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Howard Finster papers

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Howard Finster papers
Date:	1932-1987
Identifier:	AAA.finshowa
Creator:	Finster, Howard, 1916-2001
Extent:	3 Linear feet ((on 3 microfilm reels))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Material on reels 4033-4034 lent for microfilming 1988 by Howard Finster; material on reel 4211 lent for microfilming 1989 by Jeffrey T. Camp.

Location of Originals

Reels 4033-4034: Originals in possession of Reverend Howard Finster.

Location of Originals

Reel 4211: Originals in the possession of Jeffrey T. Camp, Finster's first dealer.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 4033-4034 available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

Restrictions

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

Biographical / Historical

Self-taught visionary artist; Georgia.

Scope and Contents

Reels 4033-4034: Correspondence; writings; printed material; photographs; financial material; and works of art, including stencils, drawings, prints and 'fiber art' by Finster.

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Reel 4211: Annotated Polaroid photographs of Finsters' paintings and sculpture, ca. 1977-1980; prints and drawings; "thought cards," "true storys [sic]," poems, song lyrics and other writings by Finster; photographs of his environment, "Paradise Garden," and other works of art.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Occupations:

Self-taught artists -- Georgia