

Thomas Mann Papers
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Collection Summary

Title: Thomas Mann Papers

Span Dates: 1909-1947

ID No.: MSS92627

Creator: Mann, Thomas, 1875-1955

Extent: 15 items

Extent: 1 container

Extent: .2 linear feet

Language: Collection material in English and German

Location: Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

LC Catalog record: <https://lccn.loc.gov/mm82092627>

Summary: Novelist and essayist. Letters, speeches, and writings.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the LC Catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically.

People

Bab, Julius, 1880-1955--Correspondence.

Mann, Thomas, 1875-1955.

Mann, Thomas, 1875-1955. Gesetz. 1944.

Subjects

Literature.

Occupations

Essayists.

Novelists.

Provenance

The papers of Thomas Mann, novelist and essayist, were given to the Library of Congress by Mann between 1943 and 1947. Additional material was purchased in 1947.

Processing History

The papers of Thomas Mann were arranged and described in 1986. Several published works by Sigmund Freud with annotations by Mann were transferred in 2001 to the Thomas Mann Papers in the Sigmund Freud Collection also located in the Manuscript Division.

Copyright Status

The status of copyright in the unpublished writings of Thomas Mann is governed by the Copyright Law of the United States (Title 17, U.S.C.).

Access and Restrictions

The papers of Thomas Mann are open to research. Researchers are advised to contact the Manuscript Reading Room prior to visiting. Many collections are stored off-site and advance notice is needed to retrieve these items for research use.

Preferred Citation

Researchers wishing to cite this collection should include the following information: Container number, Thomas Mann Papers, Manuscript Division, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C.

Scope and Content Note

The papers of Thomas Mann (1875-1955) span the years 1909-1947 and contain letters, speeches, and writings in German and English. The collection includes nine letters written between 1909 and 1928 by Mann to German writer and critic Julius Bab. Also featured is a holograph draft on Library of Congress stationery of Mann's short story, *Das Gesetz*. Mann dedicated the story to the Library. Drafts of three speeches delivered between 1942 and 1947 by Mann at the Library complete the collection.

Arrangement of the Papers

This collection is arranged alphabetically by type of material.

Container List

Container	Contents
BOX 1	Letters by Mann to Julius Bab, 1909-1928
BOX 1	Speeches delivered at the Library of Congress
BOX 1	“Joseph and His Brethren,” 1942
BOX 1	“Nietzsche in the Light of Contemporary Events,” 1947
BOX 1	“War and the Future,” 1943
BOX 1	Writings, <i>Das Gesetz</i> , undated