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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	Paul Ma Papers
<b>Date:</b>	1976-2000
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.1469
<b>Creator:</b>	Ma, Paul
<b>Source:</b>	Ma, Linda
<b>Extent:</b>	0.3 Cubic feet (1 box)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Summary:</b>	The collection documents Paul Ma's work as a chef and his efforts to popularize Chinese food in America.

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Collection donated to the Archives Center by Paul and Linda Ma, 2018.

### Processing Information

Collection processed by Vanessa Broussard Simmmons, archivist, 2018.

### Preferred Citation

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## Content Description

The collection documents Paul Ma's work as a chef and his efforts to popularize Chinese food in America. Included in the collection are notes on food, recipes, letters, a photograph album, menus, brochures relating to courses Ma gave on Chinese cuisine, financial documents, examples of "double bookkeeping" (in Chinese and in English) used by Chinese restaurants.

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## Arrangement

Collection is arranged into one series by chronological order.

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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:

- Bookkeeping
- Cooking, Chinese
- Cooks
- Food industry and trade

Types of Materials:

- Brochures
- Color prints (photographs)
- Letters (correspondence)
- Menus
- Notes
- Photograph albums
- Recipes

Names:

- Ma, Linda

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## Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1	<a href="#">Photographs, 1976-2000</a>
Box 1, Folder 2	Ma's Original Store, 1979
Box 1, Folder 3	Paul Ma's Chinese Cooking School, 1982
Box 1, Folder 4	Correspondence, 1982-1987
Box 1, Folder 5	Paul Ma's China Kitchen, 1987-1989, undated
Box 1, Folder 6	Swandong Restaurant and Cooking School, 1988-1997, undated
Box 1, Folder 7	Receipts, 1989
Box 1, Folder 8	Receipts Book and Notes for Sauces, 1991, undated
Box 1, Folder 9	Materials Relating to the Peekskill Area Health Center, 1998
Box 1, Folder 10	The Mandarin's Feast 2 Recipes, undated
Box 1, Folder 11	Recipe Book, undated