Title: Priebe, Karl Collection

Reference Code: Mss-1600

Inclusive Dates: 1990

Quantity: 0.03

Location: Sm mss.

Abstract: Karl Priebe was an artist who received national acclaim for his surrealist style and his depictions of African American culture. Born in Milwaukee in 1914, Priebe studied at the Layton School of Art and at the Art institute of Chicago. In the 1930's he volunteered to teach painting at the Hull House and began using the African Americans that he met there as artistic subjects. Throughout his life, Priebe, who was white, identified with the minority status of blacks and continued to paint them. His work was featured in a retrospective exhibit at the Haggerty Museum of Art at Marquette University in 1976, which is the subject of the materials in this collection. Priebe died shortly after the retrospective was held, on July 6, 1976.

Scope and Content: Invitation to exhibition at the Haggerty Museum of Art, Marquette University, and a brochure describing the exhibition.

Access and Use: No restrictions

Language: English