

Title: Kalmbach Publishing Company Collection

Reference Code: Mss-3382

Inclusive Dates: 1974 – ongoing

Quantity: 000.2 cu. ft.

Location: LM, Sh. 085

Abstract: Kalmbach Publishing Company (currently known as Kalmbach Media) is a magazine and book publishing company that was founded in Milwaukee in 1934. It is best known for enthusiast and hobbyist publications, many of them related to trains, most notably the magazines *Model Railroader* (published since 1934) and *Trains* (published since 1940). Kalmbach was originally located on Milwaukee's Near South Side. It moved to 1027 N. 7th Street in downtown Milwaukee in 1942 and ultimately moved to Waukesha in 1989.

Scope and Content: This collection consists of materials about the history of Kalmbach Publishing Company as well as a selection of *Model Railroader* issues that feature Milwaukee-related projects, including modeling of The Milwaukee Electric Railway and Light Company (TMER&L); the Chicago, Milwaukee, St. Paul and Pacific Railroad (Milwaukee Road); and the Chicago North Shore and Milwaukee Railroad (North Shore Line).

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English

Notes: Removed from the Business Collection (Mss-0764) and the Railroad Collection (Mss-1956) and processed by Michael Barera, June 2024. *The Kalmbach Art Collection: Pairing Words and Imagery* added to the non-circulating library (709.73 CEN).

Arrangement:

Folder Heading	Box #	File #
Company history, 1982, 2024	1	1
<i>Model Railroader</i> magazine, 1974-1978, 1984, 2010	1	2