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## Oral history interview with Otto and Vivika Heino

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Otto and Vivika Heino
<b>Date:</b>	1981 Mar. 4
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.heino81
<b>Creator:</b>	Heino, Otto, 1915-2009 (Interviewee) Levin, Elaine (Interviewer) Heino, Vivika, 1910-1995 (Interviewee)
<b>Extent:</b>	4 Sound cassettes (Sound recording) 85 Pages (Transcript) 1 Item (Audio excerpt: 1 sound file (4 min. 52 sec.); digital)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Otto and Vivika Heino, 1981 Mar. 4, Transcript</a> <a href="#">Audio: Oral history interview with Otto and Vivika Heino, 1981 Mar. 4, 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 others.

### Restrictions

Transcript available on the Archives of American Art website.

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## Biographical / Historical

Otto (1915-2009) and Vivika Heino (1910-1995) were ceramists of Ojai, Calif.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Otto and Vivika Heino conducted 1981 Mar. 4, by Elaine Levin, at their home in Ojai, Calif., for the Archives of American Art.

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The Heinos speak of their backgrounds and education; his early interest in pottery, hers in puppetry and other crafts; their careers as potters and work they have done separately and collaboratively; and the current status of pottery and of people involved in it.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Ceramicists -- California -- Interviews  
Ceramics

Types of Materials:

Interviews  
Sound recordings