Guide to the Howard L. Dorn and Sons Collection, 1936-1978

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Howard L. Dorn and Sons Collection,
Date (inclusive): 1936-1978
Collection number: Consult repository
Creator: Dorn, Howard L.
Extent: 1 box
Repository: Pasadena Museum of History
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Abstract: The Howard L. Dorn and Sons Collection consists of 6 folders of printer's proofs of logos, letterheads and other
designs, and several letters from clients.
Physical location: For current information on the location of these materials, please consult the Library.
Language: English.

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Acquisition Information
Gift of the Dorn family.

**Administrative History**

Howard L. Dorn & Sons, originally called Keenan & Dorn, were commercial printers located at 1192-1194 East Colorado Blvd. in Pasadena, California from 1936 until 1978.

Howard L. Dorn, a lifelong resident of Pasadena, is listed as a salesman for the Pasadena Stationery & Printing Co. in the Pasadena city directories from 1916 until 1935. From 1936 until 1947 or 1948, he was associated with Eugene C. Keenan at Keenan & Dorn Printers & Stationers. In 1949, Dorn’s sons Phillip H. and Richard E. are listed with their father under Howard L. Dorn & Sons Creative Printing, Stationery, Office Supplies. Among their customers were many well-known Pasadena businesses, such as Jurgensen’s, J. Herbert Hall Jewellers, Vroman’s, Bohman & Schwartz Coach Builders, professionals such as architect Elmer Grey and builder E. C. Moller, and numerous churches, clubs, schools, automobile dealerships, and other organizations.

Howard L. Dorn died in 1981.

**Scope and content**

The Howard L. Dorn & Sons Collection consists of 6 folders of printer’s proofs of logos, letterheads and other designs, and several letters from clients. Most of the proofs are signed and dated.

**Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of the collection in the library’s online public access catalog.

**Subjects**

Dorn, Howard L.
Commercial Art--Printing
Printing--California--Pasadena
California--Pasadena

**Other Index Terms Related to this Collection**

Dorn, Phillip H.
Dorn, Richard E.
Keenan, Eugene C.
Howard L. Dorn & Sons
Keenan & Dorn, Printers & Stationers
Pasadena Stationery & Printing Co.

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