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Oral history interview with Henry Strater

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Henry Strater
<b>Date:</b>	1971 October 8
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.strate71
<b>Creator:</b>	Strater, Henry, 1896- (Interviewee) Brown, Robert F. (Interviewer)
<b>Extent:</b>	1 Sound tape reel (Sound recording; 5 in.) 23 Pages (Transcript)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Henry Strater, 1971 October 8, Transcript</a> <a href="#">Audio: Oral history interview with Henry Strater, 1971 October 8, Digital Sound Recording (Excerpt)</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

This interview is part of the Archives of American Art Oral History Program, started in 1958 to document the history of the visual arts in the United States, primarily through interviews with artists, historians, dealers, critics and others.

### Available Formats

Transcript is available on the Archives of American Art's website.

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## Biographical / Historical

Henry Strater (1896-1987) was a painter from Ogunquit, Maine.

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## Scope and Contents

An interview of Henry Strater conducted 1971 October 8, by Robert F. Brown, for the Archives of American Art.

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Strater reminisces about his early life in Kentucky and his studies. He recalls newspaper experience, travel, and service with the American Red Cross in World War I and the Navy in World War II. He describes the Academie Julien and the Art Students League, as well as the Ogunquit Summer ArtSchool. Strater speaks

about his own work, and the exhibitions and galleries that have marked his career. Strater also recalls Ernest Hemingway, Scott Fitzgerald, Ezra Pound, Kuniyoshi, and others.

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## General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 2 digital wav files. Duration is 2 hr., 9 min.