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## Oral history interview with William Ivey

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with William Ivey
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<b>Date:</b>	1983 May 24-31
<b>Creator:</b>	Ivey, William, 1919-1992 (Interviewee) Johns, Barbara (Interviewer)
<b>Extent:</b>	6 Sound cassettes (Sound recording) 75 Pages (Transcript)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with William Ivey, 1983 May 24-31, Transcript</a> <a href="#">Audio: Oral history interview with William Ivey, 1983 May 24-31, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives' Northwest Oral History Project, begun in 1982 to document the Northwest artistic community through interviews with painters, sculptors, craftsmen, educators, curators, and others, in Oregon, Washington and Montana.

### Location of Originals

Transcript also available at the University of Washington, Manuscripts Collection, and at the Oregon Historical Society.

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## Biographical / Historical

William Ivey (1919-1992) was a painter from Seattle, Wash.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of William Ivey conducted 1983 May 24-31, by Barbara Johns, for the Archives of American Art's Northwest Oral History Project,

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This interview took place at the artist's studio in Seattle, Wash. Ivey speaks of his family background and education, including law school; studying at the California School of Fine Arts; studying under Clyfford Still

and Mark Rothko; working at the Seattle Art Museum and the Henry Gallery; working as artist-in-residence at Reed College; founding the Artists' Gallery (Seattle, Wash.); exhibiting at the Whitney Museum of American Art, Gallery Arnaud in Paris and the Seattle Art Museum; collectors of his work; his methods and style; the current art scene; and his future plans. He recalls Ward Corley, Louis Bunce, Richard Gilkey and others.

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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 -- Northwestern States
- Art, Modern -- Northwestern States
- Artists -- Northwestern States -- Interviews
- Painters -- Washington (State) -- Seattle -- Interviews

### Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

### Names:

- Bunce, Louis, 1907-1983
- Corley, Ward
- Gilkey, Richard C. (Richard Charles), 1925-
- Rothko, Mark, 1903-1970
- Still, Clyfford, 1904-1980