

Interview with Hugo Gellert

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Collection Overview

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Buhle, Paul, 1944- (Interviewer)

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1987 by Paul Buhle.

Location of Originals

Original tape is owned by Paul Buhle.

Reproduction Note

Item is a transcript.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Hugo Gellert (1892-1985), a painter, illustrator, and muralist, was a political artist based in New York, N.Y..

Scope and Contents

A transcript of an interview with Hugo Gellert conducted 1984 Apr. 4 by Paul Buhle. Gellert speaks of his political cartoons and illustrations for New Masses, The New Yorker, The New York World, Elore, and other publications; his travels to Paris and Hungary; organizing Artists for Victory; the destruction of the Diego Rivera mural at Rockefeller Center and the subsequent artists' protest; his mural paintings; and his political activities.

He recalls the editors and artists associated with The Masses including Max Eastman, Floyd Dell, Michael Gold, John Reed and Art Young.

Names and Subject Terms

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Dell, Floyd, 1887-1969 Eastman, Max, 1883-1969 Gold, Michael Reed, John, 1887-1920 Young, Art, 1866-1943