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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Avis Berman research material on Juliana Force
Identifier:	AAA.bermavis4
Date:	circa 1930-2020
Creator:	Berman, Avis
Extent:	11.5 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated in 2020 by Avis Berman.

Restrictions

This collection is open for research. Access to original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C. Research Center.

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Biographical / Historical

Avis Berman (1949-) is an art historian in New York, N.Y. Berman wrote the book *Rebels on Eighth Street: Juliana Force and the Whitney Museum of American Art*, 1990.

Scope and Contents

Avis Berman research material on Juliana Force measures 11.5 linear feet and dates from circa 1930-2020. The papers document Berman's research for her book *Rebels on Eighth Street: Juliana Force and the*

Whitney Museum of American Art, 1990. Included are letters; notes; articles; interviews; photographs consisting of 93 original Rieser/Force family photographs, mid-19th century through 1940s, 88 contemporary and reproduction photographs, mid-1930s photograph album of 23 original, high quality professionally photographed images of "Cobweb," Force's cottage in Rosemary Lane, Haddenham, Bucks, England; printed material including clippings and 2 magazines with articles about Force and her decor -- Town & Country (1931) and Country Life (1937); audiovisual material including videos and cassette tapes; transcripts; administrative and sales records (Whitney Museum); manuscripts; and permissions.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Women art dealers
- Women art historians
- Women authors

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings
- Video recordings

Names:

- Force, Juliana, 1876-1948
- Whitney Museum of American Art

Occupations:

- Art critics -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Art dealers -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Art historians -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Authors -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Curators -- Illinois -- Chicago