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Lisa Adams letters from Craig Kauffman

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Lisa Adams letters from Craig Kauffman
<b>Date:</b>	1986-1991
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.adamlisa
<b>Creator:</b>	Adams, Lisa, 1955- Kauffman, Craig, 1932-2010
<b>Extent:</b>	39 Items
<b>Language:</b>	Undetermined .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated 1998 by Lisa Adams.

### Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center.

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## Biographical / Historical

Lisa Adams is a painter and instructor at UCLA and Santa Monica College. Kauffman was a contemporary, abstract expressionist, finish-fetish and light and space artist, an associate professor at the University of California Berkeley and Irvine, and an instructor at the School of Visual Arts, New York. Adams and Kauffman met in Los Angeles in 1981 and then lived in N.Y. until 1984. Kauffman was one of the original members of the Ferus Gallery group. His connection with Beat era ideas led to a long-time study of Zen, Eastern philosophy, and residence in Southeast Asia.

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## Scope and Contents

Thirty-five letters and four postcards from Craig Kauffman to Lisa Adams written during the years Kauffman lived in Southeast Asia. Included are letters from the Philippines, Korea, Taiwan, and Thailand.

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

### Names:

Kauffman, Craig, 1932-2010