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Herbert Becker photographs of  
Meskwaki people, circa 1955

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Herbert Becker photographs of Meskwaki people
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.PhotoLot.38
<b>Date:</b>	circa 1955
<b>Extent:</b>	300 Prints (circa; silver gelatin)
<b>Creator:</b>	Becker, Herbert
<b>Language:</b>	Undetermined .

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## Administrative Information

### Location of Other Archival Materials

The National Anthropological Archives also holds Sol Tax's Fox field notes and Fox Project records (MS 4802) and the University of Chicago Fort Berthold Action Anthropology Project records (MS 4805).

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The Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library holds two photographs by Herbert Sheldon Becker.

### Preferred Citation

Photo lot 38, Herbert Becker photographs of Meskwaki people, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

### Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

### Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

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## Biographical Note

Herbert Sheldon Becker was a student of Sol Tax during his Fox Project (1948-1953) with the University of Chicago and the Mesquaki settlement at Tama, Iowa. Becker later became a photographer associated with the university.

## Scope and Contents

The collection consists of photographs of Mesquaki (Fox) people, probably made during or as part of Sol Tax's action anthropology work with the Fox Tribe. It includes images of people, dances, archery, handicraft, vending, medical examinations, and food preparation at a single event, probably a powwow.

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## Local Call Number(s)

NAA Photo Lot 38

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

- Baseball
- Cooking
- Dance
- Dwellings
- Fox Indians
- Handicraft
- Indians of North America -- Northeast
- Meskwaki (Fox)
- Vending stands

Cultures:

- Fox Indians
- Indians of North America -- Northeast
- Meskwaki (Fox)

Names:

- Fox Project
- Tax, Sol, 1907-1995

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## Addl. KW Subj

Meskwaki; Sauk & Fox