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## Oral history interview with Edouard Du Buron

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Edouard Du Buron
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.duburo93
<b>Date:</b>	1993 March 9-May 13
<b>Creator:</b>	Du Buron, Edouard, 1905-1996 (Interviewee) Brown, Robert F. (Interviewer)
<b>Extent:</b>	4 Items (sound cassettes (5 hr., 33 min.); analog.) 106 Pages (Transcript)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Edouard Du Buron, 1993 March 9-May 13, Transcript</a> <a href="#">Audio: Oral history interview with Edouard Du Buron, 1993 March 9-May 13, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)</a>

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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 administrators.

### Available Formats

Transcript is available on the Archives of American Art's website.

### Restrictions

This transcript is open for research. Access to the entire audio recording is restricted. Contact Reference Services for more information.

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## Biographical / Historical

Edouard Du Buron (1905-1996) was a dancer and later an art gallery and museum director from Brockton, Massachusetts. Du Buron died in 1996 before the completion of the interview and discussion of his work as a gallery and museum director.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview with Edouard Du Buron conducted 1993 March 9-May 13, by Robert Brown, for the Archives of American Art.

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Du Buron discusses his childhood in Worcester, Massachusetts in a poor family with an abusive father and his rearing in various Catholic orphanages; his loss of religion in his youth and growing up as a French-Canadian in New England; his career as a solo dancer in Boston (1925-32) and as a member of the Ruth St. Denis Troupe (1932-38); his dance career in New York City in the late 1930s and his job as a display designer at Filene's department store in Boston (1942-45).

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## General

Originally recorded on 4 sound cassettes. Reformatted in 2010 as 16 digital wav file. Duration is 5 hr., 33 min.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

### Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

### Names:

- St. Denis, Ruth, 1880-1968

### Occupations:

- Dancers -- Interviews