

# University of Miami Cuban Heritage Collection

## Finding Aid - Martha Frayde Barraqué Papers (CHC5223)

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## Summary information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Miami Cuban Heritage Collection
<b>Title:</b>	Martha Frayde Barraqué Papers
<b>ID:</b>	CHC5223
<b>Date:</b>	1957-1966 (date of creation)
<b>Date:</b>	1962-1966 (date of creation)
<b>Physical description:</b>	Boxes
<b>Language:</b>	Spanish
<b>Language:</b>	French
<b>Dates of creation, revision and deletion:</b>	
<b>Note [generalNote]:</b>	Other Information: Sponsor Note: This collection was processed with the support of a grant from The Goizueta Foundation.

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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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### Note

Born in Havana, Cuba in 1920, Martha Frayde Barraqué studied medicine at the University of Havana and at McGill University in Canada.

Frayde was active in the Cuban Revolution, founding and directing Cuba's National Hospital and its nursing school. She had close ties to Fidel and Raul Castro and Ché Guevara. Frayde served as Cuba's representative to UNESCO until 1965, when she returned to Cuba and became active in the dissident movement. With Ricardo Bofill, she founded the Comité Cubano Pro Derechos Humanos (Cuban Committee for Human Rights) in 1976.

In July of that year, she was arrested as a counterrevolutionary and sentenced to 29 years in prison. She was released almost four years later and has lived in exile in Spain since 1979.

## Scope and content

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The Martha Frayde Barraqué Papers consist of letters from the Cuban painter Wifredo Lam (1902-1982) to Frayde dating between 1962 and 1966. The collection also includes a group photograph of Lam and Frayde in Mexico in 1957.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

### Physical condition

The letters in this collection are in very fragile condition. The collection is closed for research until the letters can be digitally reformatted.

### Immediate source of acquisition

Gift of Martha Frayde Barraqué, 2006; and the Estate of Martha Frayde Barraqué, 2015.

### Alternative form available

Selected materials from this collection have been digitized.  
<http://merrick.library.miami.edu/cubanHeritage/chc5223/>

### Related material

Martha Frayde Barraqué donated her collection of Cuban art to the Lowe Art Museum at the University of Miami in 2006. Her donation included works by Wifredo Lam, Amelia Peláez, Fidelio Ponce, Gina Pellón, Raúl Milián, Víctor Manuel, Manuel Mendive, Lorenzo Mena, Roberto Estopiñán, René Portocarrero, Julio Matilla, Servando Cabrera Moreno, Waldo Díaz-Balart, Baruj Salinas, Jorge Camacho, Hernán García, José Mijares, Andrés Lacau, Héctor Moltó, and other Cuban artists.

### Accruals

Additions to this collection are expected.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Description identifier:** ArchonInternalCollectionID:1026

## Access points

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- Letters (documentary form)
  - Photographs (documentary form)
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## Series descriptions

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
id4593	File -			1
id4594	File - Correspondence from Lam, Wifredo	n.d.		1 1
id4595	File - Correspondence from Lam, Wifredo	1962		1 2
id4596	File - Correspondence from Lam, Wifredo	1963		1 3
id4597	File - Correspondence from Lam, Wifredo	1964		1 4
id4598	File - Correspondence from Lam, Wifredo	1965		1 5
id4599	File - Correspondence from Lam, Wifredo	1966		1 6
id4600	File - Photographs	1957		1 7
id372911	File - Marta Frayde Barraqué baby album	1920s		1 8
id372912	File - Jewelry	1940s-1950s		2
id372913	File - Photograph album, D. Felipe Poey family	late 19th century		3
id372914	File - Photograph album, D. Felipe Poey family	late 19th century		4