Ara Gallant photographs

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Ara Gallant photographs
Date (inclusive): 1974-1985
Collection number: 1088
Creator: Gallant, Ara
Extent: 14 linear feet of photographs.
Repository: Margaret Herrick Library. Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.
Languages: English
Access
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Acquisition Information
Gift of Johnny Seven, 1999
Biography
Ara Gallant was an American still photographer. He was a hair and makeup stylist for New York commercial fashion photographers during the 1960s and early 1970s. He launched his own Manhattan based commercial still photography business in the early 1970s and subsequently developed his own distinctive style, photographing scores of prominent personalities of the 1970s and 1980s. Around 1988 he moved to Los Angeles, where he tried to sell a screenplay and launch film production projects.
Collection Scope and Content Summary
The Ara Gallant photographs span the years 1974-1985 and encompass 14 linear feet. The collection consists of 16,762 items. The photographs, primarily of major celebrities, were taken by Gallant in New York City primarily for magazine publishing clients, including A&M Records, Andy Warhol's Interview, McCall's, Playboy, Rolling Stone, Vogue and Italian Vogue, and Weekend. The photography was created both in Gallant's studio and at various interior and exterior locations in New York. The material consists of original black-and-white negatives, original color slides and color transparencies, and black-and-white photographic prints and proof sheets; much of the material is oversized.
Arrangement
Arranged in the following series: 1. Biography photographs
Indexing Terms
Gallant, Ara--Archives.