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## *Anacostia Community Museum*

### *Through their eyes: the art of Lou and Di Stovall exhibition records*

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## Collection Overview

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| <b>Repository:</b> | Anacostia Community Museum Archives  |
| <b>Title:</b>      | <i>Through their eyes: the art of Lou and Di Stovall</i> exhibition records  |
| <b>Date:</b>       | 1983-09-18 - 1983-12-18  |
| <b>Identifier:</b> | ACMA.03-001  |
| <b>Creator:</b>    | Anacostia Community Museum<br>Smithsonian Institution. Anacostia Community Museum  |
| <b>Extent:</b>     | 1.42 Linear feet (2 boxes)   |
| <b>Language:</b>   | English .  |
| <b>Summary:</b>    | An exhibition featuring the works of artists Lou and Di Stovall organized by the Anacostia Neighborhood Museum and held there from September 18 --December 18, 1983. These records document the planning, organizing, execution, and promotion of the exhibition. Materials include correspondence, research files, exhibit scripts, administrative records, brochures, press coverage, education packets, loan agreements, floor plans, and catalogues. |

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## Administrative Information

### Related Archival Materials

Audiovisual materials created for the exhibition by Anacostia Community Museum.

### Other Finding Aids

Box list in accession file.

### Preferred Citation

*Through their eyes: the art of Lou and Di Stovall* exhibition records, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution

### Restrictions

Use of the materials requires an appointment. Please contact the archivist to make an appointment: [ACMarchives@si.edu](mailto:ACMarchives@si.edu).

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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:

African Americans  
Art -- Exhibitions

Museum exhibits  
Museum exhibits  
Printmakers  
Printmakers

Types of Materials:

Brochures  
Contact sheets  
Correspondence  
Exhibit scripts  
Exhibition records -- 1967-1989  
Photographic prints  
Scripts (documents)  
Sound recordings  
Video recordings

Names:

Anacostia Community Museum  
Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Fralin, Frances  
Gilliam, Sam, 1933-2022  
Livingston, Jane  
Stovall, Di Bagley, 1947-  
Stovall, Di Bagley, 1947-  
Stovall, Lou  
Stovall, Lou

Occupations:

Artists  
Artists

Places:

Washington (D.C.)  
Washington (D.C.)

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## Container Listing

### Exhibit files

#### Box 1

Brochure for National Museum of American Art exhibit, project work order for flyer design, exhibition calendar of events, sketches for Black History Month programming flyer, memo regarding calendar of events

Autobiography and history of Lou Stovall Workshop Inc. business

Artifact lists

Guide to photographs

Anacostia Neighborhood Museum catalog for 1974-1975, letter from Lou Stovall, photograph of Lou Stovall working

Correspondence regarding exhibit installation, introduction drafts, anecdote by Sam Gilliam, specifications for exhibit, commentary by various artists, memos regarding exhibit meeting, memo regarding video for exhibition

Scripts for self-guided audio tour, Smithsonian Institution Press submission form, draft for exhibition catalogue

Curriculum vitae and biography for Di Bagley Stovall, curriculum vitae and biography for Luther McKinley Stovall, catalogue draft sections, photocopy of section on Lou Stovall from book on African American Artists, photocopy of Lou Stovall working, photocopy of Lou Stovall autobiography, photocopy of newspaper article about the Stovalls

Memo regarding script revisions, draft of catalogue, draft of script, artifact list with insurance values, artifact list with dimensions

Memoranda regarding film on silk screen printing with Lou Stovall, proposal for exhibit video, video estimated cost list, film schedule, memorandum regarding video script

Teacher's Resource Packets

Booklets, teacher's resource packets, exhibit brochures, correspondence regarding award Anacostia received for Lou Stovall and Race Movies film, exhibition opening invitations

Exhibit brochures, exhibit catalog order form, requisition for supplies form, press submission form, sketched outline of exhibition catalogue

Artifact lists, list of loaned items, note regarding publication, memo regarding Workshop Inc., note for overdue research materials, brochure for Cover America, correspondence regarding outline for slide show soundtrack, correspondence regarding slide show, exhibition checklist, interview transcript with Lou Stovall, proposals for slide show, sketches of slide show, slide show outline, to do list for exhibition planning, overview of Workshop Inc., press submission form with catalogue draft, invitation draft, requests for photographic services, notes for exhibition installation, contact sheet, memo regarding supplies and materials for exhibition, draft correspondence, meeting notes, list of expenses, teacher's packet draft, calendar of events, script draft

