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A Finding Aid to Imogen Cunningham Letters to Hella Hammid, 1956-1972, in the Archives of American Art

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Imogen Cunningham letters to Hella Hammid
Date:	1956-1972
Identifier:	AAA.hammihel
Creator:	Hammid, Hella, 1921- Cunningham, Imogen, 1883-1976
Extent:	0.01 Linear feet
Language:	English .
Summary:	Seventeen letters from Imogen Cunningham to Hella Hammid, 1956- 1972. Also included is a photograph of Cunningham by Alma Lavenson, 1955, and several photographs and negative strips of Cunningham, possible taken by Hammid, 1965.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated in 2022 by Julia Hammid, Hella Hammid's daughter.

Related Materials

The Archives of American Art also holds the papers of Imogen Cunningham.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Ryan Evans in 2022.

Preferred Citation

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Restrictions

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Biographical / Historical

Hella Hammid (1921-1992) was a German-American photographer in Los Angeles, California. Hammid was friends with photographer Imogen Cunningham (1883-1976).

Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

Due to its small size the collection is arranged in one series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Women artists
Women photographers

Names:

Lavenson, Alma, 1897-1989

Occupations:

Photographers -- California -- Los Angeles

Container Listing

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Folder 1 Imogen Cunningham Letters to Hella Hammid, 1956-1972

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