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Guide to the William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Medals and Medallions

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Collection Overview

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CALL NUMBER: YCGL MSS 28

CREATOR: Speck, William A. (William Alfred), 1864-1928 , collector

TITLE: William A. Speck collection of Goetheana : medals and medallions

DATES: 1740-1934

PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION: 6 linear feet (23 boxes)

LANGUAGE: Chiefly in German; some materials in English.

SUMMARY: The William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Medals and Medallions consists of 178 medals, coins, medallions, and reliefs depicting Johann Wolfgang von Goethe, Friedrich Schiller, and other figures, mostly literary. By date, the pieces range from 1740 (a Gutenberg medal commemorating the tercentennial of the invention of printing) to 1934. The earliest Goethe items are a circa 1775 tin medal by Boltschauser and an 1808 medallion modeled by the painter Gerhard Kugelgen (1772-1820). Many medals and medallions date from anniversaries, especially from Goethe's centenary in 1849 and his subsequent birth and death anniversaries in 1899 and 1932. Several Schiller medals commemorate the centenary of his birth in 1859 and the hundredth anniversary of his death in 1905.

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b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Acquired at various times and from various sources.

Custodial History

Commemorative medals and medallions featuring images of Goethe and Schiller were one of the earliest collecting interests of William A. Speck, founder and first curator of the Speck Collection of Goetheana. Correspondence preserved in Speck's papers indicate that he was purchasing Goethe coins and medals as early as 1890 from dealers in Germany and the United States, among them Adolf E.Cahn and L.& L. Hamburger, both in Frankfurt a.M.; Carl Wiebe in Hamburg; and in New York City, Edward Frossard. When the Speck Collection was acquired by Yale in 1913, the university's press release noted that it included a "practically complete collection of medals struck in his [Goethe's] honor."

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

Conditions Governing Use

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Preferred Citation

William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Medals and Medallions. Yale Collection of German Literature, Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

Processing Information

Some sixty items from the collection were on public display when the Speck Collection occupied room 226 in Sterling Memorial Library. When the Yale Collection of German Literature (which embraces the Speck Collection) was moved to the Beinecke Library in 1963, the exhibited medals were reunited with the rest of the collection. With the exception of the larger items, the medals were kept in individual 6.5-inch envelopes with typed information on the front. They were also cataloged on cards, but no code or numbering system links the objects with the catalog cards. Both the typed envelopes and the catalog cards were clearly projects of the early decades of the Speck Collection's history at Yale. They certainly were not added to or altered after the move to the Beinecke; in all likelihood they were products of the 1920s and 1930s. The identification of the items and description in this finding aid is based on the cards and the annotations on the envelopes. The envelope numbers and numbers previously used to identify larger items (L-# and X-#) are included in the listing below, and the original envelopes and catalog cards are included in the collection.

Associated Materials

Associated Materials: William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Manuscripts (YCGL MSS 6), William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Music (YCGL MSS 9), and William A. Speck Collection of Prints

(YCGL MSS 11), William A. Speck collection of Goetheana: Theater Ephemera (YCGL MSS 24), William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Original Artwork (YCGL MSS 26), and William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: General Ephemera (YCGL MSS 27), Beinecke Rare Book and Manuscript Library.

William A. Speck (1864-1928)

William A. Speck, the son of German immigrants, was born in New York City in 1864. A pharmacist by profession, he amassed the largest Goethe collection outside of Germany. In 1913, he and his collection came from Haverstraw, New York to Yale, where he served as curator of the Speck Collection until his death in 1928. For further biographical information on William A. Speck and a general history and description of the Speck Collection, see the finding aid for the William A. Speck Collection of Goetheana: Manuscripts ([YCGL MSS 6](#)).

