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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Imogene Coca Papers
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.1479
Date:	1879-2008
Extent:	7.5 Cubic feet (5 boxes, 4 framed items, 12 accordion folders, two loose stacks)
Source:	Basile, Mark Coca, Imogene
Language:	English
Summary:	The collection documents the life and career of comedian Imogene Coca.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Collection donated to the Archives Center in 2019 by Mark Basile.

Preferred Citation

Imogene Coca Papers, Archives Center, National Museum of American History

Restrictions

Collection is open for research.

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Content Description

The collection documents the life and career of comedian Imogene Coca. It includes family documents and photographs, including some from the 19th century; a family history written by Imogene Coca; several photograph albums; several scrapbooks, including such things as articles and clippings, advertisements for shows, notes, playbills, and photographs; correspondence; diaries; scripts; original scores; sheet music; clippings; transcripts of interviews; awards; and miscellany.

Arrangement

The collection is arranged into one series.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Awards
- Comedians -- United States
- Interviews
- Letters (correspondence) -- 20th century
- Sound recordings -- Discs
- Television personalities
- Variety shows (Television programs) -- Production and direction

Types of Materials:

- Diaries
- Magazines (periodicals) -- 20th century
- Musical scores
- Newspaper clippings
- Photograph albums -- 20th century
- Playbills
- Scrapbooks -- 20th century
- Sheet music -- 20th century

Names:

- Basile, Mark