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Oral history interview with Peggy Bacon

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Peggy Bacon
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Creator:	Bacon, Peggy, 1895-1987 Cummings, Paul
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

These interviews are 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.

Restrictions

Transcript available on the Archives of American Art website.

Biographical / Historical

Peggy Bacon (1895-1987) was a printmaker from Cape Porpoise, Maine.

Scope and Contents

Interview of Peggy Bacon conducted 1973 May 8, by Paul Cummings, for the Archives of American Art, in Cape Porpoise, Maine. Bacon speaks of her family and educational background; summer art classes in Provincetown, Massachusetts and Woodstock, New York; the Art Students League; the Provincetown Players; working in black and white; her drawings, drypoints, etchings, and caricatures; her illustrated books including, "Off With Their Heads"; cats as subjects; and her husband Alexander Brook. She recalls George Bellows, Andrew Dasburg, Edith Gregor Halpert, Charles Webster Hawthorne, Jonas Lie, Kenneth Hayes Miller, and others.

General

Originally recorded on 2 sound tape reels. Reformatted in 2010 as 3 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 9 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Printmakers -- Interviews
Women artists

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Art Students League (New York, N.Y.)
Bellows, George, 1882-1925
Brook, Alexander, 1898-1980
Dasburg, Andrew, 1887-1979
Halpert, Edith Gregor, 1900-1970
Hawthorne, Charles Webster, 1872-1930
Lie, Jonas, 1880-1940
Miller, Kenneth Hayes, 1876-1952