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Oral history interview with Herbert J. Brown

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Herbert J. Brown
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<b>Creator:</b>	Brown, Herbert J. (Interviewee) Swift, Geoffrey (Interviewer) New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project
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<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Audio: Oral history interview with Herbert J. Brown, 1965 November 29, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)</a> <a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Herbert J. Brown, 1965 November 29, 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

Herbert J. Brown was an art administrator from Natick, Massachusetts. Assistant State Director for Federal Art Project, Massachusetts.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Herbert J. Brown conducted 1965 November 29, by Geoffrey Swift, for the Archives of American Art. Brown speaks of his background in music, duties in the Federal Art Project of Massachusetts, artists and their works associated with the Project, the Index of American Design, and government support of artists.

## General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 1 digital wav file. Duration is 47 min.

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## 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:

Federal art project (Mass.)

New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project

### Occupations:

Arts administrators -- Massachusetts -- Natick -- Interviews