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Oral history interview with Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Oral history interview with Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller
Date:	1972 July 24
Identifier:	AAA.rockef72
Creator:	Rockefeller, Nelson A. (Nelson Aldrich), 1908-1979 (Interviewee) Cummings, Paul (Interviewer)
Extent:	12 Pages (Transcript)
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives' 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 others.

Biographical / Historical

Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller (1908-1979) was a collector, patron, governor of New York, and U.S. Vice-President under Gerald Ford.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Nelson Aldrich Rockefeller conducted 1972 July 24, by Paul Cummings, for the Archives of American Art. Rockefeller speaks of his family's art collection, and the influence of growing up surrounded by art; his interest in architecture; his involvement with the Museum of Modern Art and the Metropolitan Museum of Art; the development of his own collection; his methods for collecting.

General

Originally recorded on 2 sound tape reels. Reformatted in 2010 as 1 digital wav file. Duration is 49 min.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art -- Collectors and collecting -- New York (State) -- Interviews
Art patronage
Art patrons -- New York (State) -- New York -- Interviews

Types of Materials:

Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Metropolitan Museum of Art (New York, N.Y.)
Museum of Modern Art (New York, N.Y.)