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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Theodoros Stamos letters to Diran Deckmejian
Identifier:	AAA.stamtheo2
Date:	1977-1995
Extent:	45 Items
Creator:	Stamos, Theodoros, 1922-1997
Language:	English

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Donated in 2008 by Diran Deckmejian, a former student of Stamos' at the Art Students League in New York .

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Theodoros Stamos, Abstract Expressionist Painter; NY and Greece, 1922-1997; Diran Deckmejian, Painter, Photographer and former student of Stamos at the Art Students League.

Scope and Contents

45 Handwritten letters from Stamos to Diran Deckmejian mailed from Lefkada, Greece and Cologne, Germany. The letters chart Stamos' artistic career after he left the United States, particularly his gallery exhibitions in Germany and Greece. Early correspondence reference Stamos' on-going legal battle with the Rothko estate.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Names:

Deckmejian, Diran

Occupations:

Painters -- New York (State) -- New York