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Oral history interview with Kathleen Curry relating to John Steuart Curry

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Kathleen Curry relating to John Steuart Curry
Date:	1990 and 1992
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Creator:	Curry, Kathleen, 1899- (Interviewee) Brown, Robert F. (Interviewer)
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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

These interviews are 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 administrators.

Biographical / Historical

Kathleen Curry (1899-) is the wife of regionalist painter John Steuart Curry.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Kathleen Curry regarding John Steuart Curry, conducted on 1990 and 1992, by Robert F. Brown, for the Archives of American Art.

Scope and Contents

Curry discusses her childhood; meeting John Steuart Curry and their subsequent marriage; their friends; his work; his temperament; their relationship; moving to Wisconsin where he became the artist in residence in the School of Agriculture at the University of Wisconsin; his major mural projects; Laurence Schmeckebier's writing of "John Steuart Curry's Pageant of America"; J. S. Curry's death and the hardships that followed.

General

Originally recorded on 3 sound cassettes. Reformatted in 2010 as 5 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 19 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Mural painting and decoration
- Regionalism

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Names:

- Curry, John Steuart, 1897-1946

Occupations:

- Muralists -- Kansas
- Painters -- Kansas