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## Oral history interview with Suellen Rocca

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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.

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## Biographical / Historical

Suellen Rocca (1943-2020) was an artist, curator, and educator in Romeoville, Illinois. Interviewee Lanny Silverman (1947- ) is a curator at the Chicago Cultural Center in Chicago, Illinois.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview with Suellen Rocca conducted 2015 November 5-6, by Lanny Silverman, for the Archives of American Art's Chicago Art and Artists: Oral History Project, at Elmhurst College in Elmhurst, Illinois.

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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, American -- Illinois -- Chicago
- Women artists
- Women educators
- Women museum curators

Women painters  
Women sculptors

Types of Materials:

Interviews  
Sound recordings

Names:

Chicago Art and Artists: Oral History Project  
Chicago's Art-Related Archival Materials: A Terra Foundation Resource

Occupations:

Art museum curators -- Illinois -- Chicago  
Educators -- Illinois -- Chicago  
Painters -- Illinois -- Chicago  
Sculptors -- Illinois -- Chicago