Script draft, photo order form, supply requisition forms, notes regarding exhibit and contracting costs, invoices, photocopy of article from Smithsonian Magazine, memo regarding phone conversations, script excerpt, draft for exhibit panels, correspondence regarding exhibit installation, credits for exhibit video, memo regarding pay for video producer, cost estimates for brochure printing, press submission form, special event request form, rights and reproduction requests, copy of loan agreement, calendar of events, drafts of invitation opening, draft of typography booklet, draft confirmation packet, list of loan items, sketches of paper artwork, routing and transmittal slips, notes for exhibit poster, Christmas card, exhibit label drafts, sketches for slideshow

Photocopies of newspaper and magazine articles about Lou and Di Stovall, Workshop Inc. overview, program from Miami-Dade Library, flyers, script excerpts, biographies, exhibit catalog drafts, notes regarding Christmas cards, routing and transmittal slips, opening invitation, press submission form, catalog printing request forms, submission form for American Film Festival, exhibition flyers, notes from the suggestion box

Narration script draft, memo regarding proposal for exhibition film, proposal for Lou Stovall film, estimated film costs, outline of things to-do for exhibition, travel schedule, memo seeking telecommunication services, memo regarding film editors, correspondence with quotes, resume update, resume, notes on Office for Public Affairs, photocopies of sketches for slides, copy of video script, biographies, narration script, filming schedule, memo and outline for slide show

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## Series ACMA AV03-001: *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* audiovisual records, 1983-1984

8 Linear feet

13 Sound recordings (Audio cassette sound recordings)

19 Sound recordings (Open reel 1/4" sound recordings)

68 Video recordings (16mm film reels)

1 Video recording (VHS 1/2" video recordings)

Creator: Anacostia Community Museum

Scope and Contents: Audiovisual materials created for an exhibition featuring the works of artists Lou and Di Stovall organized by the Anacostia Neighborhood Museum and held there from September 18 – December 18, 1983. This collection contains the includes a film created for use within the exhibit along with production elements and outtakes, as well as audio recordings of related talks and tours of the exhibit.

Restrictions: Use of the materials requires an appointment. Some items are not accessible due to obsolete format and playback machinery restrictions. Please contact the archivist at [acmarchives@si.edu](mailto:acmarchives@si.edu).

Related Materials: Anacostia Community Museum. *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall*.

Preferred Citation: *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* audiovisual records, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Names: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Stovall, Lou  
Stovall, Di Bagley, 1947-  
Anacostia Community Museum

Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Video recordings

Occupation: Artists

Topic: Printmakers  
Museum exhibits  
African Americans

Place: Washington (D.C.)

ACMA AV003450: *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Self Guided Audio Tour, 1983

2 Sound recordings (open reel; 1/4 inch)

5 Sound recordings (audio cassette)

003731 000109 000110 000056 001425 001350 001350 001331 001340

Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Jones, Brian

Technical: 003731 000109 000110 000056 001425 001350 001350 001331  
001340

Notes: ACMA AV003296-1

ACMA AV003296-2

ACMA AV003296-3

ACMA AV001367

ACMA AV001377

ACMA AV001368

ACMA AV001369

ACMA AV001365

Brian Jones provides the narration for the self guided audio tour for the exhibition, *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall*. The life history of Lou and Di Stovall and their work with the Stovall Workshop Inc., Lou's relationship with Sam Gilliam and Lloyd McNeill, Lou's work with the Corcoran Gallery, Di's education at the Corcoran School of Art, the meaning of the poster, and Lou's passion for drawing are briefly discussed. Individual works - posters, prints, and fine art - by Lou and Di, including a collaboration piece by Gilliam and Lou, are described.

Audio tour script - unedited audio narration. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. AV003296-3: sound distorted. Dated 19831026, 19831027. AV001367 and AV001377: dated 198310. AV001368 and AV001369: dated 19831020. AV001365: undated.

*Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Self Guided Audio Tour was created for an exhibition featuring the works of Washington, D.C. artists, Lou and Di Stovall, organized by the Anacostia Neighborhood Museum and held there from September 18, 1983 - March 4, 1984. The exhibition, *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall*, showcased 84 works - silkscreen prints, drawings, and acrylic paintings - illustrating the artists' progression from posterists to master printmaker and miniaturist, respectively. The art was complemented by audiovisual presentations on the technique of silkscreen printing and a biographical essay on the artists.; Lou Stovall was born Luther McKinley Stovall in Athens, Georgia in 1937. When Stovall was four years old, his family moved north to Springfield, Massachusetts to find work. At age of fifteen, he was an apprentice to Al LaPierre in his silkscreen sign shop at the Growers Outlet Super Market. In 1956, Stovall received a grant and scholarship to attend Rhode Island School of Design. After the first semester, his father became ill so Stovall returned home to support his family for about five or six years. When he returned to school, Stovall attended Howard University, where he received a B.F.A. in 1965. James Lesesne Wells introduced to Stovall to silkscreen as a fine art rather than a commercial medium. Stovall also learned about collaboration in printmaking (artist and printer combining ideas and skills to create a work of art) from Wells. In 1968, Stovall received a grant to buy printmaking equipment. However, he made most of the tools and tables himself creating a full scale printmaking, wood making, and metal workshop in Washington, D.C. Under his direction, Workshop Inc. has grown from a small but active studio primarily concerned with community posters into a professional printmaking outfit. Stovall creates his own original silkscreen prints and is the printmaker of choice for other master artists including Elizabeth Catlett, David C. Driskell, and Sam Gilliam. For each work of art, he finds new and unique ways to replicate as closely as possible a painting supplied by the artist. He has the ability to make the

medium do just about anything he and the artist(s) want it to do. Stovall's innovative techniques and distinctive style is credited by artists and critics with helping to transform the concept of silkscreen printmaking from a commercial craft to a true art form. In 1971, Stovall married Di Bagley, a painter who specializes in acrylic on paper and incorporates miniature images into many of her works.;Di Stovall, also known as Di Bagley Stovall and Di Bagley, was born in Columbus, Georgia in 1947. As a child, she loved collecting small things, animate and inanimate. Stovall studied with Barbara Pound, a painter known for landscapes, oil, and watercolor, throughout her childhood and teenage years. In the late 1960s, Stovall was educated at Columbus College and Bradley Museum, both in Georgia, before moving to Washington, D.C. to attend Corcoran School of Art. Stovall is a noted master of the miniature, creating representational and abstract images painted in absorbing detail. Although she creates drawings, prints, and watercolors, she prefers to work with acrylic on paper to capture the minute detail she seeks. Stovall's work also includes acrylic paint on glass, hand-crafted jewelry, and wooden cabinetry. Overall, Stovall's work is colorful, whimsical, and sophisticated. Color is extremely important to her. In 1971, she married Lou Stovall, a printmaker.

Created for Anacostia Neighborhood Museum. Narrator: Brian Jones. Exception: AV001365 narration by Zora Martin-Felton.

Names: Stovall, Lou  
Stovall, Di Bagley, 1947-  
McNeill, Lloyd  
Gilliam, Sam, 1933-2022  
Porter, James A. (James Amos), 1905-1970  
Stovall Workshop Inc.  
Howard University  
Corcoran School of Art (Washington, D.C.)  
Corcoran Gallery of Art  
Anacostia Community Museum  
Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Topic: African Americans  
African American printmakers  
Printmakers  
African American artists  
Art  
Prints  
Screen prints  
Posters  
Landscapes  
Drawing  
Prints -- Technique  
Serigraphy  
Museum exhibits  
Exhibitions

Occupation: Artists

Place: Washington (D.C.)  
Georgia  
Springfield (Mass.)

United States  
Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Narration

ACMA AV003444-1: Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show, 1983  
2 Sound recordings (open reel; 1/4 inch)  
000510 000413 000548 000511

Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Technical: 000510 000413 000548 000511

Notes: ACMA AV003444-2

ACMA AV003509-1

ACMA AV003509-2

Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show focuses on the formation of Workshop by Lou Stovall and Lloyd McNeill from its origins at the Corcoran Gallery of Art to its current location in northwest Washington, D.C. Stovall's and McNeill's poster work, the development of Stovall's silkscreen process, landscape designs, and use of color are also described. In interview clips, Francis Fralin and David Bronson provide memories about Stovall, McNeill, and Workshop. M. Murray provides the narration.

Music, narration, and interview clips edited for slide show. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. AV003444-1 and AV003509-2: music, narration, and interview clips. AV003444-2: narration and interview clips only. AV003509-1: constant beeps over music, narration, and interview clips. AV003444 labeled final mix. Dated 19830902 [AV003444]. Undated [AV003509].

Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show, Exhibition Records AV03-001, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show is related to an exhibition featuring the works of Washington, D.C. artists, Lou and Di Stovall, organized by the Anacostia Neighborhood Museum and held there from September 18, 1983 - March 4, 1984. The exhibition, *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall*, showcased 84 works - silkscreen prints, drawings, and acrylic paintings - illustrating the artists' progression from posterists to master printmaker and miniaturist, respectively. The art was complemented by audiovisual presentations on the technique of silkscreen printing and a biographical essay on the artists.; Lou Stovall was born Luther McKinley Stovall in Athens, Georgia in 1937. When Stovall was four years old, his family moved north to Springfield, Massachusetts to find work. At age of fifteen, he was an apprentice to Al LaPierre in his silkscreen sign shop at the Growers Outlet Super Market. In 1956, Stovall received a grant and scholarship to attend Rhode Island School of Design. After the first semester, his father became ill so Stovall returned home to support his family for about five or six years. When he returned to school, Stovall attended Howard University, where he received a B.F.A. in 1965. James Lesesne Wells introduced to Stovall to silkscreen as a fine art rather than a commercial medium. Stovall also learned about collaboration in printmaking (artist and printer

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Created for Anacostia Neighborhood Museum. Narrator: M. Murray.

Names: Stovall, Lou  
Stovall, Di Bagley, 1947-  
McNeill, Lloyd  
Fralin, Frances  
Bronson, David  
Stovall Workshop Inc.  
Corcoran Gallery of Art  
Corcoran Gallery--Dupont Center  
Anacostia Community Museum  
Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Topic: African Americans  
African American printmakers  
Printmakers  
African American artists  
Art  
Prints  
Screen prints  
Posters  
Landscapes  
Prints -- Technique  
Serigraphy  
Color in art  
Museum exhibits  
Exhibitions

Occupation: Artists

Place: Washington (D.C.)  
Atlanta (Ga.)  
United States

Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Narration

ACMA AV003309-1: Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show Interviews, 1983

2 Sound recordings (open reel; 1/4 inch)

002427 001558 001419

Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Technical: 002427 001558 001419

Notes: ACMA AV003309-2

ACMA AV003314

Interviews with Dana Cook, Francis Fralin, and David Bronson for Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show, which focused on the formation of Workshop by Lou Stovall and Lloyd McNeill from its origins at the Corcoran Gallery of Art to its current location in northwest Washington, D.C. Cook, an illustrator and printmaker, discusses her experience working with and learning from Stovall at Workshop. Fralin speaks of Walter Hopps' outreach program idea leading to a relationship between Stovall and the Corcoran Gallery of Art, development of the Workshop at the Corcoran Gallery Dupont Circle, Stovall's and McNeill's poster collaboration, Stovall's silkscreening and drawing, Di Stovall's art and imagination, and other Workshop and Corcoran artists, including Sam Gilliam, David Bronson and Gene Davis. Bronson, a technician and craftsman, discusses his role at Workshop: helping to set up Workshop at Corcoran, learning silk screen process, working in woodshop, and creating prints for artists, including Ed McGowin for Name Change exhibition at Baltimore Museum of Art. All speak of Stovall's personality as a person, teacher and leader, particularly his perfectionist nature and high standards.

Interviews for slide show about Stovall Workshop Inc. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. Dana Cook interview dated 19830801: AV003309-1. Frances Fralin interview dated 19830809: AV003309-1 and AV003309-2. David Bronson interview dated 19830810: AV003314. All recordings have some distortions or skips in sound recording.

Stovall Workshop Inc. Slide Show Interviews, Exhibition Records AV03-001, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

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Fralin, Frances  
Bronson, David  
Cook, Dana  
Hopps, Walter  
Gilliam, Sam, 1933-2022  
Davis, Gene, 1920-1985  
McGowin, Ed, 1938-  
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Museum exhibits  
Exhibitions  
Occupation: Artists  
Place: Washington (D.C.)  
Atlanta (Ga.)  
United States  
Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Interviews

ACMA AV000957: Lou Stovall, 1983  
1 Sound recording (open reel; 1/4 inch)  
001456

Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Reinckens, Sharon A.  
Capilongo, Christopher

Technical: 001456

Notes: Title transcribed from physical asset.

Artist Lou Stovall demonstrates and speaks about his silk screen printing process and use of color in detail. He also discusses his ability and passion for drawing.

Short documentary. Audio only [most likely there is related 16mm film which has not been digitized yet]. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. Dated 19940329.

Lou Stovall, Exhibition Records AV03-001, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

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Names: Stovall, Lou  
Stovall Workshop Inc.  
Anacostia Community Museum  
Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

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Prints -- Technique  
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Color in art

Occupation: Artists

Place: Washington (D.C.)  
United States

Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Documentary films

ACMA AV003305-1: Lou Stovall Interview - Silk Screen Process, 1983  
2 Sound recordings (open reel; 1/4 inch)  
002410 002411 002231

Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Reinckens, Sharon A.  
Capilongo, Christopher

Technical: 002410 002411 002231

Notes: ACMA AV003305-2

ACMA AV003281

Title transcribed from physical asset.

