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Ben Messick papers

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Ben Messick papers
Date:	1934-1965
Identifier:	AAA.messbenj
Creator:	Messick, Benjamin Newton, 1901-1981
Extent:	0.4 Linear feet ((on 2 microfilm reels))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Material on reel 1 donated 1962 by Ben Messick; material on reel LA9 lent for microfilming 1965 by Messick.

Location of Originals

Reel LA 9: Originals returned to Ben Messick after microfilming.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reels 1 and LA 9 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.

Biographical / Historical

Painter, instructor; Long Beach, California. Full name Benjamin Newton Messick.

Scope and Contents

Scrapbooks; photographs; and publications.

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REEL 1: Scrapbook of newspaper and other clippings; 60 photographs, ca. 1940's-1960, of Messick, his paintings and Messick instructing at the Chouninard Art Institute, Los Angeles, CA.; and 39 publications containing articles about him or advertising his appearances or classes.

Scope and Contents

REEL LA 9: Scrapbook, 1934-1965, including clippings, publicity, and illustrations.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Painting, American

Names:

Chouinard Art Institute (Los Angeles, Calif.)

Occupations:

Art teachers -- California -- Los Angeles

Painters -- California