History of the Smithsonian Associates
Oral History Interviews, 2013

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Collection Overview

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Historical Note

Introduction
The Smithsonian Institution Archives (SIA) began its Oral History Program in 1973. The purpose of the program is to supplement the written documentation of the Archives’ record and manuscript collections with an Oral History Collection, focusing on the history of the Institution, research by its scholars, and contributions of its staff. Program staff conduct interviews with current and retired Smithsonian staff and others who have made significant contributions to the Institution. There are also reminiscences and interviews recorded by researchers or students on topics related to the history of the Smithsonian or the holdings of the Smithsonian Institution Archives.

The Smithsonian Resident Associates was founded in 1965 to provide its local members a wide range of educational and cultural activities, including classes in the arts, sciences, humanities, and crafts, as
well as tours and opportunities for domestic travel. The program was expanded in 1970 with creation of the National Associates along with publication of *Smithsonian* magazine. From 2005 to 2013, Barbara Tuceling served as director of The Smithsonian Associates (TSA). As she retired in 2013, Tuceling conducted a series of oral history interviews with a wide range of TSA staff members and Smithsonian administrators to document the history of TSA.

**Descriptive Entry**

These interviews discuss their careers at TSA, new programs, relationship to the rest of the Smithsonian Institution, notable programs, significant challenges, reminiscences of colleagues, and interaction with the public and staff.

The Smithsonian Associates Oral History Interviews collection is comprised of 22 interview sessions, totaling approximately 19.1 hours of recordings and no transcripts.

**Names and Subject Terms**

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

Subjects:
- Adult education
- Interviews
- Museums -- Educational aspects
- Oral history
- Tours

Types of Materials:
- Compact discs
- Electronic records
- Sound recordings

Names:
- Alin, Michael E.
- Angle, Robert H.
- Blachere, Brigitte
- Bogash, Carol A.
- Carper, Joseph M.
- Cassidy, Michael W.
- Clendening, Prudence
- Heath, Neill
- Hobbins, James M.
- Kotkin, Amy
- Kurin, Richard, 1950-
- Lovejoy, Thomas E.
- Mayor, Mara
- Parry, David T.
- Pike, Steve
- Post, Ann
- Pruitt, Crystal Fleary
Smithsonian Associates
Smithsonian Associates, Resident Associate Program
Smithsonian National Associates Program
Smoot, Dennis
Stewart, Katharine F.
Stewart, William A.
Tuceling, Barbara
Whiteneck, Abby
Worthy, Edmund
Yochelson, Abby

Preferred Titles:

Smithsonian Magazine
## Container Listing

**Interviews**

**Interview 1: July 10, 2013**

Interview of Thomas E. Lovejoy, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:12:16 hours

Note:
- Original Masters: 2 digital audio .wav files
- Reference Copies: 2 digital audio .mp3 files

**Interview 2: July 22, 2013**

Interview of Robert H. Angle, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 01:02:43 hours

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- Reference Copies: 2 digital audio .mp3 files

**Interview 3: August 7, 2013**

Interview of Michael E. Alin, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:28:45 hours

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**Interview 4: August 7, 2013**

Interview of Edmund Worthy, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:50:06 hour

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**Interview 5: August 8, 2013**

Interview of Carol A. Bogash, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:37:41 hour

Note:
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Interviews

Interview 6: August 8, 2013

Interview of Abby Yochelson, no transcript available.

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Interviews

Interview 7: August 9, 2013

Interview of Prudence Clendening, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:57:05 hours

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Interviews

Interview 8: August 14, 2013

Interview of James M. Hobbins, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:37:53 hours

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Interviews

Interview 9: August 14, 2013

Interview of Joseph M. Carper, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 01:21:54 hours

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Interviews

Interview 10: August 16, 2013

Interview of Crystal Fleary Pruitt, no transcript available.

Audio Recordings of Interviews: Total recording time: 00:31:07 hours

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Interview of Dennis Smoot, no transcript available.

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Interview 22: September 26, 2013

Interview of Ann Post, no transcript available.

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