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## Oral history interview with John Berggruen

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## Collection Overview

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<b>Extent:</b>	3 Items (sound discs (1 hr., 49 min.); digital; 2 5/8 in.)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Audio: Oral history interview with John Berggruen, 2008 January 28-29, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)</a>

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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 administrators.

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## Biographical / Historical

John Berggruen (1943-) is an art dealer from San Francisco, California. Lynn Robert Matteson (1939-) is an art historian from Santa Barbara, California.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of John Berggruen conducted 2008 January 28-29, by Lynn Robert Matteson, for the Archives of American Art, at the John Berggruen Gallery, in San Francisco, California.

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## General

Originally recorded on 3 sound discs. Reformatted in 2010 as 4 digital wav files. Duration is 1 hr., 50 min.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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Interviews  
Sound recordings

Names:

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