Scope and Contents

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This collection was featured in the lead article, with a supplemental loose plate, in the second issue of *The Yale University Library Gazette* (1:2, October 1926). In this essay, entitled "The Goethe Medals and Medallions in Yale University Library," Speck states that the collection includes all but one of the Goethe medals modeled from life. He then tells the story of one of the rarest items in the collection, the discarded jubilee medal of 1826. The Swiss medalist Henri François Brandt (1789-1845), who spent most of his professional life in Berlin, was commissioned by Duke Carl August of Saxe-Weimar to create a medal commemorating the fiftieth anniversary of Goethe's residency in Weimar. The obverse showed Goethe in profile, the reverse Carl August and his wife Luise. But the duke was dissatisfied with this first strike, disliking his own portrait and the horn-like curls the artist gave to Luise. A new medal was made, in which the offending curls were deleted and Goethe became slimmer. Both versions are included in the collection.

The collection contents list notes the depictions on the obverse/reverse of each item, the material from which it is made, the creator of the medal, and any notes.

Arrangement

Organized into five series: I. Medals and Reliefs Depicting Goethe. II. Medals and Reliefs Depicting Schiller. III. Medals and Reliefs Depicting other figures. IV. Larger Medallions and Reliefs. V. Similar Objects Made of Non-metallic Materials.

Collection Contents

Series I: Medals and Reliefs Depicting Goethe, 1808-1932

(84 items)

Arranged chronologically.

b. 21, f. 151	Goethe/eagle, tin medal. By Hans Heinrich Boltschauser, after a plaster relief made around the same time by Johann Peter Melchior. <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 16	circa 1775
b. 1, f. 1	Goethe, iron relief medal. By Gerhard von K�ugelgen <i>3 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 10	1808
b. 1, f. 2	Goethe/Pegasus, bronze medal. By Johann Gottfried Schadow. "One of the few original bronze casts" <i>3 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 11	1816
b. 1, f. 3	Goethe/Pegasus, iron medal. By Johann Gottfried Schadow. Later casting in iron <i>3 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 12	1816
b. 1, f. 4	Goethe/eagle, bronze medal. By Jean Fran�ois Antoine Bovy <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 9	1824
b. 1, f. 5	Goethe/relief - no image, iron medal. By Jean Fran�ois Antoine Bovy. Sample strike of above? <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 70	circa 1824
b. 1, f. 6	Goethe/blank, silver medal. By Henri Fran�ois Brandt. Sample strike <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 2	circa 1825
b. 1, f. 7	Goethe/ Karl August and Luise, bronze medal. By Henri Fran�ois Brandt. "Rejected Jubilee Medal". Two copies. <i>1 1/2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 1	1825
b. 1, f. 8	Goethe/ Karl August and Luise, medal. By Henri Fran�ois Brandt. Official Jubilee Medal <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 3	1825
b. 1, f. 9	Goethe/ Dem VII Nov MDCCCXXV, bronze and pewter medals. By Angelika Facius. Jubilee of Goethe's arrival in Weimar <i>1 1/2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 4	1825

b. 1, f. 10	Goethe/Goethe being crowned with laurel. By Friedrich Anton König. Later strike? Edge: Loos Foundery, Berlin <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 13	1826
b. 1, f. 11	Goethe/Goethe being crowned with laurel, bronze medal. By Friedrich Anton König <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 19	1826
b. 1, f. 12	Goethe/ Goethe being crowned, iron medal. By Friedrich Anton König <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 71	1826
b. 2, f. 13	Goethe, relief medal. By Leonard Posch. <i>3 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 14	1827
b. 2, f. 14	Goethe, iron relief medal. By Johann Carl Fischer. <i>4 inches</i> From envelope 18	1827
b. 2, f. 15	Goethe/Janus, bronze medal. By Jean François Antoine Bovy <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 17	1831
b. 2, f. 16	Goethe/text, medal commemorating Goethe's death. By H. Wilke <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 5	1832
b. 2, f. 17	Goethe/poet borne aloft on a swan, two medals commemorating Goethe's death. By Friedrich Anton König <i>1 5/8 inches, 2 items.</i> From envelope 6	1832
b. 2, f. 18	Goethe/ poet borne aloft on a swan. By Friedrich Anton König. Combines obverse of 1826 medal and reverse of the preceeding <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 7	1832
b. 2, f. 19	Goethe/blank, lead medal. By Friedrich Anton König. Possibly a sample strike <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 72	1832
b. 2, f. 20	Goethe/text. By Wilhelm Kullrich. On reverse: "Zur Erinnerung an den 28 August 1849" <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 20	1849
b. 2, f. 21	Schiller & Goethe/text, pewter medal. By Wilke. On reverse: "Den deutschen Dichter Heroen" <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 15	1860

