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Oral history interview with Lou Block

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Lou Block
<b>Date:</b>	1965 May 31
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.blockl65
<b>Creator:</b>	Block, Lou, 1895-1969 (Interviewee) Phillips, Harlan B. (Harlan Buddington), 1920-1979 (Interviewer)
<b>Extent:</b>	56 Pages (Transcript)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Lou Block, 1965 May 31, Transcript</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Conducted as part of the Archives of American Art's New Deal and the Arts project, which includes over 400 interviews of artists, administrators, historians, and others involved with the federal government's art programs and the activities of the Farm Security Administration in the 1930s and early 1940s.

### Available Formats

Transcript is available on the Archives of American Art's website.

### Restrictions

This interview is open for research. Contact Reference Services for more information.

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## Biographical / Historical

Lou Block (1895-1969) was a muralist and art administrator.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Lou Block conducted 1965 May 31, by Harlan Phillips, for the Archives of American Art New Deal and the Arts Project.

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## General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 4 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 11 min.

## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Federal aid to the arts

Types of Materials:

Interviews

Sound recordings

Names:

La Guardia, Fiorello H. (Fiorello Henry), 1882-1947

McMahon, Audrey, 1900?-1981

New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project

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Rivera, Diego, 1886-1957

Shahn, Ben, 1898-1969

Occupations:

Arts administrators -- Interviews