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## Oral history interview with Aileen O. Vanderbilt Webb

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives of American Art
<b>Title:</b>	Oral history interview with Aileen O. Vanderbilt Webb
<b>Date:</b>	1970 May 7-June 9
<b>Identifier:</b>	AAA.webb70
<b>Creator:</b>	Webb, Aileen O. (Interviewee) Cummings, Paul (Interviewer)
<b>Extent:</b>	56 Pages (Transcript)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Digital Content: Oral history interview with Aileen O. Vanderbilt Webb, 1970 May 7-June 9, Transcript</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

These interviews are 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.

### Restrictions

This interview is open for research. Contact Reference Services for more information.

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## Biographical / Historical

Aileen O. Webb (1892-1979) was an art administrator and philanthropist from New York City. She was president and chairman of the Board of the American Crafts Council.

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## Scope and Contents

Interview of Aileen O. Vanderbilt Webb conducted 1970 May 7-June 9, by Paul Cummings, for the Archives of American Art. She discusses her early political involvement in New York; the American Craftsmen's Cooperative Council; American Crafts Council; America House craft shop in New York City; Craft Horizons magazine; World Craft Council; the role of crafts in society.

## General

Originally recorded on 1 sound tape reel. Reformatted in 2010 as 2 digital wav files. Duration is 1 hrs., 59 min.

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## Names and Subject Terms

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

### Subjects:

Art, American  
Arts administrators -- New York (State) -- New York -- Interviews  
Crafts

### Types of Materials:

Interviews  
Sound recordings

### Preferred Titles:

*Craft Horizons*