## Descriptive Summary

**Creator:** Haynes, Hilda, 1912-1986.  
**Title:** Hilda Haynes collection, 1927-1988  
**Call Number:** Manuscript Collection No. 1342  
**Extent:** 1.25 linear feet (3 boxes), 3 oversized papers (OP), and AV Masters: .5 linear feet (CLP2)  
**Abstract:** Collection of material relating to African American actress Hilda Haynes including personal papers, photographs, printed material, and audiovisual material.  
**Language:** Materials entirely in English.

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Collection Description

Biographical Note
Hilda Haynes (1912-1986), African American actress, was born in New York City, New York, as Hilda Mocile Lashley. She was known primarily for her work on the stage and appeared in plays including *The Great White Hope* (1968). In the 1940s, she was a member of the American Negro Theater. She also appeared in films *Home from the Hill* (1960), *The Boy in the Plastic Bubble* (1976), and *The Miracle Worker* (1979), as well as in television shows such as *Gimme a Break!* (1982). Haynes married in 1937 and had one son, Christopher Curtis Haynes. She died in 1986.

Scope and Content Note
The collection consists of materials relating to African American actress Hilda Haynes, including personal papers, photographs, printed material, and audiovisual material. Personal papers contain a small amount of correspondence, estate documents, resumes, notes, and training records, but consists primarily of writings by Haynes and others. There are several speeches and essays by Haynes including "The Negro in Film," "The Negro in the Performing Arts," and "The Animal Kingdom in Revolt." There is also a typescript of a poem by Langston Hughes, "Madam to you: 12 Poems Concerning the Life and Times of Alberta K. Johnson," as well as a play script by William Greaves, "The Sweet Flypaper of Life," based on the book by Langston Hughes and Roy DeCarava. Photographs consist of headshots, portraits, and snapshots of Haynes and her son, as well as cast photos from *Home from the Hill* and photographs of other actors. Printed material includes fliers and programs from plays in which Haynes appeared, as well as a handful of programs from performances she attended. Many of the programs are autographed by the actors and performers. There is also sheet music from musicals such as *Show Boat, Porgy and Bess*, and *Flower Drum Song*, however there are no complete scores in the collection. Audiovisual material consists entirely of records of jazz, blues, and historical narratives. Many of the record sleeves are autographed by the bands.

Arrangement Note
Arranged by record type, then in alphabetical order.
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1 27 Haynes, Hilda, proof sheets, circa 1970s
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1 29 Haynes, Hilda, wedding party, 1937
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1 30 Haynes, Hilda with unidentified man and woman at Bowman's Rainbow Room (Harlem, New York, New York), 1953
1 31 Home from the Hill, cast publicity photos, 1960
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1 32 Unidentified baby, undated
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1 34 Wyatt, Jane, The Awful Truth, 1950

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1 35 Advertisement, Ilse Redlich (New York, New York), undated
1 36 Clippings, undated
1 37 Flier, Municipal Art Gallery (Los Angeles, California), exhibition of works by Charles White, undated
1 38 Newsletter, Screen Actors Guild, 1978
1 39 Novena card, Shrine of St. Jude Thaddeus (Chicago, Illinois), undated
1 40 Poster, Black America on Stage, Graduate School and University Center of the City University of New York (New York, New York), 1978
2  1 Poster, "You think you've got problems! ...How'd you like to be flat-busted and broke at the same time!!" 1965
2  2 Program, Anna Lucasta, 1947
2  3 Program, Anniversary Waltz, 1957 [autographed by cast with notes to Haynes]
2  4 Program, Carmen, circa 1950
2  5 Program, Detective Story, 1951
2  6 Program, Golden Boy, 1968
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2 12 Program, A Streetcar Named Desire, undated [fragment]
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2 14 Robeson, Paul, obituaries and tributes, 1976
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2  28  Sheet music, Speak to Me of Love, 1930
2  29  Sheet music, "That's All," 1952

Audiovisual material

CLP2 -  Armstrong, Louis, Hello Dolly!, undated [autographed by Armstrong] [original: phonograph record]
CLP2 -  The Black Academy of Arts and Letters, First Annual Awards Banquet, 1970
CLP2 -  The Essential Paul Robeson, 1974 [original: phonograph record]
CLP2 -  The Glory of Negro History, written and narrated by Langston Hughes, 1958
CLP2 -  The Great White Hope, cast recording, circa 1968 [original: phonograph record]
CLP2 -  The Kid Thomas Band with Raymond Burke, The Famous Tulane Jazz Archive Session, undated [autographed by band members] [original: phonograph record]
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