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Oral history interview with Karl Benjamin

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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | Archives of American Art |
| Title: | Oral history interview with Karl Benjamin |
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| Identifier: | AAA.benjam81 |
| Creator: | Benjamin, Karl (Interviewee) Weiss, William L. (Interviewer) |
| Extent: | 61 Pages (Transcript) |
| Language: | English . |
| Digital Content: | Audio: Oral history interview with Karl Benjamin, 1981 September 10-12, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt) |

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

These interviews are 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.

Biographical / Historical

Karl Benjamin (1925-) is a painter from Claremont, California.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Karl Benjamin conducted 1981 September 10-12, by William Weiss, for the Archives of American Art.

Scope and Contents

Benjamin speaks of his background and education; the development of his work; artists and galleries he was associated with in Los Angeles; his personal philosophy of painting and teaching.

General

Originally recorded on 3 sound cassettes. Reformatted in 2010 as 5 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 30 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Educators -- California -- Interviews
Painters -- California -- Interviews
Painting, Modern -- 20th century -- California

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings