DORIT PAUL
ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW, 2011

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COLLECTION INFORMATION

VOLUME OF COLLECTION: 1 folder, 2 DVDs

COLLECTION DATES: 2011

PROVENANCE: Indiana Historical Society project, 2011-

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NOTES:
BIографическая выпись

Дорит Пол (1928– ), родилась в Манхейм, Германия, в семье Берты и Рудольфа Людвига Селиг. В ответ на анти-еврейскую кампанию Гитлера, ее семья переехала в Швейцарию и затем в Нью-Йорк в 1938 году. Она пошла в школу до того, как перешла в частную высшую школу, где она радовалась изучать историю, математику, английскую литературу, и биологию. Она пошла в колледж Радклифф и продолжила на КOLUMбийском университете для полного учення в文学 на епископе.

После встречи на слепой дате, она вышла замуж за Джеральда Пола в 1954 году и переехала в Индианаполис, Индиана. Они основали семью в 1956 году, основав две дочери. Джеральд начал Paul Harris Stores, женщину и магазин, с Эарл Харрисом в 1954 году. Дорит часто помогала своему мужу в бизнесе во время его правления.

Beyond Paul Harris, Dorit has made a lifelong commitment to volunteerism. Her experiences include providing books for the patients at Central State Hospital, being a docent for the Indianapolis Museum of Art, and serving as a member on myriad local boards, such as the Greater Indianapolis Jewish Federation, Indianapolis Early Music, Indianapolis Opera, and Phoenix Theatre.

She often traveled with Gerald on business. During these trips they amassed an extensive collection of contemporary and traditional artwork. They collect mostly contemporary art and their collection includes pieces by Betty Woodman, Willem de Kooning, and Antoni Tàpies. She and her husband are supporters of The Children’s Museum, Indiana Historical Society, and Dance Kaleidoscope, among other organizations. IUPUI Herron School of Art and the Eiteljorg Museum of Western Art and the American Indian both named galleries in honor of Dorit and Gerald Paul for their continual support of each institution.

Sources: Material from the collection


SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

Folder 1 contains the transcript of an oral history interview with Dorit Paul and a life history form. The DVDs contain a WAV file audio recording of Paul’s oral history interview (1 master and 1 copy). Paul was interviewed as part of the Indiana Community Builders Oral History Project (ICB), an ongoing project collecting oral histories of outstanding individuals continually work to advance Indiana. The primary goal of this project is to collect life stories from remarkable people whose involvement in Indiana philanthropy, business, politics, religion, and education continues to enhance the Indiana community. Through these individual lives, we can witness the development of Indiana’s recent past. IHS believes collecting these reflections also extends our capacity as Indiana’s Storyteller because we can better understand Indiana history from a personal and professional perspective. Including both perspectives illustrates each individual’s contributions to Indiana and their personal connections to all Hoosiers. Interview topics include: influences provided by family while growing up; elementary, secondary, and post-secondary education; employment/volunteer experiences; challenges and successes faced; philanthropy; and change of Indianapolis/Indiana over time. The interview was conducted by Kendra E. Clauser on October 6, 2011 at Paul’s home. Clauser has been the Project Archivist for ICB since April of 2011.
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Life history form

Dorit Paul oral history interview, audio WAV file on DVD  
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