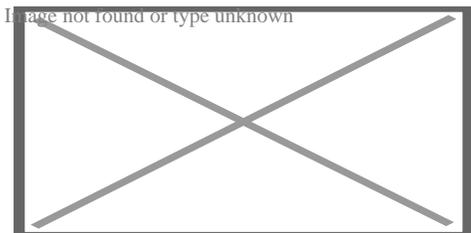




Ode To Gravity: Interview with Bob Cobbing



Identifier

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Object Type

Analog Audio

Description

One of the best known sound poets in the world, Bob Cobbing is a dynamic gentleman with a sonorous voice and lovely accent, who was a poet, performer, and composer of text-sound compositions. Cobbing also was a producer and collector of concrete or visual poetry, and his bookstore, Better Books of London was a leading distribution point for avant-garde poets during the 1960s and 70s. In this program, recorded in 1972, Cobbing talks about his early work as a teacher and later as a publisher of visual poetry, as well as his opinions about the field of sound poetry. This is an engaging interview recorded in Cobbing's home as he talked with Charles Amirkhanian. Bob Cobbing died in 2002 at the age of 82.

People

Amirkhanian, Charles (features)

Cobbing, Bob, 1920-2002 (features)

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[Bob Cobbing looking at his cat on his shoulder, London \(1972\)](#)

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[Bob Cobbing, standing, smiling, with cat, London \(1972\)](#)

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[Bob Cobbing, standing, smiling, with cat, side view, London \(1972\)](#)

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[Bob Cobbing, standing, with his cat on one shoulder, London \(1972\)](#)

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[Bob Cobbing, sitting in a chair with a cat on his lap, London \(1972\)](#)

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[Bob Cobbing at home, sitting and talking, vs. 2, London \(1972\)](#)