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Oral history interview with Benjamin Patterson

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

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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.

Biographical / Historical

Benjamin Patterson (1934-) is a Fluxus artist and musician who lives and works in Germany and New York, New York. Patterson was educated at the University of Michigan and plays the double-bass.

Scope and Contents

An interview with Benjamin Patterson conducted 2009 May 22, by Kathy Goncharov, for the Archives of American Art, at the Patterson's home, in New York, New York.

General

Originally recorded on 2 sound discs. Reformatted in 2010 as 5 digital wav files. Duration is 3 hr., 5 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Assemblage artists -- New York (State) -- New York -- Interviews
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