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Oral history interview with Gordon M. Smith

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Collection Overview

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Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

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.

Biographical / Historical

Gordon M. Smith (1906-1979) was a museum director in Boston, Massachusetts. Was assistant regional director of Index of American Design for New England.

Scope and Contents

An interview of Gordon M. Smith conducted circa 1964, by Harlan Phillips, for the Archives of American Art.

Scope and Contents

Discusses the Index of American Design in New England and his role in it.

General

Originally recorded 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 1 digital wav file. Duration is 1 hr., 6 min.

General

Sound quality is poor.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Arts administrators -- Massachusetts -- Interviews
- Federal aid to the arts
- Museum directors -- Massachusetts -- Boston -- Interviews

Types of Materials:

- Interviews
- Sound recordings

Names:

- Index of American Design
- New Deal and the Arts Oral History Project