Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Art Department records

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Art Department records
Date (inclusive): 1923-1961
Date (bulk): 1937-1957
Collection number: 12
Creator: Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer
Extent: 3.5 linear feet of papers.
Repository: Margaret Herrick Library. Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences.
Languages: English
Access
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Acquisition Information
Gift of Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer, 1985
Biography
Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer was an American motion picture production company formed in 1924. The studio was located in Culver City, California.
Collection Scope and Content Summary
The Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer Art Department records records span the years 1923-1961 (bulk 1937-1957) and encompass 3.5 linear feet. The collection, which consists of files maintained by either Cedric Gibbons or William Horning, contains departmental records, including studio memoranda and correspondence, production records, reports, research, and script breakdowns. Areas covered include art directors, labor relations, legal matters, main title cost breakdowns, miniatures and special-effects weekly reports, memoranda and reports of shots in progress for the Warren Newcombe unit, personnel matters including contract data, production costs, publicity, research, scenic art, screen credits, set construction costs, set decorators, stage construction, Technicolor, three-dimensional films, and wartime activities (World War II).
Arrangement
Arranged in the following series: 1. Subject files.
Indexing Terms
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