b. 2, f. 22	Goethe/text. By Lauer (?) Issued by Goethe-Garten, Blasewitz <i>7/8 inch</i> From envelope 95	1881
b. 2, f. 23	Goethe/ mythological poetry and truth, bronze medal. By Hugo Kaufmann. City of Frankfurt medal commemorating Goethes birth <i>2 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 31	1899
b. 2, f. 24	Goethe/Frankfurt Goethehaus, bronze medal. By Oscar Bergmann <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 33	1899
b. 3, f. 25	Goethe/heraldic device. By Jörgum & Trefz <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 34	1899
b. 3, f. 26	Goethe and six women/Goethe bust, bronze medal. By Josef Kowarzik <i>5 1/2 inches, obl.</i> From envelope 41	1899
b. 3, f. 27	Goethe/outdoor scene, bronze medal. By Josef Kowarzik. Reverse shows figure walking, surrounded by phantom figures <i>2 /14 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 43	1899
b. 3, f. 28	Goethe/ Goethe house in Frankfurt, silver medal. By L. C. Lauer <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 45	1899
b. 3, f. 29	Goethe receiving laurel crown/Frankfurt Goethehaus, two copies of different medals. By Heinrich Oppenheim <i>1 5/8 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 46	1899
b. 3, f. 30	Goethe/heavenly scene. By Anton Scharff. On reverse: depiction of Prolog im Himmel from Faust I? <i>2 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 47	1899
b. 3, f. 31	Goethe/Frankfurt Goethe house. By Lauer <i>1 inch</i> From envelope 69	1899
b. 3, f. 32	Goethe/Frankfurt Goethehaus, profile, bronze medal. By Rudolf Bosselt. <i>3 inches</i> From envelope 48	1899
b. 3, f. 33	Goethe/text, Masonic emblem, aluminum medal. By Johann von Langa (?) Issued by Loge Amalia, Weimar <i>1 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 73	1899

b. 3, f. 34	Goethe/blank, silver alloy medal. By Lauer. Two copies, one in relief (test strike?) <i>2 1/8 inches, rect., 2 items</i> From envelope 74	1899
b. 3, f. 35	Goethe monument/text. By Jörgum & Trefz. Two copies <i>1 1/8 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 75	1899
b. 4, f. 36	Goethe/wreath and text, copper medal. <i>1 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 76	1899
b. 4, f. 37	Goethe/wreath and text, bronze medal. By Lauer <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 77	1899
b. 4, f. 38	Goethe/Gartenhaus, Weimar. Two copies, one on aluminum(?) <i>1 1/2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 78	1899
b. 4, f. 39	Goethe monument/wreath and text. Attached to fringed ribbon and pin <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 79	1899
b. 4, f. 40	Goethe/Frankfurt Goethe house. Attached to fringed ribbon and pin <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 80	1899
b. 4, f. 41-41a	Goethe monument/Frankfurt Goethe house, bronze medal. By Jörgum & Trefz. With smaller example, <i>1 1/4 inches</i> ; with cheaper copy of each size hung on ribbons <i>1 1/2 inches, 2 items; 1 1/4 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 87	1899
b. 4, f. 42	Nude youth viewing Goethe monument/blank, bronze medal. By Rudolph Ferdinand Marschall. Inaugurations of Vienna Goethe monument <i>3 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 50	1900
b. 4, f. 43	Katharina Elisabeth Goethe/ family scene, bronze medal. By Rudolf Bosselt. Plaque honoring Goethe's mother <i>2 1/4 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 40	1902
b. 4, f. 44	Goethe, Schiller/ Frankfurt theater. By Heinrich Oppenheim. Celebrates opening of the new theater <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 42	1902
b. 4, f. 45	Goethe's mother/Frankfurt scene, silver medal. By Hugo Kaufmann. Centenary of the Musterschule in Frankfurt <i>1 inch</i> From envelope 94	1903

