



Guide to the Breck Wall Photograph Collection

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Wall, Breck
Title:	Breck Wall Photograph Collection
ID:	PH-00344
Date [inclusive]:	approximately 1960 to 1980
Physical Description:	0.08 Cubic Feet (1 hanging folder)
Physical Description:	0.10 Linear Feet
Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	The Breck Wall Photograph Collection, approximately 1960 to 1980, consists of black-and-white photographic prints depicting comedian and entertainer, Breck Wall, and other cast members of the comedy revue, "Bottom's Up!" in Las Vegas, Nevada. Images include scenes from sketches performed on the show, group shots of the cast members off-set, and portraits of Wall.

Preferred Citation

Breck Wall Photograph Collection, approximately 1960-1980. PH-00344. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Biographical Note

Breck Wall was born Billy Ray Wilson on November 21, 1934 in Jacksonville, Florida. After beginning a career in entertainment, he adopted the stage name Breck Wall and helped launch the comedy revue show "Bottom's Up!" in 1958 at the Aldophus Hotel in Dallas, Texas. In 1964, Wall and other cast members moved the show to Las Vegas, Nevada and throughout the next four decades, Wall continued writing, producing, and performing on the show at various hotels including the Aladdin, Hacienda Resort Hotel and Casino, the Mint, the Flamingo Hotel & Casino, the Sands Hotel, and Caesar's Palace. Wall died in Las Vegas on November 15, 2010.

Source:

"Show Producer Breck Wall Has Died." Classic Las Vegas. Accessed March 11, 2020. <http://classiclasvegas.squarespace.com/classic-las-vegas-blog/2010/11/16/show-producer-breck-wall-has-died.html>

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Scope and Contents Note

The Breck Wall Photograph Collection, approximately 1960 to 1980, consists of black-and-white photographic prints of comedian and entertainer, Breck Wall, and other cast members of the comedy revue, "Bottom's Up!" in Las Vegas, Nevada. Photographs include scenes from sketches performed on the show. Also included are portraits of Wall and photographs of "Bottom's Up" cast members off-set at a pool and a beach.

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Arrangement

Materials remain as they were received.

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Administrative Information

Access Note

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Acquisition Note

Materials were received by UNLV Special Collections and Archives; accession number 1981-147.

Processing Note

In 2020, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, James Howard wrote the finding aid and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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Related Materials

Related Collection

The following resource may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Breck Wall oral history interview, 2003 July 03. OH-01903. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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Names and Subjects

- photographs
- Comedy -- Las Vegas
- Entertainers
- Theatrical producers and directors

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Photographic prints, approximately 1960 to 1980 (0344_0001-0344_0029) Physical Description: 29 Photographic Prints	folder 01