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Biographical / Historical

Architect, educator.

Scope and Contents

Transcript of an interview with Serge Chermayeff conducted May 23-24, 1985 by Betty J. Blum at Chermayeff's home in Wellfleet, Mass. The interview was conducted for the Chicago Architects Oral History Project, under the auspices of the Art Institute of Chicago's Department of Architecture. Included with the transcript is a preface, index, and selected bibliography. The focus of the interview is Chermayeff's tenure (1946-1951) as president and director of the Institute of Design (formerly New Bauhaus) in Chicago.

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