b. 4, f. 46	Goethe and Schiller/quotation & emblem, bronze/silver alloy medal. By Mayer & Wilhelm, Stuttgart. Issued by Loge Amalia, Weimar <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 92	1905
b. 5, f. 47	Bezirksverein deutscher Ingenieure/Goethe quote, copper/brass alloy medal. By Rudolf Bosselt <i>1 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 81	1913
b. 5, f. 48	Goethe/text in English, bronze medal. Bovy (reproduction). Award from Carl Schurz Foundation for best essay <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 35	1932
b. 5, f. 49	Goethe/ torchbearer, bronze medal. By Fritz Grosshans. Issued in Newark, New Jersey <i>2 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 38	1932
b. 5, f. 50	Goethe/Goethe Gedenkjahr 1932 <i>1 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 82	1932
b. 5, f. 51	Goethe/nude woman, iron medal. By Wilhelm Oskar Prack. <i>2 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 52	[19??]
b. 5, f. 52	Goethe/blank, in box with NYC shop address <i>3 3/8 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 66	[19??]
b. 5, f. 53	Goethe/blank, bronze medal, attached stand on back, has exhibition label. By Stiasny <i>2 1/2 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 67	[19??]
b. 5, f. 54	Goethe/ scene from Faust? By Rudolf Mayer. <i>2 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 36	[19??]
b. 5, f. 55	Goethe/ Mehr Licht, goldbronze medal. By Johann Schwertner. Issued by Loge Goethe, Pressburg <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 44	undated
b. 5, f. 56	Goethe/blank, bronze medal. By C. Müller <i>3 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 65	undated
b. 6, f. 57	Goethe/blank, medal after Bovy. Carnelian glass intaglio, with 2 other small cameos <i>1 1/4 inches, rect., and smaller: 3 items</i> From envelope 68	undated

b. 6, f. 58	Goethe/blank, bronze medal. By Mayer & Wilhelm, Stuttg. <i>1 3/4 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 83	undated
b. 6, f. 59	Goethe/woman with lyre and laurel wreath. By Mayer & Wilhelm, Stuttg. <i>2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 84	undated
b. 6, f. 60	Goethe and Schiller/shield bronze medal and silver alloy medal. By Mayer & Wilhelm, Stuttg. <i>2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 85	undated
b. 6, f. 61	Goethe/ Goethe and Schiller, medals. By Mayer & Wilhelm, Stuttg. <i>2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 86	undated
b. 6, f. 62	Goethe house in relief <i>1 inch</i> From envelope 88	undated
b. 6, f. 63	Goethe in relief <i>5/8 inch</i> From envelope 89	undated
b. 6, f. 64	Goethe/blank <i>1 inch</i> From envelope 90	undated
b. 6, f. 65	Goethe/blank <i>2 1/4 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 91	undated
b. 6, f. 66	Goethe/wreath and text, copper medal. Lauer. "Spielfennig" - two examples, reverse different <i>7/8 inch, 2 items</i> From envelope 93	undated
b. 6, f. 67	Goethe. Sample cast? <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 133	undated

Series II: Medals and Reliefs Depicting Schiller, 1819-1905*(33 items)*

Arranged chronologically.

b. 7, f. 68	Schiller/text, bronze medal. By Jean Jacques Barre. <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 96	1819
b. 7, f. 69	Schiller/Schiller's house in Weimar, bronze medal. By Angelika Facius <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 97	1847
b. 7, f. 70	Schiller/text, tombak medal. By Wenzel Seidan. Issued by the Prague Schiller Verein <i>1 inch</i> From envelope 98	1859
b. 7, f. 71	Schiller/den 20 November 1859, pewter medal, after Barre. Issued by the Maschinenbaugesellschaft, Karlsruhe <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 99	1859
b. 7, f. 72	Schiller/ Muse with wings and lyre, bronze medal. By Fischer & Staudigel <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 100	1859
b. 7, f. 73	Schiller/Lied von der Glocke. By Staudigel & Schnitzspahn. Commemorating the centenary of his birth <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 51	1859
b. 7, f. 74	Schiller/Calliope on an eagle, bronze medal. By Carl Radnitzky. Centenary festival at Vienna <i>1 inch</i> From envelope 102	1859
b. 7, f. 75	Schiller/wreath and text, bronze medal. By Wilhelm Kullrich. Centenary celebration in Berlin <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 103	1859
b. 7, f. 76	Schiller/lyre, bronze medal. By Sebald & Drentwett <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 104	1859
b. 7, f. 77	Schiller/Lied von der Glocke, bronze medal. By Fritz Staudigel. Notes say collection included copy in gold <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 105	1859
b. 7, f. 78	Schiller/text, bronze plated medal. By H. Wilke <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 106	1859

