## Finding aid for the

**Bob Baker collection, circa 1879 - 2012 (bulk 1936 - 2008)** 

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## **Descriptive Summary**

#### Title

**Bob Baker Collection circa 1879 – 2012 (bulk 1936 – 2008)** 

#### **Collection Number**

BB\_b001 - BB\_b068

#### Extent

45 linear feet 68 boxes (53 boxes; 5 Oversize boxes; 10 flat boxes)

## Repository

The Los Angeles Public Library. Photo Collection Los Angeles, California 90071

#### Abstract

The Bob Baker Collection contains photographs, negatives, slides, print materials, correspondence, ephemera, scrapbooks, photo albums and audio cassettes that relate to the life and nearly eight decade long career of Los Angeles puppeteer, Bob Baker (1924 – 2014), co-founder of the Bob Baker Marionette Theater. The collection documents Baker's professional activities including the performances and events that have taken place at the theater and on tour, partner Alton Wood and staff puppeteers, film and television projects, displays and exhibits, the workshop and process of creating marionettes, as well as work with Disney. Personal photographs and papers document Baker's family, his childhood, friends and colleagues, travel and areas of Los Angeles.

## Physical Location

Periodical Pool

## **Administrative Information**

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## **Provenance/Source of Acquisition**

Gift of Robert A. Baker III Trust, September 25, 2013

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## **Processing History**

Rachel Mandell processed the professional series of the collection during an L.A. as Subject residency from August to September 2015. Christine Adolph completed revisions to the professional series, processed the personal and family history series and completed finding aid from September 2016 through September 2017.

### Biography/History

Bob Baker (Robert Allison Baker III) was born on February 9, 1924 in Los Angeles. He discovered marionettes at the age of six when he saw his first puppet show at Barker Brothers department store downtown. He started lessons with puppeteer, Henri Gordon and began performing professionally at the age of 8. His first theater and workshop was in the garages behind his family home on New Hampshire Avenue in Koreatown, where he lived his entire life. After graduating from Hollywood High School and briefly serving in the Army Air Corps Camouflage division in WWII, he became an apprentice at George Pal's studio where he learned stop-motion animation techniques. He was promoted to lead animator of Pal's *Puppetoons* series within a year, but left during labor disputes. Baker went on to manufacture a commercial line of puppets that sold in department stores throughout the country and opened a studio on 7761 Santa Monica Boulevard. He created window displays and installations for department stores and local businesses and found work in film and the new medium of television. In 1949, he produced *The Adventures of Bobo*, which was the first commercial puppet show to be televised on KFI from the West Coast. That year Baker met aspiring concert pianist Alton Wood and they began the partnership of Bob Baker Productions. Wood and Baker developed theater-in-the round puppet revues, which brought the puppeteers and marionettes out into the audience.

They formed the Bob Baker Marionettes touring company and performed shows at private parties, state fairs, carnivals, schools, and women's clubs throughout California.

In 1963, Baker and Wood converted a 7500 square foot former movie scenery shop into the Bob Baker Marionette Theater at 1345 1st street and Glendale Blvd just west of Downtown Los Angeles. The theater served as a popular venue for Baker and Wood's elaborate puppet musical repertoires and housed a workshop for the onsite production of sets and marionettes for the shows and touring company. The theater also hosted children's birthday parties, tours and events and the Academy of Puppetry and Allied Arts, where high school students could learn the art of puppetry.

Bob Baker Productions continued to create puppet for films, television series, commercials, and variety shows. During Baker's long career in the industry, some credits include Judy Garland's *A Star is Born*, Elvis Presley's *G.I. Blues*, and Disney's *Bedknobs and Broomsticks*. Baker had a long working relationship with Disney. Beginning as an animation advisor in the 1940s, he designed promotional displays for shops on Main Street at Disneyland and Disneyworld from 1968 through 1972, and produced Disney Marionette collectibles, which were sold at the theme parks. Baker also served as Governor of the Academy of Motion Pictures Arts and Sciences and the Academy of Television Arts and Science animation divisions, and as President of the Los Angeles Puppet Guild.

