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Oral history interview with Lowell Houser

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Lowell Houser
Date:	1964 July 31
Identifier:	AAA.houser64
Creator:	Houser, Lowell, 1902-1971 (Interviewee) McGlynn, Betty Hoag (Interviewer) New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project
Extent:	1 Sound tape reel (Sound recording; 5 in.) 7 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Digital Content: Oral history interview with Lowell Houser, 1964 July 31, Transcript

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Conducted as part of the Archives of American Art's New Deal and the Arts project, which includes over 400 interviews of artists, administrators, historians, and others involved with the federal government's art programs and the activities of the Farm Security Administration in the 1930s and early 1940s.

Available Formats

Transcript available on line at <http://www.aaa.si.edu/collections/oralhistories/transcripts/houser64.htm>

Restrictions

Transcript available on the Archives of American Art website.

Biographical / Historical

Painter, mural painter; Des Moines, Iowa; d. 1971.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Lowell Houser conducted by Betty Hoag, on 1964 July 31, for the Archives of American Art.

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Interview conducted in San Diego, Calif. Houser speaks of his background; his art education; the influence of the Mexican muralists on his art; his involvement with the Federal Art Project working on murals at Iowa State College, a post office in Ames, Iowa, and other places; and his choices of subject matter for murals.

General

An interview of Belle Baranceanu and Hilda Preibisius conducted by B. Hoag is also on this tape.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Federal aid to the arts
- Mural painting and decoration -- Iowa
- Muralists -- Iowa -- Interviews
- Painters -- Iowa -- Interviews

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Names:

- New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project