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Oral history interview with Alfred Victor Frankenstein

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Alfred Victor Frankenstein
Date:	1978-1979
Identifier:	AAA.franke78
Creator:	Frankenstein, Alfred V. (Alfred Victor), 1906-1981 (Interviewee) Karlstrom, Paul J. (Interviewer)
Extent:	3 Sound tape reels (Sound recording; 5 in.) 88 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Audio: Oral history interview with Alfred Victor Frankenstein, 1978-1979, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives' 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 others.

Biographical / Historical

Alfred Victor Frankenstein (1906-1981) was an art critic and art historian from San Francisco, Calif.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Alfred Victor Frankenstein conducted in 1978-1979, by Paul Karlstrom, for the Archives of American Art. Frankenstein discusses his family, education, early interest in music and his position in the music department at the University of Chicago, his move to San Francisco and career as art and music critic for the SAN FRANCISCO CHRONICLE.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art, American

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Occupations:

Art critics -- California -- San Francisco -- Interviews
Art historians -- California -- San Francisco -- Interviews