Finding Aid for the Mirisch Corporation records, 1949-1974

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Mirisch Corporation records,

Date (inclusive): 1949-1974

Collection number: 1146

Creator: Mirisch Corporation

Extent: 89 boxes (44.5 linear ft.) 22 cartons (22 linear ft.) 2 oversize boxes

Abstract: Walter M. Mirisch (1921- ) was born in New York City. He produced films for Monogram Pictures and was the executive producer at Allied Artists before forming an independent production company, Mirisch Company, in 1957. The corporation's list of films includes 3 Best Picture Academy Award winners. The collection consists of correspondence, contracts, production files, and copies of scripts for films and television shows produced by Walter M. Mirisch and the Mirisch Corporation.

Language: Finding aid is written in English.

Repository: University of California, Los Angeles. Library. Department of Special Collections.

Los Angeles, California 90095-1575

Physical location: Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact UCLA Library Special Collections for paging information.

Restrictions on Access

COLLECTION STORED OFF-SITE AT SRLF: Advance notice required for access. Contact the UCLA Library, Department of Special Collections Reference Desk for paging information.

This collection is CLOSED until the death of Walter M. Mirisch.

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Biography/History

Walter M. Mirisch was born on November 8, 1921 in New York City; attended City College of New York; BA, University of Wisconsin, 1942; graduated, Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration, 1943, following his World War II service, Mirisch began producing films for Monogram Pictures; became executive producer at Allied Artists in 1951; formed an independent production company, Mirisch Company, in 1957 with his brother Marvin and half brother Harold; Mirisch Corporation's list of films includes 3 Best Picture Academy Award winners: The Apartment (1960), West Side Story (1961), and In the Heat of the Night (1967); Mirisch was president of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (AMPAS) from 1973-77 and was presented with the Thalberg Memorial Award (1978) and the Hersholt Humanitarian Award (1983) by the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences (AMPAS); received the UCLA medal in 1989.

Scope and Content

Collection consists of correspondence, contracts, production files, and copies of scripts for films and television shows produced by Walter M. Mirisch and the Mirisch Corporation.

Indexing Terms

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

Subjects

Mirisch, Walter--Archives.

Mirisch Corporation--Archives.

Motion picture producers and directors--Archives.
Television producers and directors--Archives.

Note: The container list for this collection has been removed due the RESTRICTIONS on the collection. The entire collection is CLOSED and unavailable to the public until the death of Walter M. Mirisch.