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Guide to the

Henry Forbes papers

1917-1952

*T-Mss 1996-007

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Summary

Creator: Forbes, Henry B., -1958

Title: Henry Forbes papers

Date: 1917-1952

Size: 1 linear foot (2 boxes, 1 volume, 2 oversized folders)

Source: Donated by Ed Brodtkin, 1996.

Abstract: Henry B. Forbes (d. 1958) was a theatrical producer active on Broadway in the 1920s and 1930s. He also worked as an actor in the 1910s and early 1920s, performing with the East-West Players. The Henry B. Forbes papers (1917-1952) contain programs, clippings, contracts, business correspondence, and other papers regarding his theatrical work. Productions represented in the collection include *Tin Pan Alley* (1928), *Schoolgirl* (1930), *Thunder on the Left* (1933), *The Wild Duck* (1938), and *Walk Into My Parlor* (1940). The collection includes posters for the tryouts of *Wild Birds* (1929) and *Schoolgirl*, a scrapbook dedicated to *Thunder on the Left*, and a production photograph from *Tin Pan Alley*.

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Key Terms

Genre/Physical Characteristic

Clippings (information artifacts)

Contracts

Programs (documents)

Scrapbooks

Subjects

Theater -- Production and direction

Occupations

Theatrical producers and directors

Container List

- b. 1 f. 1-11 1917-1952
- b. 2 f. 1-4 1928-1952
 - Includes *Tin Pan Alley* photograph.
 - v. 1 *Thunder on the Left Scrapbook* 1933, 1936
 - o. 1 *Schoolgirl Posters* 1930
 - o. 2 *Wild Birds Poster* 1929