

Name Robert Hamilton Blackburn Field: Art-Illustration

Professional printing, also temporary printer at the Art Students League 111 West 17th Street, New York 11, New York

Plan of Work 1) to execute a series of lithographs; 2) to produce a folio of lithographic prints; 3) to do experimental work in etching and wood block; 4) to continue creative painting; 5) to participate in production of a film.

Requests grant for one year beginning June 1948.

Personal Data Born Summit, New Jersey, December 1920 Single, one dependent

Age: 27 Draft Status:

Undergraduate Work

Professional Art Students League, 1940-43

Graduate Work

Work Experience & Achievement Designed mural in lobby of Frederick Douglass Jr. High School, N.Y.C., executed by applicant and fellow students; assisted in designing and rendering mural for boys recreation hall, YMCA Harlem Branch, N.Y.C.; made health displays, dioramas, charts, graphs, posters and leaflets for two years at Nat'l. Youth Admin., Harlem Community Health Center and Harlem T.B. and Health Comm., N.Y.C.; general 16 mm. movie art work, diagrams, maps, charts, illustrations, etc., for four years at Harmon Foundation, N.Y.C. two years free lance work with Mr. Wango Weng, director of China Film Enterprises and China Photo Supply, N.Y.C.; one year with Fred S. Wythe, OWI, Overseas Div., title background work for films; three years in commercial art studios and lithograph houses.

Printing Experience/Accomplishments Worked at Harlem Community Art Center with Riva Helfond and Geo. Barina in Lithography, 1937-39; ass't. to Will Barnet, instructor in paintings and graphics, Art Students League and Cooper Union; ass't. to Bill Wetzels, present printer at Art Students League. At present substituting for Mr. Wetzels who is taking accident leave; commercially printing for Associated American Artists and individually for artists.

Awards and Scholarships Scholarship to Art Students League, 1939; Nat'l Scholastic Art Competition, 1938, only student ever to win 3 first prizes; Alexander Medal, 1937 for draughtsmanship and St. Gaudens Medal, 1939, gen'l. excellence in art from School Art League; Frederick Douglass Guidance and Art Medals, 1936; John Wanamaker Medal, 1936; Spingarn Award, 1937, Robert Pious Award, 1937, Poussant Award, 1937; G.J. Pinckney Award; accepted in Brooklyn Museum Annual, 1947; accepted in Library of Congress Annual, 1947, selected for year's traveling show.

References G.J. Pinckney Award; accepted in Brooklyn Museum Annual, 1947; accepted in Library of Congress Annual, 1947, selected for year's traveling show. Jacob Lawrence, Brooklyn, N.Y. Charles Alston, New York City Richmond Barthe, " Vaclav Vytlacil, Sparkhill, N.Y. Alain Locke, Howard University Rex Gorleigh, Princeton, N. J.

Budget Summary

Total Amount Needed \$2000 From Applicant \$2000 From Fund

AMOUNT GRANTED

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