b. 7, f. 79	Schiller/wreath and text, tin medal. By A. Kerwien, issued in New York, text in German. <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 107	1859
b. 7, f. 80	Schiller/bell, bronze medal. By Allen & Moore, Birmingham <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 101	[1859?]
b. 21, f. 152	Schiller/text, bronze and pewter medals. Issued in New York, text in English <i>1 5/8 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 108	1859
b. 7, f. 81	Female figure with lyre/Schiller monument. By Carl Radnitzky. Unveiling of Schiller monument in Vienna <i>2 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 109	1876
b. 8, f. 82	Schiller/text, silver medal. By Oscar Bergmann. 25th anniversary, Schiller Stiftung, Weimar <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 110	1884
b. 8, f. 83	Schiller/wreath and text, silver medal. By Sebald & Drentwett. 15th anniversary, Deutsche Schiller-Stiftung <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 111	1884
b. 8, f. 84	Goethe-Schiller monument/wreath & text, brass medal. By Lauer. Thüringisches Kreisturnfest, Weimar <i>1 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 112	1887
b. 8, f. 85	Schiller/scene: Lied von der Glocke. By Rudolf Mayer. Similar to envelope 36 above <i>2 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 49	1905
b. 8, f. 86	Schiller/text <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 114	1905
b. 8, f. 87	Schiller/blank, bronze medal. By Rudolf Mayer <i>4 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 61	1905
b. 8, f. 88	Schiller/text and emblem, bronze medal. By Mayer & Wilhelm. Issued by Loge Amalia, Weimar <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 113	1905
b. 8, f. 89	Schiller/wreath and bell, copper medal. By Lauer. "Spielfennig" <i>7/8 inch</i> From envelope 119	undated

b. 8, f. 90	Schiller/Muse with lyre. By Mayer & Wilhelm. Obverse same as envelope113. Copies in different metals <i>2 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 115	undated
b. 8, f. 91	Schiller/blank <i>2 5/8 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 116	undated
b. 8, f. 92	Schiller/Schiller and Goethe. By Mayer & Wilhelm. Obverse same as envelope 113. <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 117	undated
b. 8, f. 93	Schiller/lyre on a pedestal, bronze medal. By Friedrich Wilhelm Facius <i>1 3/8 inches</i> From envelope 118	undated
b. 9, f. 94	Schiller/text, silver and bronze medals. By Franz Apell. Commemorates Schiller's election to the Academie der gemeinnütziger Wissenschaften, Erfurt, in 1791 <i>1 1/8 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 120	undated
b. 9, f. 95	Schiller/ wreath and text, bronze medal. By Lauer. <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 121	undated
b. 9, f. 96	Schiller/wreath and text <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 122	undated

Series III: Medals and Reliefs Depicting Other People, 1740-1934

(30 items)

Arranged alphabetically by name of subject.

