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## Collection Summary

**Repository:** Archives and Special Collections Library, Vassar College Libraries

**Creator:** Pease, Roland

**Title:** Roland F. Pease Papers

**Inclusive Dates:** 1831-2005

**Bulk Dates:** 1940-2000

**Quantity:** 14.6 cubic feet (17 boxes)

**Abstract:** Materials relating to the life and work of author and art collector, Roland F. Pease (1921-2012). Of particular interest is material related to his involvement with the Tibor de Nagy Gallery in New York City, as well as his work for several religious and fraternal organizations, such as the Society of Mayflower Descendants, the New England Society, and St. James' Church.

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## Biographical Note

Roland F. Pease (1921-2012) was an American writer, editor, and art collector. He was born in Boston, MA, on 11 December 1921 to Roland F. Pease and Mary (Hallett) Pease. He was the father of Rosland F. Pease, Jr., and publisher Deborah Saltonstall Pease.

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## Scope and Content Note

Correspondence, writings, photographs and other material relating to Pease's work and family life as well as his civic and religious affiliations and connections to the art world. Of particular interest are materials relating to his friendship with Tibor de Nagy and his involvement with the Tibor de Nagy Gallery in New York City. Also of note is a large cache of genealogical material relating to the Pease, Folsom, and Saltonstall families. The collection also includes material relating to Pease's involvement with several civic and religious organizations, including the Society of Mayflower Descendants, the New England Society, and St. James' Church in New York City.

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## Arrangement

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## Access and Use

### Access

Contains some restricted material. The rest of the collection is open for research according to the [regulations of the Vassar College Archives and Special Collections Library](#) without any additional restrictions.

### Restrictions on Use

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### Names:

- Folsom Family
- Pease Family
- Pease, Deborah
- Saltonstall Family

### Organizations:

- New England Society
- Society of Mayflower Descendants
- St. James' Church (New York, N.Y.)
- Tibor de Nagy Gallery

### VCL Categories:

- Art and Artists
- Family
- Journalism

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## Encoding Information

Encoded by Jennifer Palmentiero, March 2006. Updated by Emma Gronbeck, July 2025.

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## Administrative Information

### Preferred Citation

Roland F. Pease Papers, Archives and Special Collections, Vassar College Libraries.

### Processing Information

Collection processed by Laura Streett, February 2005. Last updated, April 2005.

## Acquisition Information

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