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Robert Smithson letters to
George B. Lester [microfilm]

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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Robert Smithson letters to George B. Lester [microfilm]
Date:	1960-1963
Identifier:	AAA.smitrobe2
Creator:	Smithson, Robert
Extent:	21 Items ((microfilmed on partial reel))
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated 1987 by George Lester.

Location of Originals

Originals in the possession of George Lester.

Available Formats

35mm microfilm reel 5438 (fr. 1233-1397) available at Archives of American Art offices and through interlibrary loan.

Reproduction Note

All photocopies.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Microfilmed materials must be consulted on microfilm. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Smithson was a sculptor, painter, New York, N.Y. Born 1938. Died 1973.

Scope and Contents

Photocopies of letters to George Lester, owner of the George Lester Gallery in Rome, Italy. Smithson discusses paintings and other work he is sending to the gallery, art related news and other topics. Two of the letters are illustrated. Enclosures include one unsigned poem, a short biography of Smithson, lists of Smithson's paintings, and photographs taken in a photo booth of Smithson and his wife Nancy Holt.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Painting, Modern -- 20th century

Names:

George Lester Gallery (Rome, Italy)
Lester, George B.

Occupations:

Gallery owners -- Italy -- Rome
Painters -- New York (State) -- New York