Interview with Lou Stovall for documentary in which Stovall demonstrates and speaks about his silk screen printing process and use of color in detail. During the interview, Stovall discusses his ability and passion for drawing, hiding the human figure in landscape compositions, working with stencils and proofing strips, details of the reductive printing process, integration of color in his work, silk screen printing as a technical medium, art intelligence, aesthetics in his work and other artists, where he gets his inspiration, and Sam Gilliam's work and abstract art.

Interview for short documentary titled Lou Stovall. Audio only. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. AV003305: audio skips and minimal distortions. Dated 19830627.

Lou Stovall Interview - Silk Screen Process, Exhibition Records AV03-001, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

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Gilliam, Sam, 1933-2022  
Stovall Workshop Inc.  
Anacostia Community Museum  
Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Topic: African Americans  
African American printmakers  
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Serigraphy  
Color in art

Occupation: Artists

Place: Washington (D.C.)  
United States

Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Documentary films  
Interviews

ACMA AV003276: Lou Stovall Sound Rolls and Narration, 1983  
10 Sound recordings (open reel; 1/4 inch)  
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Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum  
Reinckens, Sharon A.  
Capilongo, Christopher

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ACMA AV003313

ACMA AV003447

ACMA AV003498

ACMA AV003506

Sound rolls for short documentary titled Lou Stovall in which Stovall demonstrates and speaks about his silk screen printing process and use of color in detail. Interviews, narration, ambient sounds, foley sound effects, and demonstration of screen printing process contained on sound rolls. During the interview segments, Stovall discusses his ability and passion for drawing, working with stencils and proofing strips, details of the reductive printing process, mixing and integrating of color in his work, and silk screen printing as a technical medium. Some of the footage, particularly AV003285, AV003287 and AV003288, consists of almost exclusively demonstration [sounds of the screen printing process].

Sound rolls and narration for short documentary titled Lou Stovall. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. Audio only. Most likely there is film which syncs with sound rolls, except AV003276 [no camera/image according to statement at beginning of sound roll]. AV003506: Sound Roll 1. AV003288: Sound Roll 2. AV003285: Sound Roll 3. AV003276: Sound Roll 4. AV003313: Sound Roll 5. AV003498: Sound Roll 6. AV003287: Sound Roll 7. AV003303: Sound Roll 8. AV003289: Sound Roll 9. AV003447: Lou Stovall Narration [distortion at beginning of recording]. Dated 19830803 [AV003506], 19830804 [AV003276, AV003285, AV003288, AV003498], 19830805 [AV003287, AV003303], 19830824 [AV003289]. Undated [AV003313, AV003447].

Lou Stovall Sound Rolls and Narration, Exhibition Records AV03-001, Anacostia Community Museum Archives, Smithsonian Institution.

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United States

Genre/Form: Sound recordings  
Documentary films  
Interviews  
Outtakes  
Ambient sounds  
Sound effects recordings

ACMA AV001364\_A: *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall Walk Thru Tour with Lou and Di, 1983*  
2 Sound recordings (audio cassette)  
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Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Technical: xxxxxx  
Notes: ACMA AV001364\_B  
ACMA AV001346\_A  
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Lou and Di Stovall walk through the exhibition 'Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall' with Zora Martin-Felton. The Stovalls talk about various pieces of their artwork displayed throughout the exhibition. They also speak of their artistic process and style.

Exhibitor tour. Sound only. Part of Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall Audiovisual Records. AV001364: dated 19830923. AV001346: dated 19830925.

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Genre/Form: Sound recordings

ACMA AV001363\_A: *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Exhibition Tour for Students led by Brian Jones, 1984

1 Sound recording (audio cassette)

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Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Technical: xxxxxx

Notes: ACMA AV001363\_B

Brian Jones led an interactive tour of the exhibition 'Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall' for JHS students during February 1984.

Exhibitor tour - educational program. Sound only. Part of *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Audiovisual Records. Dated 198402.

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ACMA AV001366\_A: *Through Their Eyes: The Art of Lou and Di Stovall* Exhibition  
Tour led by Brian Jones, circa 1984  
1 Sound recording (audio cassette)

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Creator: Anacostia Neighborhood Museum

Technical: xxxxxx

Notes: ACMA AV001366\_B

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