

## AGNES VOGEL

Interview of 7/9/97, Summary

USHMM, Jeff & Toby Herr Collection, follow-up to interview of 7/14/89

Born in Debrecen, Hungary, Agnes Vogel discusses her family life prior to the war; attending an art-oriented Catholic high school where there were instances of anti-Semitism from nuns and students; being deported to the town of Strasoff in Austria, then to Bergen-Belsen, being liberated in April 1945 and returning home on foot; arriving in New York in 1946 and then moving to Detroit; her four children; her three sisters, all of whom are Holocaust survivors; developing artistically through porcelain painting; becoming a public speaker about her experiences during the Holocaust; how her role as a parent was impacted by her war-time experiences; the Holocaust survivors' gathering in Israel in the 1980's and finding her family's history at the Diaspora Museum in Tel Aviv; and her hopes that people will learn from her interview to be tolerant of others, to be aware of world events, and to teach future generations not to blindly follow leaders.