HAAS, BE (BEATRICE HIRSCH)
Be Haas papers, 1927-1993

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Creator: Haas, Be (Beatrice Hirsch)
Title: Be Haas papers, 1927-1993
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Abstract: Papers of civic and political activist Be Haas of Atlanta, Georgia. The collection includes clippings, programs, photographs and correspondence relating to her awards and honors, organizational involvement, and public relations endeavors.
Language: Materials entirely in English.

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Biographical Note
Beatrice Hirsch Haas, or Be as she preferred to be called, fund-raiser and civic and political activist, was born in Atlanta (1905), the daughter of Monte Louis and Beulah (Fuld) Hirsch. She graduated from Wellesley College (1925).

Be Haas was involved in public relations for C & S Bank, Rich's, Montags, Columbus Bank and Trust, Fulton County Centennial (1950-1954). She formed her own fund-raising consultant firm, Grizzard and Haas (1955-?).

Haas's civic and political involvement included serving on the Committee of City and County Government (1935) in Atlanta, Fulton County (Ga.) Grand Jury on Local Government Committee (1940), Committee to Revise Constitution of Georgia (1943), Fund for Adult Education -Ford Foundation (1954-1960), Defense Advisory Committee Women in Armed Services (1952-1956). She was also active in the League of Women Voters (1930-1950).

Be Haas was also the recipient of several awards including Walter Winchell Outstanding Civic Service Award by Atlanta Georgian (1936), Women of the Year in Civic Affairs (1945), Woman of the Year in Business (1961), Shining Light Award (1988).


Scope and Content Note
The Be Haas papers consist of materials relating to her awards and honors, organizational involvement, and public relations endeavors from 1927-1993. Biographical information, speeches and writings by Haas, photograph, and correspondence are also included.

Materials in the awards and honors grouping includes clippings, programs, photographs and correspondence regarding Haas receiving Women of the Year in Civic Affairs (1945), Women of the Year in Business (1961), Shining Light Award (1988), and other awards and citations. These materials are arranged according to award).

Organizational involvement materials includes printed material, clippings, correspondence, photographs related to Haas's involvement with the League of Women Voters, Atlanta Local Government Commission, Commission to Redraft the Constitution of Georgia, National Defense Advisory Committee for Women in the Services, Fund for Adult Education: National Committee on Study Grants. These materials are also arranged according to organization.

The final major grouping contains materials relating to Haas's public relations endeavors. Correspondence flyers, clippings, printed material, and programs pertaining to The Women's Finance Forum, Citizen and Southern Grand Opening, Montag Brothers, Inc. are included. Information about Grizzard and Haas in the form of an article and an invitation and clipping about the opening reception of Alexander O'Neil Haas are also contained in this grouping.

Arrangement Note
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## Awards and Honors received by Be Haas

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**Organizational Involvement by Be Haas**

1. League of Women Voters: Correspondence: Lenecia Bruce to Haas, 1993
2. League of Women Voters: Constitution revisions: Information sheets, correspondence, 1944, 1946-1947 (Photocopies of original materials located at GDAH)
4. League of Women Voters: Open Primary: Correspondence, press release, information sheet, printed material, 1946 (Portions are photocopies of original materials located at GDAH)
5. League of Women Voters: Prison Reform: Printed material, 1943, 1945 (Photocopies of original materials located at GDAH)
6. League of Women Voters: Public Health: Printed material, 1945, [1940's?]
7. League of Women Voters: State Merit System: Printed material, 1947
8. League of Women Voters: Photograph, 1950
10. Atlanta Local Government Commission: Letter of appointment, 21 February 1940
11. Atlanta Local Government Commission: Clippings, 1940
12. Commission to Redraft the Constitution of Georgia: Telegrams of appointment, 1944
13. Commission to Redraft the Constitution of Georgia: Analysis, summary, membership, [1940's]
15. United States Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services: Correspondence, 1953
18. United States Defense Advisory Committee on Women in the Services: Citation, October 1, 1956
19. Fund for Adult Education: National Committee on Study Grants: Correspondence, 1953, 1957
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21 Fund for Adult Education: National Committee on Study Grants: Clippings and printed material, 1954, 1957-1958
22 Fund for Adult Education: Institute of Citizenship, 1955

Women's Finance Forum:
23 Atlanta, October 18, 25 and November 1, 8, 15, 1950
24 Atlanta, January 31, 1951 and February 7, 14, 21, 28
25 Savannah, March 6, 13, 20, 27 and April 3, 1951
26 Macon, March 28 and April 4, 11, 18, 25, 1951
27 Athens, April 27 and May 2, 9, 16, 23, 1951
28 Augusta, October 5, 12, 19, 26 and November 2, 1951
29 Atlanta, January 30 and February 6, 13, 20, 27, 1952
30 Valdosta, March 11, 18, 25 and April 1, 8, 1952
31 Albany, October 16, 23, 30 and November 6, 1952
32 Columbus, October 20, 27 and November 3, 10, 1953
33 Correspondence, 1953
34 Citizens and Southern Grand Opening, June 3, 1952: Invitation, program, promotional materials
35 Metropolitan Opera Fund: Atlanta Campaign, 1953: Financial information
36 Montag Brothers, Inc.: Open House, June 4, 1954: Invitation, correspondence, promotional material
37 Fulton County Centennial, September 22, 1954: Program, information sheet
38 Alexander Memorial Campaign, 1955: Financial information
39 Forward Atlanta, 1961: Clipping and printed material

Grizzard and Haas

40 "Grizzard and Haas" by Doris Lockerman: Photocopied typescript, undated

Alexander O'Neill Haas, Inc.

41 Reception: Invitation and clipping, 1988

Miscellaneous

42 Response to Sun. article, undated
43 Printed material, undated