The Cultivated Herbarium in the Arboretum's Hunnewell Building currently holds 130,000 specimens, representing mainly temperate plants of cultivated origin. Fifty thousand of these specimens document extant or former accessions from the Arboretum's living collections and can be searched on the [specimen database](#).

Herbarium Mounting Records in this collection have been kept by Herbarium Staff since 1964. These notebooks provide an accurate count of specimens received, processed, mounted, and deposited into either Arnold Arboretum Herbarium or the Gray Herbarium at Harvard University Herbaria in Cambridge. Notebook data is recorded into electronic spreadsheets by Curation staff. Along with record keeping, this data is used for annual reports and grant applications. Each notebook is deposited into the Archives when complete.

Scope and Content

Records consist of eleven handwritten notebooks covering the years from 1964 -

Arrangement

The Herbarium Mounting Records are arranged in 1 series.

Series I: Herbarium Mounting Records, 1964 -



Susan Hardy Brown preparing specimens in Charles Stratton Dana Greenhouses during Hunnewell Building renovations, 1993.

NOVEMBER 1987			
Date	Total	Plants of	Cult/Rep
Nov. 5, 1987	26	Himalayas	
Dec 8, 1987	33	Japan	
Nov. 6, 1987	77	Himalayas	
	12	Japan	
Nov. 10, 1987	68	Japan	
	(214)		
Nov. 16, 1987	22	Japan	
	21	Nepal	
Nov. 20, 1987	93	{Ecuador, Brazil, etc}	
Nov. 23, 1987	74	{Interregnellian}	
Nov. 24, 1987	12	Malaya	
Nov. 25, 1987	31	Inter Regnellian	
Nov. 30, 1987	25	Himalayas	
Dec 31, 1987	21	Thailand	
	12	Japan	
	32	Malaya	
	4	AA	✓
	1	Illinois	
	<u>583</u>	Total	

APRIL 2005			
Date	Total	Plants of	Herb. Cult/Rep
4/18/05	14	Thailand	AA
4/19/05	57	"	AA
	3	New Guinea	AA
4/20/05	11	Thailand	AA
4/25/05	15	Nepal	
4/26/05	20	Nepal	
4/27/05	42	Nepal	
5/09/05	82	New Schultes	GH
	6	Lilacs (cult)	AA
	10	New Guinea	AA
5/10	7	Thailand	AA
	12	Australia	AA
5/11	12	New Guinea	AA
5/16	2	Columbia	GH
	20	Indonesia	AA
	5	Thailand	AA
5/19	31	Thailand	AA
		(349 Total)	

Pages from Mounting Records, Susan Hardy Brown. Information includes:

- Date (completion of specimen sheets)
- Total (number of specimens mounted)
- Plants of (geographic origin)
- Herb. (repository destination: AA=Arnold Arboretum, GH=Gray Herbarium)
- Cult. (Cultivated in Arnold Arboretum Living Collections)
- and Rep. (repair)

Container List

Box 1

Series I: Herbarium Mounting Records, 1964 -

Folder

- 1: "Records of Mounting. June 15, 1964 through June 12, 1968"
 - 1 spiral bound notebook, handwritten, annotated list of mounted herbarium specimens, title from cover
- 2: "Records of Mounting. June 13, 1968 to June 21, 1974"
 - 1 spiral bound notebook, handwritten, annotated list of mounted herbarium specimens, title from cover
- 3: "Records of Mounting. June 26, 1974 to June 14, 1985"
 - 1 spiral bound notebook, handwritten, annotated list of mounted herbarium specimens, title from cover.
 - Typewritten procedural instructions attached to front cover
 - "Present Personnel at Arnold Arboretum Herbarium." Typewritten list of part-time workers and their dates of service, attached to front cover
 - 1 expense receipt with handwritten date, "August 1974"



"*Lilium* 'Black Beauty'. This specimen, which includes an entire plant, will be mounted on 3 separate herbarium sheets. The base of the bulb has been split to facilitate drying." Originally published in DeWolf, Gordon P., Jr. "[Notes on Making an Herbarium](#)." *Arnoldia* 28:8-9, August 1968. Heman Howard, photographer, 1967.

- 4:** Records of Mounting, Susan Hardy Brown. Five, 6"x9" spiral bound stenographer notebooks, handwritten, annotated list of mounted herbarium specimens, titles from covers. 1986 – 2011
- "Record of Mounting. J.P. 1986 – 1989."
 - August 4, 1986 – March 31, 1989
 - "Record of Mounting. J.P. April 1989 – September 1994."
 - April 6, 1989 – September 30, 1994
 - "Record of Mounting. Arnold Arboretum / JP Herbarium. October 1994 – August 1999."
 - October 12, 1994 – September 13, 1999
 - "Record of Mounting / JP. Arnold Arboretum Herbarium. Sept. 1999 – ."
 - September 8, 1999 – July 28, 2003
 - [No cover title; 6"x9", transparent purple spiral bound notebook cover.]
 - August 27, 2003 – June 30, 2011

5: Records of Mounting, Volunteers, Three, 6"x9" spiral bound stenographer notebooks, handwritten, annotated list of mounted herbarium specimens, titles from covers. 1984 – 2008

- "Record of Mounting. Mounting – Volunteers. Filled. 1984 to May 1989."
 - March 28, 1984 – May 22, 1989
- "Herbarium Volunteers. June 1989 – Nov. 1995."
 - June 1, 1989 – November 30, 1995
- [No cover title; title page reads "Records of Mounting. Volunteers at the Herbarium of the Arnold Arboretum of Harvard University. December 1995 to ."]
 - October 6, 1995 – July 31, 2008