The Civil Rights History Project: Survey of Collections and Repositories

The Force of Ethics in Civil Rights Oral History Project

Repository: Alliance of Ethics & Art, Inc.

Collection Description (Extant): Our oral history project, “The Force of Ethics in Civil Rights,” was begun in 2005, and in October 2013 includes over 200 video interviews and scores of audio interviews conducted by journalist and Aesthetic Realism Associate Alice Bernstein with unsung pioneers nationwide—men and women of all races who deserve our nation's acknowledgment and gratitude. The purpose of this project is to preserve little known history of the fight for civil rights—in the voices, words, and images of those who helped to make that history, and to meet the urgent need in America to understand the cause and answer to racism, explained by Aesthetic Realism, the education founded by the great philosopher Eli Siegel.

An important aspect of the oral histories is the collaboration of African Americans and Jews in behalf of civil rights. This has recently come to include research on the little known history of black colleges in the South and how, during the 1930s and '40s, they saved the lives of Jewish refugee scholars attempting to flee the Nazi Holocaust. These brave colleges offered them jobs and safe haven when doors to safety were otherwise closed.

Access Copy Note: Some videos are available online at http://www.youtube.com/user/AllianceEthicsArt/videos

Collection URL: http://www.allianceofethicsandart.org/Oral_History.html

Date(s): 2005-2013

Digital Status: Partial

Extent: Approximately 200 videos

Language: English


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**Subjects:**
- AFL-CIO
- African American artists
- African American civic leaders
- African American civil rights workers
- African American clergy
- African American college students
- African American judges
- African American labor leaders
- African American lawyers
- African American politicians
- African American press
- African American students
- African American veterans
- African American women civil rights workers
- Civil rights demonstrations
- Civil rights workers
- Civil rights--Religious aspects--Judaism
- Congress of Racial Equality
- Discrimination in education
- Discrimination in employment
- Discrimination in medical care
- Jews
- King, Martin Luther, Jr., 1929-1968
- Labor movement
- Labor unions
- Medical Committee for Human Rights (U.S.)
- Mississippi Freedom Democratic Party
- Mississippi Freedom Project
- Mississippi Freedom Schools
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
- Peace movements
- Race discrimination
- Sanitation Workers Strike, Memphis, Tenn., 1968
- School integration
- Segregation in education
- Sharecroppers--Southern States
- Southern Christian Leadership Conference
- Student Nonviolent Coordinating Committee (U.S.)
- Voter registration

**Genres:**
- Interviews
- Sound recordings
- Videorecordings

We are grateful for the honor of being included in the Library of Congress Civil Rights Oral History Project. To learn more about our work and the men and women we continue to interview, you may contact the not-for-profit Alliance of Ethics & Art, a tax-exempt 501(c)(3) at (212) 691-2978, and visit our website: www.AllianceofEthicsandArt.org