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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interviews relating to the arts
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.albearth
<b>Date:</b>	1956
<b>Extent:</b>	5 Items (Original: 5 sound reels)
<b>Creator:</b>	Alberts, Arthur S., 1910-1986
<b>Language:</b>	Arp interview introduction is in French and commentary is in German. Masson interview is in French. Sanchez-Canton interview is in Spanish.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated 1996 by John B. Harker, a friend of Alberts' wife, Elizabeth. At Elizabeth's death in 1991 the new owners of the Alberts' house found a box with the tapes in it and planned to dispose of them. Mr. Harker felt the tapes were significant and eventually contacted the Archives. Harker made the copy cassettes from the original reel-to-reel tapes.

### Location of Originals

Copy tapes also given to the Metropolitan Museum of Art, New York and to the Musee National d'Art Moderne, Paris.

### Reproduction Note

Cassettes copied from original reel-to-reel recordings.

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## Biographical / Historical

Writer; Falmouth, Massachusetts.

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## Scope and Contents

Selected interviews conducted by Arthur S. Alberts for his research project "French Civilization as Reflected in the Arts," and related lectures. Interviewees include Jean Arp (May 8, 1956); Ada Jean (1956); Andre Masson (Feb. 28, 1956); Xavier Sanchez-Canton (Mar. 15, 1956); and Gino Severini (Mar. 1956) and Man Ray (Feb. 22, 1956).

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Arts -- France  
Authors -- Massachusetts -- Falmouth

Types of Materials:

Interviews  
Sound recordings

Names:

Arp, Jean, 1887-1966  
Jean, Ada  
Masson, André, 1896-1987  
Ray, Man, 1890-1976  
Severini, Gino, 1883-1966  
Sánchez Cantón, F. J. (Francisco Javier), 1891-1971

Occupations:

Artists -- Interviews