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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives of American Art
Title:	Gene Swenson papers
Date:	1950-1969
Identifier:	AAA.swengene
Creator:	Swenson, Gene, 1934-1969
Extent:	2.8 Linear feet
Language:	English .

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

The collection was donated in 2018 by by Anne Wilson, Gene Swenson's companion.

Restrictions

Use of original papers requires an appointment and is limited to the Archives' Washington, D.C., Research Center. Use of audio visual recordings with no duplicate copy requires advance notice.

Restrictions

Portions of the collection are temporarily closed to researchers due to conservation treatment. Contact Reference Services for more information.

Biographical / Historical

Gene Swenson (1934-1969) was an art critic and curator in New York, N.Y.

Scope and Contents

The papers of art critic and curator Gene Swenson measure 2.8 linear feet and date from 1950-1969. Included are correspondence with art world and political figures Jim Dine and Harry Truman among others; loose writings and 24 diaries by Swenson, and 13 audio cassette tapes of interviews with artists.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Types of Materials:

Diaries
Interviews
Sound recordings

Names:

Dine, Jim, 1935-

Occupations:

Art critics -- New York (State) -- New York