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## **Tom B'hend and Preston Kaufmann collection**

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### **Descriptive Summary**

**Title:** Tom B'hend and Preston Kaufmann collection

**Date (inclusive):** 1866-1990s

**Date (bulk):** bulk 1900s-1960s

**Collection number:** 423

**Creator:** B'hend, TomKaufmann, Preston J.

**Extent:** In process -- 315 linear feet of papers.52 linear feet of photographs.

**Repository:** Margaret Herrick Library. Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.

<http://digitalcollections.oscars.org/cdm/landingpage/collection/p15759coll5>

**Languages:** English

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#### **Preferred Citation**

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#### **Biography**

Tom B'hend and Preston Kaufmann were collectors of material related to motion picture theaters and theater organs. B'hend was a theater organ enthusiast and Kaufmann was an author and head of Showcase Publications.

#### **Collection Scope and Content Summary**

The Tom B'hend and Preston Kaufmann collection spans the years 1866-1990s (bulk 1900s-1960s) and encompasses approximately 367 linear feet. The collection, representing nearly 5,000 American theaters, contains material on motion picture theaters and theater organs, including architectural blueprints and design drawings; theater reference materials, including clippings, programs, and postcards; and interior and exterior photographs of theaters. Particularly strong is its coverage of major metropolitan areas such as Los Angeles, San Francisco, New York, Chicago, and Philadelphia. There is some material from every state and from Washington, D.C.

#### **Arrangement**

Theater reference files (United States); Theater reference files (Foreign); Edwards Theatres. Circuit administration; Edwards Theatres. Distributor solicitations; Edwards Theatres. Financial files; Edwards Theatres. Legal files; Fanchon and Marco research files; Oversize; Subject photographs - Theaters (United States); Subject photographs - Fanchon and Marco

#### **Indexing Terms**

Kaufmann, Preston J. , 1956-1998--Archives

B'hend, Tom , 1917-1994--Archives

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