

Summary of oral history interview with Lewis Mumford

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## **Collection Overview**

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Summary of oral history interview with Lewis Mumford
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Creator:	Mumford, Lewis, 1895-1990 (Interviewee) Rubenstein, Lewis W. (Lewis William), 1908-2003 (Interviewer) Rubenstein, Erica Beckh, 1914-2014 (Interviewer)
Extent:	8 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .

## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

The interview was conducted as part of the Archives of American Art's New Deal and the Arts project, which includes over 400 interviews of artists, administrators, historians, and others involved with the federal government's art programs and the activities of the Farm Security Administration in the 1930s and early 1940s. It is unclear why no actual transcript or tape exists for the interview; Mumford may have not wanted to be recorded.

#### Location of Originals

Existence or location of original tape unknown.

#### Restrictions

Use requires an appointment.

# **Biographical / Historical**

Lewis Mumford (1895-1990) was an art administrator for the WPA in New York, New York.

# **Scope and Contents**

A summary of an interview of Lewis Mumford conducted 1964 December 7, by Lewis and Erica Rubenstein, for the Archives of American Art.

### Names and Subject Terms

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

### Subjects:

Arts administrators -- New York (State) -- New York -- Interviews Federal aid to the arts

#### Types of Materials:

Interviews

#### Names:

New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project