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Oral history interview with Philip Rhys Adams

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives of American Art Oral History Program, started in 1958 to document the history of the visual arts in the United States, primarily through interviews with artists, historians, dealers, critics and others.

Available Formats

Transcript available by request and through interlibrary loan. Audio may be available by request pending review and approval by the Archives.

Biographical / Historical

Philip Rhys Adams (1908-1993) was the museum director of Cincinnati Art Museum.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Philip Rhys Adams conducted 1976 September 29, by Louise Bruner, for the Archives of American Art.

Scope and Contents

Adams discusses the development of the Cincinnati Art Museum and the arrangement of its collections; gifts to the Museum from John Josiah Emery, Mary Emery, Herbert Greer French, Mary Hanna and Mary Johnston; Cincinnati artists including Jim Dine, Frank Duveneck, Henry Francis, Tom Wesselman, and Worthington Whittredge; the expense of a loan exhibition versus museum purchases; and the Contemporary

Arts Center and other educational programs. Adams also summarizes his educational background and career.

General

Originally recorded on 3 sound cassettes. Reformatted in 2010 as 5 digital wav files. Duration is 2 hrs., 39 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Museum directors -- Ohio -- Interviews

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Cincinnati Art Museum
Dine, Jim, 1935-
Duveneck, Frank, 1848-1919
Francis, Henry Sayles, 1902-1994
Wesselmann, Tom, 1931-2004
Whittredge, Worthington, 1820-1910

Functions:

Art museums -- Ohio -- Cincinnati