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Oral history interview with Anni Albers

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Anni Albers
Date:	1968 July 5
Identifier:	AAA.albersa68
Creator:	Albers, Anni (Interviewee) Fesci, Sevim (Interviewer)
Extent:	20 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Digital Content: Oral history interview with Anni Albers, 1968 July 5, Transcript Audio: Oral history interview with Anni Albers, 1968 July 5, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives' 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 is available on the Archives of American Art's website.

Biographical / Historical

Anni Albers (1899-1994) was a weaver from New Haven, Connecticut.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Anni Albers conducted 1968 July 5, by Sevim Fesci, for the Archives of American Art, in New Haven, Connecticut.

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Albers speaks of her educational background; Paul Klee as a teacher; color in weaving; techniques and materials; Peruvian and European textiles; her "sound-absorbing" textile designed for the Bauhaus auditorium; and her weaving workshop at Black Mountain College. She reminisces about the Bauhaus in the 1920s.

General

Reformatted in 2010 as 2 digital wav files. Duration is 40 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Decorative arts
- Women artists
- Women authors
- Women educators
- Women printmakers
- Women textile artists

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Names:

- Bauhaus
- Klee, Paul, 1879-1940

Occupations:

- Art teachers -- Connecticut -- New Haven
- Authors -- Connecticut -- New Haven
- Printmakers -- Connecticut -- New Haven
- Weavers -- Connecticut -- New Haven