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## Oral history interview with Eleanor Hershey

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## Collection Overview

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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.

### Available Formats

Transcript is available on the Archives of American Art's website.

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## Biographical / Historical

Eleanor Hershey (1908-1993) was the wife of Samuel F. Hershey, noted arts administrator from Providence, R.I. and Berkeley, Calif.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview with Eleanor Hershey conducted 1990 Apr. 10, by Robert F. Brown, for the Archives of American Art.

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Hershey speaks of growing up in Rockport, Mass.; her recollections of the many artists she knew there, from the 1920s onward; the quality of art done by Rockport artists; the role of the Rockport Art Association; and her husband's career and colleagues at the Rhode Island School of Design.

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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:

- Art, American
- Arts administrators -- Massachusetts -- Interviews
- Educators -- Massachusetts -- Interviews

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Names:

- Hershey, Samuel Franklin, 1904-1987
- Rhode Island School of Design
- Rockport Art Association