



# The New York Public Library Manuscripts and Archives Division

Guide to the

## **William Harris, Jr. papers**

1914-1934

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### **Summary**

**Creator:** Harris, William, 1884-1946

**Title:** William Harris, Jr. papers

**Date:** 1914-1934

**Source:** Gift of William Harris, Jr., March, 1937

**Abstract:** Collection consists of approximately 13,000 vouchers, 1914-1934 concerning Harris' investments and theatrical expenses during his most active years in the theatre. Many of the vouchers have bills, accounts, or statements attached to them. There is a separate card index to the names on these vouchers. Also, there are about 3,000 vouchers, 1920-1928, relating to Mrs. Henry B. Harris and a few for Henry B. Harris and Howard Schnebbe.

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### **Creator History**

William Harris, Jr. (1884-1946) entered the family theater business in 1912 upon the death of his older brother Henry B. Harris (1866-1912). Until his retirement in 1939, William Harris, Jr. managed New York City theaters, produced plays on Broadway, and organized road companies of his most successful stage efforts.

### **Scope and Content Note**

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accounts, or statements attached to them. There is a separate card index to the names on these vouchers. In addition, there are ca. 3,000 vouchers relating to Mrs. Henry B. Harris (1920-1928) and a few for H.B. Harris (n.d.) and Howard Schnebbe (1929).

## **Key Terms**

### **Subjects**

Theater -- Finance

Theater management

Theaters -- New York (State) -- New York

### **Occupations**

Theatrical managers

Theatrical producers and directors

### **Genre/Physical Characteristic**

Vouchers

### **Names**

Harris, William, 1884-1946

Harris, Henry B., 1866-1912

Harris, Irene Wallach

Schnebbe, Howard

## Container List

### Series I. Vouchers

#### William Harris, Jr.

- b. 1 Index to Vouchers
- b. 2 #1-599 1914-1916
- b. 3 600-1499 1916-1918
- b. 4 1500-2299 1918-1919
- b. 5 2300-2999 1919-1920
- b. 6 3000-3599 1920
- b. 7 3600-3999 1920-1921
- b. 8 4000-4499
- b. 9 4500-5049
- b. 10 5050-5399
- b. 11 5400-5799
- b. 12 5800-6399
- b. 13 6400-7499
- b. 14 7500-8199
- b. 15 8200-9399 1924-1926
- b. 16 9400-10306 #1-599 1926-1928), 1928-1929
- b. 17 600-1599 1929-1931
- b. 18 1600-2912 #1-302 1931-1934), 1923-1928
- b. 18 Miscellaneous & undated

#### H.B. Harris

- b. 19 Vouchers #2918 n.d.

#### Howard Schnebbe

- b. 19 Vouchers #80-92 1929

#### Mrs. Henry B. Harris

- b. 19 #1-1199 1923-1926
- b. 20 1200-2499 1923-1926
- b. 21 2500-3068 1926-1928