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## Oral history interview with Ruth Braunstein

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## Collection Overview

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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.

### Available Formats

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

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## Biographical / Historical

Ruth Braunstein (1923- ) is an art dealer and lives and works in San Francisco, California. Braunstein founded Braunstein/Quay Gallery in 1961.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Ruth Braunstein conducted 2009 August 10, by Jo Lauria, for the Archives of American Art, at Braunstein's home, in San Francisco, California.

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## General

Originally recorded on 4 sound discs. Reformatted in 2010 as 11 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 25 min.

## Names and Subject Terms

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

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Women art dealers

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Sound recordings

Occupations:

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