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Oral history interview with Anna Belle Illien

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives' 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.

Biographical / Historical

Anna Belle Illien is an art dealer from Atlanta, Ga.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Anna Belle Illien conducted 1985 Sept. 27, by Liza Kirwin, for the Archives of American Art.

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Illien speaks of the history of the Gallerie Illien in Atlanta; her commitment to show Georgia painters and sculptors; Judith Alexander as an "innovator and educator" in the Atlanta gallery movement; and sales and rentals of art works to interior designers and architects. She discusses the state art programs that she began, including the Georgia "art bus", the "Art for Urban Walls" mural project in Atlanta, and art for MARTA (Atlanta's transit system).

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art -- Georgia -- Atlanta

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Alexander, Judith

Occupations:

Art dealers -- Georgia -- Atlanta