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Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title:	Audiovisual Records
Identifier:	Record Unit 455
Date:	circa 1979-1985
Extent:	10.58 cu. ft. (9 record storage boxes) (2 document boxes) (1 tall document box)
Creator::	National Museum of American Art. Office of Public Programs
Language:	English

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation

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Historical Note

The Office of Public Programs was created in 1983 as part of the Division of Museum Programs (previously the Department of Education and later the Office of Educational Programs) established during the general reorganization of 1982 under Director Charles C. Eldredge. Alison R. Abelson served as Audiovisual Specialist in the Office of Education, 1980-1981. In 1982 she became Media Program Head; and in 1983 her title changed to Producer, Art Documentaries, where she served, 1983- .

Descriptive Entry

This record unit consists of audiotaped and videotaped interviews primarily conducted by Alison R. Abelson. In addition to extensive interviews with sculptor Reuben Nakian, the records also include interviews with former curator Jacob Kainen by Joshua C. Taylor, as well as various tapes on other art subjects, some produced by groups outside the Museum. Also included are a few edit notes and logs.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Art -- Interviews
Art museums

Types of Materials:

Audiotapes
Interviews
Videotapes

Names:

Abelson, Alison
Eldredge, Charles C.
Kainen, Jacob
Nakian, Reuben, 1897-1986
National Museum of American Art (U.S.). Department of Education
National Museum of American Art (U.S.). Office of Educational Programs
National Museum of American Art (U.S.). Office of Museum Programs
Taylor, Joshua C. (Joshua Charles), 1917-1981

Container Listing

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Box 1 of 12	A70 T.C. 06:30
Box 1 of 12	T.C. on #1 00:00 - 8:00
Box 1 of 12	A57 T.C. 00:00
Box 1 of 12	Jacob Kainen Painting
Box 1 of 12	Jacob Kainen Painting/Interview I
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Box 1 of 12	32 Unfinished Kainen End
Box 1 of 12	Kainen 10 Abelson Sound on channel 2
Box 1 of 12	A71 T.C. 07:00
Box 1 of 12	A59 T.C. 01:00
Box 1 of 12	A60 T.C. 01:30
Box 1 of 12	A61 T.C. 02:00
Box 1 of 12	A62 T.C. 02:30 Note: Anni Switched from Channel #2 to Channel #1
Box 1 of 12	A64 T.C. 03:30
Box 1 of 12	A65 T.C. 04:00
Box 1 of 12	A66 T.C. 04:30
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Box 2 of 12	Nakian #6 T.C. 02:30
Box 2 of 12	Nakian #5 T.C. 02:00

Box 2 of 12 A7 Nakian Tape #2 Nakian Interview/Gallery

Box 2 of 12 Nakian #2 T.C. 00:30

Box 2 of 12 A5 Nakian Interview Courtyard #1

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