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Oral history interview with Vera List

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Vera List
<b>Date:</b>	1973 Jan. 9
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<b>Creator:</b>	List, Vera (Interviewee) Cummings, Paul (Interviewer)
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<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Vera List, 1973 Jan. 9, Transcript</a>

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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.

### Restrictions

Transcript available on the Archives of American Art website.

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## Biographical / Historical

Vera List Patron (1908-2002) was a collector from Byram, Conn.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Vera List conducted 1973 Jan. 9, by Paul Cummings, for the Archives of American Art. List speaks of her early life and family; her family's interests in art; her marriage to Albert List; living in Cleveland, New York, and Connecticut; starting her collection of paintings and sculpture; her purchases of works by young artists; and the personal and emotional reasons for collecting. She discusses her affiliation with the Jewish Museum, Lincoln Center, the Museum of Modern Art, and the Whitney Museum, and she recalls Alan Solomon, George Segal, and Albert A. List.

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## General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 2 digital wav files. Duration is 1 hrs., 22 min.

## Names and Subject Terms

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

### Subjects:

- Art -- Collectors and collecting -- Interviews
- Art patrons -- Interviews
- Art, American -- Collectors and collecting -- Interviews

### Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

### Names:

- Jewish Museum (New York, N.Y.)
- Lincoln Center for the Performing Arts
- List, Albert A.
- Museum of Modern Art (New York, N.Y.)
- Segal, George, 1924-2000
- Solomon, Alan R., 1920-1970
- Whitney Museum of American Art