Descriptive Summary

Title: Mike Mazurki papers
Date (inclusive): 1927-1989
Date (bulk): 1941-1985
Collection number: 299
Creator: Mazurki, Mike
Extent: 29 linear feet of papers. 2.3 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 Sylvia Mazurki, 1992
Biography
Mike Mazurki, born Mikhail Mazurwski in Austria-Hungary, was a character actor most active in film from the 1940s through 1980s. Trained as a professional wrestler he turned to acting after serving as Mae West’s bodyguard. As a character actor he typically played the tough guy. He also made guest appearances on television programs in the 1950s through 1970s.
Collection Scope and Content Summary
The Mike Mazurki papers span the years 1927-1989 (bulk 1941-1985) and encompass approximately 31.3 linear feet. The collection contains scripts, production material, clippings, reviews, correspondence, or publicity material for nearly 100 films and dozens of television programs. Stage productions are represented by clippings, correspondence, programs, publicity material, and reviews. There are seven scrapbooks, and photographs, including three photograph albums. The photograph series consists of prints, negatives, and film strips of biography, motion picture production, radio production, stage production, television production, and subject photographs.
Arrangement
Indexing Terms
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