

**FINDING AID FOR:**  
The Ella Holgersohn Photograph Collection

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## **Collection Description**

*Collection #:* P016

*Collection Title:* The Ella Holgersohn Photograph Collection

*Creator:* Beland, Cheryl

*Location:*

*Inclusive Dates:* circa 1920

*Bulk Dates:*

*Extent:* 40 \_\_EA \_\_40 digital images

*Restrictions:*

*Assoc Coll Matl:*

*Hist/Bio Note:* Ella Holgersohn was born in Sweden and emigrated to the United States in 1911 with her twin sister. She worked at second cook at Vizcaya about 1920. Her first husband, Joseph Goddard, was a chauffeur at Vizcaya; he died in 1935. According to family lore, Ella, sometimes called Elly or Ally, worked for James Deering for 20 years in New York, Chicago, and Florida. She later remarried and lived in Phoenix, Arizona where she died on August 7, 1970.

*Scope:* Collection includes images of Ella Holgersohn, Joseph Goddard, and other Vizcaya staff in and around the Estate. Photos include candid portraits, picnics, and views of the Barge, East Gate Lodge, South Facade, Casino, and also possibly the Cape Florida Lighthouse, which at the time was owned by James Deering. Images of the Casino suggest a later date for the images, possibly as late as 1923.

*Notes:* The photographer is unknown, and so these images are orphan works with a presumed creation date of 1920, and so they will enter the public domain in 2040.

*Topic:* Boats and boating--lcsh --Cactus --Chauffeurs--lcsh --Cooking --Picnics--lcsh

*Geographic:* Florida--Biscayne Bay --Florida--Miami--lcsh --Cape Florida

*Personal:* Holgersohn, Ella (?-1970) --Goddard, Joseph (?-1935) --Beland, Cheryl

*Corporate:*

*Arrangement:*

## Container List

**Item Nbr:** EH01

**Title:** Ella Holgersohn and Joseph Goddard

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH02

**Title:** Ella Holgersohn and Joseph Goddard

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH03

**Title:** Ella Holgersohn

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH04

**Title:** Ella Holgersohn and Joseph Goddard

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH05

**Title:** Three ladies in front of the water; Ella is in middle

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH06

**Title:** Group of friends with car

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH07  
**Title:** Ella with cacti  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH08  
**Title:** Ella Holgersohn  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH09  
**Title:** Ella Holgersohn and Joseph Goddard  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH10  
**Title:** a lady and two gentlemen posing on a walkway near the beach  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH11  
**Title:** South Façade  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH12  
**Title:** Barge and 5 people in a rowboat; Ella is first person in front of boat  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH13  
**Title:** Ella at Boat Landing  
**Dates:** c. 1920s  
**Creator:**  
**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH14

**Title:** Casino and part of Lagoon Garden, looking north

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH15

**Title:** East Gate Lodge as seen from the West

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH16

**Title:** East Façade, Tea House, South Sea Arm

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH17

**Title:** Two women, possibly in the gardens or village

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH18

**Title:** Formal portrait of one man and five ladies; Ella is at top left

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH19

**Title:** Five ladies, possibly posing by Cape Florida Lighthouse; Ella is at far right

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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**Item Nbr:** EH20

**Title:** Group picnic photo

**Dates:** c. 1920s

**Creator:**

**Phys Desc:**

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## ***Series Descriptions***