b. 9, f. 97	Carl August/text, bronze medal. By Bertrand Andrieu. Reverse: Mitescunt aspera saecla <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 25	1816
b. 9, f. 98	Carl August/wreath, bronze medal. By Henri François Brandt. Commemorates 50th anniversary of his reign <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 27	1825
b. 9, f. 99	Carl August/zodiac, bronze medal. By Angelika Facius. Commemorates his death <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 28	1828
b. 9, f. 100	Karl August/ Rietschel's Goethe/Schiller monument, bronze and silver medals. By Sebald - Drentwett. Commemorates the unveiling of the monument <i>1 5/8 inches, 2 items</i> From envelope 8 and envelope 21	1857
b. 9, f. 101	Carl Alexander & Sophie/wreath and text, bronze medal. By Angelika Facius. Carl Alexander was grandson of Carl August; 25th wedding anniversary <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 32	1867
b. 9, f. 102	Carl Friedrich/text, bronze medal. By Henrich Bubert. Reverse: Die Gemeinden des Eisenachischen Unterlands am 15 Juni 1853 <i>1 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 22	1853
b. 9, f. 103	Carl Gustav Carus/Psyche between day & night, bronze medal. By Ulbricht <i>1 3/4 inches</i> From envelope 123	1847
b. 9, f. 104	Benjamin Constant/text, bronze medal. By François Augustin Caunois. <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 124	1827
b. 9, f. 105	Karl Wilhelm von Fritsch/wreath & text, bronze medal. By Angelika Facius <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 62	1839
b. 21, f. 153	Christian F. Gellert/Calliope [?], silver medal. By J. H. Meil. <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 59	[1769?]
b. 9, f. 106	Salomon Gessner/wreath, bronze medal. By Hans Heinrich Boltschauser. <i>2 inches</i> From envelope 57	undated

b. 10, f. 107	Franz Grillparzer/lyre, bronze medal. By Anton Scharff. Commemorates unveiling of monument in Vienna <i>2 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 125	1889
b. 10, f. 108	J. Gutenberg & J. Faust/text. 300th anniversary of invention of printing <i>1 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 126	1740
b. 10, f. 109	J. G. Herder/wreath and text, bronze medal. By Angelika Facius. Unveiling of Herder Monument, Weimar <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 127	1850
b. 10, f. 110	Alexander von Humboldt/text and wreath, bronze medal. By Carl Pfeuffer <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 54	undated
b. 10, f. 111	Alexander von Humboldt/Humboldt, seated, bronze medal. By Gottfried Bernhard Loos. <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 60	1805
b. 10, f. 112	F. H. Jacobi/text, silver medal. By Joseph Losch. <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 128	1819
b. 10, f. 113	Luise, Grand Duchess/text, bronze medal. By J. A. F. Bovy. Reverse: Das Gerettet Weimar MDCCCVI <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 23	1826
b. 10, f. 114	Maria Pavlovna/text, bronze medal. By Angelika Facius. Commemorates 50th anniversary of her reign as Grand Duchess of Saxe-Weimar <i>2 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 30	1854
b. 10, f. 115	Heinrich Meyer/text, silver medal. By Angelika Facius <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 63	1833
b. 10, f. 116	Napoleon/insignia, bronze medal. By Louis Jaley. Comemmorates the creation of the Legion of Honor; obverse designed by Bertrand Andrieu <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 24	1806
b. 10, f. 117	Walter Scott/female figure, bronze medal. By Thomas and Alfred J. Stothard <i>2 3/8 inches</i> From envelope 131	1827
b. 10, f. 118	Madame de Staël/text, bronze medal. By Jacques Edouard Gatteaux. <i>1 5/8 inches</i> From envelope 55	1819

b. 10, f. 119	C. A. Tiedge/pegasus, bronze medal. By Söhnitz <i>1 1/2 inches</i> From envelope 129	undated
b. 10, f. 120	Christian Gottlob von Voigt/3 wreaths, bronze medal. By F. W. Facius <i>1 1/4 inches</i> From envelope 53	1816
b. 11, f. 121	Ludwig Tieck/eagle with lyre, bronze medal. By Karl Reinhard Krüger. <i>1 3/8 inches</i> From envelope 58	undated
b. 11, f. 122	Ludwig Uhland/text, bronze medal. By Adam Schiller. Centenary of his birth <i>1 1/8 inches</i> From envelope 130	1887
b. 11, f. 123	Wilhelm von Weckbecker/text, medal. By Rudolph Ferdinand Marshall <i>2 3/4 inches, rect.</i> From envelope 132	1934
b. 11, f. 124	Karl Friedrich Zelter/his coat of arms, copper medal. By Angelika Facius <i>1 3/8 inches</i> From envelope 56	1831

