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Oral history interview with Martha Longenecker

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives of American Art 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 administrators.

Available Formats

Transcript is available on the Archives of American Art's website.

Biographical / Historical

Martha Longenecker (1920- 2013) was an artist and founder of Mingei International Museum of World Folk Art in La Jolla, California. Jo Lauria (1954-) is an independent curator and arts writer in Sherman Oaks, California.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Martha Longenecker conducted 2008 July 29, by Jo Lauria, for the Archives of American Art's Nanette L. Laitman Documentation Project for Craft and Decorative Arts in America, at Longenecker's home and studio, in La Jolla, California.

General

Originally recorded on 3 SD memory cards. Reformatted in 2010 as 4 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 12 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Ceramicists -- California -- Interviews
- Educators -- California -- Interviews
- Museum directors -- California -- Interviews
- Women artists
- Women authors
- Women museum curators

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