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Oral history interview with John Clancy

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with John Clancy
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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 others.

Biographical / Historical

John C. Clancy (1897-1981) was the director of the Rehn Gallery in New York, New York.

Scope and Contents

Interview of John Clancy conducted 1970 July 10, by Paul Cummings, for the Archives of American Art. Clancy speaks of Frank K. M. Rehn and his background; the beginnings of the Rehn Gallery; his own background; joining the gallery and working for Frank Rehn; artists associated with the gallery; the effect of the Depression on the gallery; how artists and works of art were selected; reasons for the success of the Rehn Gallery; the gallery's future. He recalls Edward Hopper, Charles Burchfield, and Franklin Watkins.

General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 2 digital wav files. Duration is 1 hr., 16 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art, American
Depressions -- 1929

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Burchfield, Charles Ephraim, 1893-1967
Frank K. M. Rehn Galleries
Hopper, Edward, 1882-1967
Rehn, Frank Knox Morton, 1848-1914
Watkins, Franklin Chenault, 1894-1972

Occupations:

Gallery directors -- New York (State) -- New York