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Ethel Magafan photograph and printed material

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Ethel Magafan photograph and printed material
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.magaethe
<b>Date:</b>	1950-1982
<b>Creator:</b>	Magafan, Ethel, 1915 or 6-1993 United States. Dept. of the Treasury. Section of Fine Arts
<b>Extent:</b>	54 Items ((on 2 microfilm reels))
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Material on reel NDA 14 lent for microfilming 1964, material on reel 3134 donated 1982 all by Ethel Magafan.

### Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 3134 & NDA 14 available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

### Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Microfilmed materials must be consulted on microfilm. Contact Reference Services for more information.

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## Biographical / Historical

Ethel Magafan (1915 or 6-1993) was a mural and landscape painter from Colorado. Painted murals for the WPA. Jenne Magafan was her twin sister.

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## Scope and Contents

Photographs and printed materials relating to Magafan's painting career.

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Reel 3134: Photograph, ca. 1950, of Ethel and Jenne Magafan taken by Konrad Cramer; and printed material, 1952-1982, including exhibition catalogs, announcements, a poster, and a newsletter.

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Reel NDA 14: Invitations and notifications of various competitions for the Section of Fine Arts, included are photographs, specifications of areas to be decorated, and correspondence particularly from Edward Rowan.

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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 and state
- Federal aid to the arts
- Mural painting and decoration, American
- New Deal, 1933-1939
- Women artists

### Names:

- Magafan, Jenne, 1916-1952
- Rowan, Edward Beatty, 1898-1946

### Occupations:

- Painters

### Places:

- United States -- Economic conditions -- 1918-1945