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Contemporary Arts Museum records

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Collection Overview

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| Repository: | Archives of American Art |
| Title: | Contemporary Arts Museum records |
| Date: | 1957-1972 |
| Identifier: | AAA.contamur |
| Creator: | Contemporary Arts Museum Contemporary Arts Association (Houston, Tex.) |
| Extent: | 5 Microfilm reels |
| Language: | English . |

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Lent for microfilming 1980 by F. Carrington Weems, former chairman of the board of trustees.

Acquisition Information

Microfilmed as part of the Archives of American Art's Texas project.

Location of Originals

Originals returned to the lender, F. Carrington Weems, after microfilming.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 1848-1852 available for use through interlibrary loan.

Restrictions

The Archives of American art does not own the original papers. Use is limited to the microfilm copy.

Biographical / Historical

Art museum; Houston, Tex. Opened Nov. 13, 1949 under the auspices of the Contemporary Arts Association, which had begun as a small group in May 1948, and officially organized in May 1949.

Scope and Contents

Minutes of Board of Directors meetings and financial statements, 1963-1970; membership lists; committee reports; memorandum; correspondence, mainly relating to searches for a new director, 1964-1966, and plans for construction of a new building, 1965-1969; and statements by Board members concerning the Museum's activities, 1957. Also included are histories of the museum; exhibition catalogs; newsletters; clippings about the museum's development; and photos of the new building, 1972.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art, Modern -- 20th century -- United States

Occupations:

Museum directors -- Texas -- Houston

Functions:

Art museums -- Texas