

John Shown papers

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#### **Collection Overview**

**Repository:** Archives of American Art

Title: John Shown papers

**Date:** 1937-1984

Identifier: AAA.showjohn

Creator: Shown, John, 1937-

**Extent:** 2 Items (partial microfilm reels)

Language: English .

#### Administrative Information

#### **Acquisition Information**

Microfilmed as part of the Archives of American Art's Texas project.

#### **Acquisition Information**

Lent for microfilming 1984 by John Shown.

#### **Available Formats**

35mm microfilm reels 3257-3258 available for use only at the Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, and through interlibrary loan.

#### Restrictions

The Archives of American art does not own the original papers. Use is limited to the microfilm copy.

### **Biographical / Historical**

Collage artist, set designer; San Antonio, Tex.

### Scope and Contents

Biographical material, including a birth certificate and a resume; correspondence, 1973-1984 including mail art; 2 journals, 1982-1983 and 1983-1984, containing notes, printed material and mail art; 4 subject files, undated and 1978-1983, entitled: Creative New Yorkers, House Portraits, Intergalactic Communication Show, and Shown-Davenport Gallery, containing correspondence, printed material and contracts; exhibition announcements and catalogs, clippings, and publications containing Shown's illustrations; 4 scrapbooks, 1978-1983, containing printed material and photographs, including those relating to Shown's set designs and one-man shows; photographs of Shown, his family and his works of art; and 3 sketches.

## Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art, American Mail art

Occupations:

Set designers -- Texas -- San Antonio