

**Morehead State University  
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Manuscript Accession Form**

**Collection Title:** Wilma Howard Covered Bridge Collection

**Manuscript Series Number:** MS014-1992

**Date Received:** No acquisition date exists for collection.

**Processed by:** Jessey C. Reed

**Cataloged by:** Dieter C. Ullrich

**Date Listed:** October 31, 2014

**Date Span:** 1950-1992

**Size of Collection:** 0.5 linear feet.

**Number of Boxes:** 1 half size legal document case and 1 photographic print container.

**Type of Material:** Newspaper clippings, magazine clippings, publications, information sheets, audio tapes, pictures, paintings, photographs and negatives.

**Condition of Material:** Good.

**Arrangement:** Arranged by subject.

**Biographical / Historical Information:** Wilma Bissert Howard, born January 26 1925, was an art teacher from Chicago, Illinois, who moved to Morehead, Kentucky, sometime during the 1960's. She received a Master's degree in Library Science from Morehead State University, where she later worked as a librarian. Howard painted many award winning watercolors of covered bridges throughout Kentucky and Ohio, earning her the name "covered bridge lady." She died on March 20, 2005.

**Scope and Content:** Collection consists of newspaper and magazine clippings, information sheets, several pictures, a small painting, a 1968 issue of *The Courier Journal and Times Magazine*, and three audio cassette tapes all concerning covered bridges throughout Kentucky and neighboring states. The collection includes a series of photographs and slides created by Howard for use in presentations. The collection also contains photographs and negatives of covered bridges and newspaper articles acquired by Louis Stockton "Stock" Bower, the last covered bridge builder from Flemingsburg, Kentucky.

**Subject Headings / Descriptors:**

Howard, Wilma Bissert, 1925-2005

Bower, Louis Stockton "Stock", 1905-1995  
Covered Bridges – Kentucky

**Notes:**