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Oral history interview with Wilbur Herbert Burnham

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Wilbur Herbert Burnham
Identifier:	AAA.burnha81
Date:	1981 September 11
Creator:	Burnham, Wilbur Herbert, Jr., 1913-1984 (Interviewee) Brown, Robert F. (Interviewer)
Extent:	46 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Audio: Oral history interview with Wilbur Herbert Burnham, 1981 September 11, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives' 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 others.

Restrictions

This transcript is open for research. Access to the entire recording is restricted. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Wilbur Herbert Burnham (1913-1984) was a stained glass artist from Wakefield, Massachusetts.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Wilbur Herbert Burnham conducted 1981 September 11, by Robert Brown, for the Archives of American Art.

Scope and Contents

Burnham speaks of training under his father; education at Yale Art School in drawing and painting; principal jobs; and characterizations of clients, architects, teachers, and fellow stained glass designers.

General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 2 digital wav files. Duration is 2 hr., 2 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Decorative arts
- Glass painting and staining -- United States

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Occupations:

- Stained glass artists -- Massachusetts -- Wakefield -- Interviews