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Collection Overview

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Creator:	Bergman, Edwin Erens, Patricia, 1938- (Interviewer)
Extent:	2 Sound cassettes (Sound recording) 76 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

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Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Art collector; Chicago, Ill.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Edwin Bergman conducted by Patricia Erens.

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Bergman speaks of his family background and youth in Chicago; early philanthropic activities in Jewish organizations; beginning his art collection; other collectors he has been associated with; meeting Joseph Cornell, getting to know him and collecting his work; his philosophy of collecting; the Chicago Museum of Contemporary Art and its history; his service on the Museum's board of trustees; why, in his opinion, there are so many Jewish collectors in Chicago; his civic activities.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art -- Collectors and collecting -- Illinois -- Chicago -- Interviews
Art, Modern -- 20th century -- Illinois -- Chicago
Jewish art and symbolism

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Cornell, Joseph
Museum of Contemporary Art (Chicago, Ill.)