Alton Wood passed away on October 9, 2001. Baker experienced financial difficulties and the theater was only able to remain open with assistance from the Ahmanson Foundation and other donors in 2008. In 2009, the theater was recognized by the Los Angeles City Council as a designated historic-cultural landmark. On November 28, 2014, Bob Baker died at the age of 90 as a result of age-related illness. The Bob Baker Marionette Theater remains the longest running permanent puppet theater in the United States.<sup>1</sup>

## **Family History**

Baker's maternal great grandfather, Hadji Agha Manassian, who also went by Hadji Agha Peters and Peter Peters, came to the United States from Armenia. He lived with his wife and children, Paul, Sophia, Arthur (Arshag) and Julia (Baker's grandmother) in Boston and Philadelphia before moving to Fresno in 1883 to purchase forty acres of land to start a raisin farm. They were among the first Armenian immigrants to settle in the area. Sophia Peters married and moved to Santa Barbara. Arthur Peters moved to Oakland and had four children: Edward, Roxie, Henrietta and Ernie. Edward married Dorothy and had two

All of the biographical information has been taken and summarized from the obituary on Bob Baker from the Los Angeles Times on November 28, 2014 <a href="http://www.latimes.com/local/obituaries/la-me-bob-baker-20141129-story.html">http://www.latimes.com/local/obituaries/la-me-bob-baker-20141129-story.html</a> and press releases from the collection.

children, Roberta and Albert. Henrietta married Bill Richard in 1940. A cousin Pete Peters Jr. lived in Fresno and worked for the Southern Pacific Railroad. Julia Esther Peters (1865 – 1948) married Andrew Seamans and had two children, Joseph Edward Seamans (Joe) born June 1, 1888, and Baker's mother, Violet (who went by Vi), born September 5, 1894. Andrew Seamans left Julia and the children for his childhood sweetheart in 1898. Julia and the children went to Santa Barbara, then moved to Los Angeles sometime after 1906. Julia worked as a dressmaker, and the family lived downtown and in the Westlake area of Los Angeles at residences on 521 and 946 W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, W. 9<sup>th</sup> Street and W. 11<sup>th</sup> Street. Joe Seamans worked as a salesman and sold camera equipment at Earl V. Lewis Co., Tufts-Lyons Arms Co., and Slavick's. He was in a thirty–five year relationship with girlfriend, Ethel Dean. They separated in the late 1940s and he married Estelle "Billie" Obdyke in the early 1950s.

Baker's paternal grandfather Robert Allison Baker (1857 – 1947) was born in Philadelphia and moved to Alexandria, Virginia where he married Mary Crowsdale Dunham (1862 – 1915), who was a descendent of William Penn. They had two sons Willis C. Baker (1899 - 1922) and Robert "Al" Allison Baker Jr. (Bob Baker's father) born August 16, 1892. They moved to Coalinga, CA where Baker Sr.'s brother Ruben or R.C. Baker, owned Baker Tool & Oil Co. (Baker Oil Tools Inc.). Daughter Hannah Eastburn (1896 – 1974) was born in Coalinga before the family moved to Highland Park area of Los Angeles. In 1902, Baker Sr. started the building materials firm, R.A. Baker Co. on Pasadena Avenue, later called R.A. Baker & Son. After Mary Baker passed away in 1915, Baker Sr. married Carrie Mae Hampton Irish, who had two daughters, Alta Twombey and Helen Fuller. Willis Baker attended Occidental College and moved to San Diego in 1910 and worked as a staff artist and art department manager of the San Diego Union newspaper. In 1919, he survived crash in seaplane S.D -1 along the coast of California while riding with a pilot to photograph Navy fleet returning from WWI. Willis Baker died at the age of 33 on July 22, 1922 from a heart condition. He had a wife Frances and one daughter, Phyllis. Hannah Baker married Maury Mann and lived in Altadena with their children Maury Mann Jr. Mary Ellen and Willis "Tut".

