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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	George Spaventa papers
Date:	1944-1980
Identifier:	AAA.spavgeor
Creator:	Spaventa, George, 1918-
Extent:	0.21 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated in 1978 and 1980 by Lillian Sannasardo, is Spaventa's sister. Two sketchbooks donated anonymously in 2022.

Restrictions

This collection is open for research. Access to original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C. Research Center.

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Biographical / Historical

George Spaventa (1918-1978) was a sculptor and instructor in New York, N.Y.

Scope and Contents

The George Spaventa papers measure 0.21 linear feet and date from circa 1944-1980. Included are business letters; 52 sketches in ink, ink-wash, and pentel and two sketchbooks dated 1972 and 1974; photographs of Spaventa's work and of him with his family and friends; Spaventa's notes about his dreams; an essay by Frank O'Hara; financial statements and invoices; printed material including catalogs, announcements, and clippings; and miscellany.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Types of Materials:

Sketchbooks

Occupations:

Art teachers -- New York (State) -- New York

Sculptors -- New York (State) -- New York