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Oral history interview with Laura Andreson

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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: 35mm microfilm reel 3196 available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

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## Biographical / Historical

Laura Andreson (1902-1999) was a ceramist of Los Angeles, California.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Laura Andreson conducted 1981 May 20, by Ruth Bowman, for the Archives of American Art.

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Andreson speaks of her youth in California, the decision to go to college and become a teacher, the impact of contracting tuberculosis on her life, the development of her work, her first exhibitions, her current work and research, her opinions of contemporary ceramics, and the relationship of art to her life.

## General

Originally recorded on 4 sound cassettes. Reformatted in 2010 as 7 digital wav files. Duration is 2 hrs., 42 min.

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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:

Ceramicists -- California -- Los Angeles -- Interviews  
Decorative arts  
Pottery -- 20th century -- California  
Women artists

Types of Materials:

Interviews  
Sound recordings