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Oral history interview with Ida Kohlmeyer

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Ida Kohlmeyer
Identifier:	AAA.kohlme89
Date:	1989 May 17-20
Creator:	Kohlmeyer, Ida, 1912-1997 (Interviewee) Berman, Avis (Interviewer)
Extent:	177 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .
Digital Content:	Audio: Oral history interview with Ida Kohlmeyer, 1989 May 17-20, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)

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. Funding for this interview provided by the Lannan Foundation.

Restrictions

For information on how to access this interview contact Reference Services.

Biographical / Historical

Ida Kohlmeyer (1912-1997) was a painter from New Orleans, La.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Ida Kohlmeyer conducted 1989 May 17-20, by Avis Berman, for the Archives of American Art.

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Kohlmeyer discusses how she became an artist, her training, her marriage, the New Orleans art scene, her teaching and students, her work in sculpture, and the "Clusters and Circus" series. She recalls Pat Trivigno, Mark Rothko, Hans Hofmann, Clyfford Still, James Johnson Sweeney, Luba Glade, and Ruth White.

General

Originally recorded on 4 sound cassettes. Reformatted in 2010 as 8 digital wav files. Duration is 6 hr.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Art, American
- Women artists
- Women educators
- Women painters
- Women sculptors

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Names:

- Glade, Luba B.
- Hofmann, Hans, 1880-1966
- Rothko, Mark, 1903-1970
- Still, Clyfford, 1904-1980
- Sweeney, James Johnson, 1900-
- Trivigno, Pat, 1922-
- White , Ruth

Occupations:

- Educators -- Louisiana -- New Orleans
- Painters -- Louisiana -- New Orleans
- Sculptors -- Louisiana -- New Orleans