Series IV: Larger Medallions and Reliefs, 1775-1924*(19 items)*

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b. 11, f. 125	Goethe, in wooden mount, which is certainly much more recent than 1775. By Johann Peter Melchior <i>9 1/4 x 7 inches, rect.</i> L-0	1775
b. 12, f. 126	Goethe, bronze plaque. By Leonhard Posch. <i>4 inches</i> L-1	[1827?]
b. 12, f. 127	Goethe, bronze plaque. By Jean Pierre David d'Angers. <i>8 3/8 inches</i> L-2	1829
b. 12, f. 128	Goethe, verso: Weber Rosel & Co, Nürnberg N:6. By W. Passow <i>7 3/4 inches</i> L-3	1860
b. 13, f. 129	Goethe, bronze plaque. By Gustav Kreß von Kressenstein. "Erinnerung an Goethe's Geburshaus" souvenir quality <i>5 1/4 inches</i> L-4	1863
b. 13, f. 130	Goethe plaque. By Wincenty Trojanowski. Paris. With quotation from Faust <i>10 x 7 3/4 inches, rect.</i> L-5	1899
b. 13, f. 131	Goethe, bronze plaque. By J. Rhein after J. K. Stieler. <i>3 3/4 inches</i> L-6	1899
b. 13, f. 132	Goethe/text. By Benno Elkan. Anniversaries of the Senckenbergische Naturforschende Gesellschaft <i>5 3/8 inches</i> L-7	1924
b. 14, f. 133	Goethe. 20th century; screw holes along edge <i>12 x 9 1/4 inches, oval</i> L-8	undated
b. 15, f. 134	Goethe, two copies, different materials <i>7 1/2 x 6 inches, rect., 2 items</i> L-9	undated
b. 16, f. 135	Goethe and Schiller, two small rectangular reliefs (4.5 x 3.5 inches) mounted on a single wood block <i>11 1/2 x 8 inches, obl.</i> L-10	undated

b. 17, f. 136-137	Goethe and Schiller, two matching reliefs, souvenir quality <i>5 3/8 x 5/12 inches, 2 items</i> L-11	undated
b. 17, f. 138	Schiller, bronze plaque. By Jean Pierre David d'Angers. [Probably a set with L-2 above] <i>8 3/8 inches</i> L-12	[1829?]
b. 18, f. 139	Schiller, laurel wreath colored gold <i>4 1/2 inches</i> L-13	undated
b. 18, f. 140	Schiller (?), in presentation box <i>3 5/8 inches</i> L-14	undated
b. 18, f. 141	Schiller, square relief, <i>2 1/4</i> , mounted on wood <i>7 x 5 inches, rect.</i> L-15	undated
b. 18, f. 142	Wieland/text, coated iron? Presented on his 78th birthday <i>3 5/8 inches</i> L-16	1810

Series V: Similar Objects Made of Non-metallic Materials, 1932

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b. 19, f. 143	Goethe, slate? <i>4 7/8 inches</i> X-1	undated
b. 19, f. 144	Goethe, slate? Chipped, lower left <i>4 1/4 inches</i> X-2	undated
b. 19, f. 145	Goethe, porcelain. By Metzler & Orloff, Ilmenau. Blue and white; issued by Goethe Nationalmuseum, Weimar <i>3 1/2 inches</i> X-3	1932
b. 19, f. 146	Goethe/column & snake, Weimar, ceramic; 4 medallions showing stages of production. Meissen crossed swords. By Meissen (?) <i>2 inches, 4 items in box</i> X-4	undated
b. 19, f. 147	Goethe/female figure, separate plaster casts of two sides of a medal <i>2 1/4 inches, 2 items</i> X-5	undated
b. 20, f. 148	Schiller, terracotta; gift of Faber du Faur; pencil inscription on back indicates that belonged to the family Cotta in Stuttgart. By Philipp Jakob Scheffauer. <i>7 5/8 inches, oval</i> X-6	undated
b. 20, f. 149	Schiller, bois durci <i>4 1/2 inches</i> X-7	undated
b. 20, f. 150	Profile, porcelain; figure is possibly Johann Kaspar Lavater. By Meissen (?) <i>3 1/4 inches</i> X-8	undated
b. 21, f. 151-153	[Described within Series I, II, and III, above]	

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