

# **United Association of Journeymen & Apprentices of Plumbers and Pipefitting Industry of the U.S. and Canada, Local 105; Records**

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# **Summary Information**

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# **Organizational Sketch**

The beginnings of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada is traced to 1889, when a Boston plumber named P. J. Quinlan addressed a brief letter to Richard A. O'Brien, a plumber in Washington, D.C. The author of the letter became the first General President and its recipient the first General Secretary-Treasurer of the United Association. Prior to 1889, those plumbers, steamfitters and gas fitters who were organized were members of independent local unions with either no affiliation, or affiliation with a variety of trades. By 1889 existing organizations were declining or becoming devoted to only one craft, so local union leaders began to consider other ways to unite national pipe trades journeymen to deal with mutual problems, including how to treat traveling members, build apprenticeships, and provide strike aid. In response to these issues, the United Association was officially born on October 11, 1889. The original name of the organization was the United Association of Journeymen Plumbers, Gas Fitters, Steam Fitters and Steam Fitters' Helpers of the United States and Canada. The union grew from forty delegates representing twenty-three unions in ten states to an international union representing almost 300,000 members in more than 400 local unions throughout the United States and Canada.[1]

The first meeting of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada, Local 105 was held on March 23, 1893. The union was chartered on May 1, 1893 as Local 105 of Schenectady County, New York. Local 376 of Amsterdam, New York merged with Local 105 on September 27, 1962. Local 253 of Gloversville, New York merged with Local 105 on May 1, 1972.

Notes [1] UA History, http://www.ua.org/history.htm, accessed 27 January 2003 [see http://www.ua.org/history.asp, 21 February 2005].

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# **Scope and Contents**

The collection includes meeting minutes from Locals 105 and 253 of the United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipefitting Industry of the United States and Canada. The minutes include accounts the unions' regular meetings as well as related material also entered into the ledgers. There are some officer and membership lists, correspondence, financial reports, grievance reports, and additional items produced by the union during the course of conducting their regular business.

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# **Arrangement of the Collection**

The collection is composed of two series containing similar materials and content.

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# **Administrative Information**

#### **Publication Statement**

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### **Controlled Access Headings**

- Schenectady, New York
- Labor

- Labor unions--New York (State)--Albany
- Plumbers--New York (State)--Albany
- Labor unions--History--19th century
- Labor unions--History--20th century
- New York (State)
- Minutes
- Administrative records
- Financial Records
- Membership lists
- Correspondence
- United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry, Local 105
- United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry, Local 253
- United Association of Journeymen and Apprentices of the Plumbing and Pipe Fitting Industry

# **Collection Inventory**

### Local 105 Minutes,, 1893-19021907-1927193219431949-1961

#### Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.

#### **Scope and Contents**

Series 1: Local 105 Minutes is composed of photocopies of union ledgers from Local 105.

Fitle/Description	Instances
Minutes, 1893-1898	Box 1 (1- Folder 1
	Local 105
	Minutes, )
Minutes, 1899-1900	Box 1 (1- Folder 2
	Local 105
	Minutes, )
Minutes, 1900-1902	Box 1 (1- Folder 3
	Local 105
	Minutes, )
Minutes, 1907-1909	Box 1 (1- Folder 4
	Local 105
	Minutes, )
Minutes, 1909-1910	Box 1 (1- Folder 5
	Local 105
	Minutes, )

	Box 1 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 6
Minutes, 1913-1914	Box 1 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 7
Minutes, 1914-1915	Box 1 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 8
Minutes, 1915-1916	Box 1 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 9
Minutes, 1916-1917	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 1
Minutes, 1918-1919	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 2
Minutes, 1919-1920	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 3
Minutes, 1920-1921	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 4
Minutes, 1921-1922	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 5
Minutes, 1922-1924	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 6
Minutes, 1924-1927	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 7
Minutes and Historical, 19321943	Box 2 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 8
Minutes, 1949-1951	Box 3 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 1
Minutes, 1951-1953	Box 3 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 2
Minutes, 1953-1955	Box 3 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	Folder 3

	Box 3 (1- Folder 4 Local 105 Minutes, )	
Minutes, 1952-1953	Box 3 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	
Minutes, 1954-1956	Box 3 (1- Local 105 Minutes, )	
Minutes, 1956-1958	Box 3 (1- Folder 7 Local 105 Minutes, )	
Minutes, 1958-1960	Box 3 (1- Folder 8 Local 105 Minutes, )	
Minutes, 1960-1961	Box 3 (1- Folder 9 Local 105 Minutes, )	

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### Financials, 1911-2007Undated

#### Arrangement

Arranged chronologically.

#### **Scope and Contents**

Series 2: Local 253 Minutes is composed of photocopies of Local 253's ledgers.

Fitle/Description	Instances
Minutes, 1955-1958	Box 4 (2- Folder 1 Financials)
Minutes, 1958-1961	Box 4 (2- Folder 2 Financials)
Minutes, 1961-1964	Box 4 (2- Folder 3 Financials)
Minutes, 1964-1965	Box 4 (2- Folder 4 Financials)
Minutes, 1965-1966	Box 4 (2- Folder 5 Financials)
Minutes, 1966-1967	Box 4 (2- Folder 6 Financials)

Minutes, 1967-1969

	Box 4 (2- Financials)	Folder 7
Minutes, 1969-1971	Box 4 (2- Financials)	Folder 8
Minutes, 1971-1972	Box 4 (2- Financials)	Folder 9

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