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Oral history interview with Helen Bess
Clarke and James Mitchell Clarke

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview 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.

Biographical / Historical

Helen Bess Clarke (1904-) was an educator and James Mitchell Clarke (1903-1976) was a writer and they lived in San Diego, California.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Helen Bess Clarke and James Mitchell Clarke conducted 1964 June 24, by Betty Hoag, for the Archives of American Art New Deal and the Arts Project.

Scope and Contents

The Clarkes reminisce about their work for the Curriculum Project during the Works Progress Administration.

General

Originally recorded on 2 sound tape reels. Reformatted in 2010 as 1 digital wav file. Duration is 32 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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