

ACTS OF ART, INC.
Acts of Art, Inc. collection, 1970-1975

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Descriptive Summary

Creator: Acts of Art, Inc.
Title: Acts of Art, Inc. collection, 1970-1975
Call Number: Manuscript Collection No. 1373
Extent: .5 linear feet (1 box) and 1 oversized papers box (OP)
Abstract: Collection of promotional material advertising exhibitions at Acts of Art gallery in New York City.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

Administrative Information

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Custodial History

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Appraisal Note

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Processing

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Historical Note

Acts of Art, Inc. was a gallery in Greenwich Village, New York, New York. Owned by artists Nigel L. Jackson and Pat Grey, the gallery specialized in showing art by African Americans and was an integral part of the Black Arts Movement in the 1970s.

Scope and Content Note

The collection consists of promotional material created by Acts of Art, Inc. from 1970-1975. It primarily contains fliers, programs, and invitations to exhibitions hosted by the gallery. The gallery frequently exhibited photography, paints, sculptures, and other artwork by such artists as James Denmark, Reginald Gammon, Dindga McCannon, Ann Tanksley, Robert Threadgill, Lloyd Toone, and Frank Wimberley. Notable amongst this material are the flier and invitation to "Where We At: Black Women Artists," a 1971 exhibition of 14 black, feminist artists. The collection also contains a small amount of promotional material for the gallery itself, including membership calls, a holiday card, and an event calendar.

Arrangement Note

Arranged in alphabetical order by artist.

Container List

Box	Folder	Content
1	1	Acts of Art, calls for membership, undated
1	2	Acts of Art, event calendar, 1972 April
1	3	Acts of Art, holiday advertisement, 1971
1	4	Acts of Art, holiday card, 1974
1	5	Aziz, exhibition, 1975
1	6	Blish, Allen, exhibition, 1974
1	7	Butler, Jo, exhibition, 1972
1	8	"Caribbean and Afro-American Women Artists," exhibition, 1974
1	9	"The Collection," special exhibition, 1975
1	10	Coppedge, Arthur, exhibition, 1972
1	11	Denmark, James, exhibitions, 1970-1973
1	12	Denmark, James, Ann Tanksley, and Frank Wimberley, group exhibition, 1972
1	13	Edwards, Gil, exhibition, 1973
1	14	Gammon, Reginald, exhibitions, 1973-1974
OP1	1	Group exhibition, 1972
1	15	Gunter, Lester and Ed Salter, two person exhibition, 1972
1	16	Hicks, Leon, exhibition, 1974
1	17	Higgins, Chester, Jr., exhibition, 1974
1	18	Hill, Earl and Yvonne X Williams, two person exhibition, 1972
OP1	2	"Holiday Exhibition," group exhibition, undated
OP1	3	"Holiday Season Print and Drawing Show," group exhibition, 1972-1973
1	19	Hughes, Manuel, Robert Robinson, and Keith Simon, group exhibition, 1973
1	20	Jackson, Harlan, exhibition, 1975
1	21	Jackson, Nigel L., exhibitions, 1972-1974
1	22	Jackson, Nigel L., Philippe G. Smith, and Ellen Powell Tiberino, group exhibition, 1973
1	23	Jones, Lois Mailou, exhibition, 1973
1	24	McCannon, Dindga, exhibition, 1972
1	25	Murray, Jan, Onnie Miller, Mary Chang, and Lethia Robertson, "Design Co-op Show," undated
1	26	Olugebefola, Ademola, exhibition, 1971
1	27	Olugebefola, Ademola, Ernestine Robinson, and Enid Richardson Moore, group exhibition, 1973
1	28	Robinson, Robert, exhibition, 1971
1	29	Robinson, Robert and Dindga McCannon, two person exhibition, 1975
1	30	Salter, Ed, exhibition, 1973
1	31	"Season's Greetings," group exhibition, 1973-1974

1	32	Smith, Philippe G., exhibition, 1973
1	33	"Summer of '73," group exhibition, 1973
1	34	Tanksley, Ann, exhibitions, 1973-1974
1	35	Tecla, exhibition, 1971
1	36	Threadgill, Robert, exhibitions, 1972-1973
1	37	Toone, Lloyd, exhibitions, 1972-1974
1	38	"Where We At: Black Women Artists," exhibition, 1971
1	39	Williams, Grace and Carlton Holland, two person exhibition, 1974
1	40	Wimberley, Frank, exhibitions, 1973-1974
