Descriptive Summary

Title: Paramount Pictures photographs
Date (inclusive): 1914-1970
Collection number: 1104
Creator: Paramount Pictures
Extent: 332 linear feet of photographs.
Repository: Margaret Herrick Library, Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.
Languages: English

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Acquisition Information

Biography
Paramount Pictures is an American film production and distribution company formed in 1914. The studio is located in Hollywood, California.

Collection Scope and Content Summary
The Paramount Pictures photographs span the years 1914-1970 and encompass 322 linear feet. Some 1,900 film titles are represented by approximately 200,000 photographic prints. They include scenes as well as publicity portraits and off-camera photographs showing various aspects of productions in progress. (In the 1950s MCA purchased the Paramount library of 770 sound films from 1929 to 1949, and thus most of these titles have little to no coverage.) The set reference photographs span the years 1929-1970 and consist of photographs for some 725 motion pictures. The photographs were taken of sets during film production for continuity and other reference purposes and usually no persons are depicted. Due to extensive conservation needs, material on most films released after 1941 is currently unavailable. The biography photographs span from the 1930s to the 1960s and consist of studio gallery portraits and general publicity. There are files on 168 individuals, primarily actors. Formats include 8x10 and 4x5 black-and-white photographic prints and negatives.

Arrangement
Arranged in the following series: 1. Biography photographs; 2. Motion picture production photographs; 3. Subject photographs

Indexing Terms
Paramount Pictures