Bob Baker's parents, Al Baker and Violet Seamans married on March 15, 1917 and honeymooned in San Diego. Al Baker worked as a salesman for Good Year Tire & Rubber Company and they bought a fourplex on 217 - 219 N. New Hampshire Avenue before Bob was born in 1924. Violet's mother, Julia and brother, Joe also lived in the complex. Al died on May 24, 1949 and Violet passed away June 3, 1978.

## **Scope and Content**

The Bob Baker collection contains 45 linear feet of photographs, negatives, slides, print materials, correspondence, ephemera, scrapbooks, photo albums and audio cassettes that pertain to the personal life and professional activities of Bob Baker, co-founder of the Bob Baker Marionette Theater. Professional materials document Baker's nearly eight decade long career as a puppet maker and puppeteer from 1936 to 2012, including performances of puppet shows, parties and events at the Bob Baker Marionette Theater and touring road shows; partner Alton Wood, staff and colleagues; publicity, window displays, installations, exhibits, and the construction of marionettes, sets, commissioned work and commercial puppets in Baker's workshops. The collection also documents Baker's work in film and television and his work for Disney, including films, Disneyland window displays and a commercial line of collectible Disney marionettes. Personal photographs and papers document Baker's maternal and paternal family from the East Coast, Fresno, Los Angeles and Oakland; Baker's childhood, significant areas of Los Angeles, friends, colleagues, and travel.

More detailed information about the scope and content of each of the 15 series are as follows:

#### **Series 1: Performances and Events**

Series 1 contains photographs that document Bob Baker Marionettes touring company road shows and performances and events at the Bob Baker Marionette Theater. Images of the touring roads shows include stage construction, set up and appearances at fairs, festivals, schools, private parties and community events throughout California and out of state, beginning in the 1950s before the Theater opened in 1963, until 2008. Specific road shows depicted are: Something to Crow About, The Circus, Woodland Fantasy, Get Happy, Over a Garden Wall, Enchanted Toy Shop, Circus and Spooks, Sketch Book Revue, Fiesta and Marionette Varieties. There are also photographs of Le Petite Theater, which Baker built in the garage behind his home on New Hampshire Avenue in 1936. Also included is a file of promotional materials from Jean Hauge manager of the Children's Party Shop in Bullocks department store, who hired Baker to perform at parties in the 1930s and 40s. Professional events include puppetry guilds, the Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, puppetry colleagues and other puppet theaters. Photographs of the Bob Baker Marionette Theater include images of specific shows, including Sketch Book Review, the first show produced at the theater in 1963; studio tours, Christmas shows and décor, birthday parties and special events.

## **Series 2: Publicity**

Series 2 contains publicity photographs created to promote Bob Baker's work and the shows produced for the Bob Baker Marionette Theater and touring company. Some photographs ran in newspapers and press publications and some were created for use in promotional materials. Photographs from the 1940s

through the 1950s include early versions of the show *The Circus* and Baker's performances at Milliron's Department Store in 1947; Baker's commercial puppets and Bobo the clown, a marionette featured in Baker's early puppet shows and in the TV program *The Adventures of Bobo*. Images depict Bob Baker and Alton Wood, puppeteers and marionettes and shows including: *The Circus, Varieties, Over a Garden Wall, Woodland Fantasy, Something to Crow About, All Aboard for Gingerbread Square*, Enchanted *Toyshop, Holiday Brew, The Nutcracker, Get Happy, Sketch Book Revue*, and *Fiesta*.

### Series 3 Workshop

Series 3 consists of photographs relating to behind the scenes of the Bob Baker Marionette Theater and Bob Baker and his creative staff at work, including the construction of marionettes, sets, and special projects. The series contains photographs of Baker's studio on 7761 Santa Monica Blvd. and Baker's first workshop in the garage behind his home 219 N. New Hampshire Avenue, where he constructed sets and puppets for *Something to Crow About* circa 1958 and the revamping of the production of *The Circus* in 1960. Photographs of the Bob Baker Marionette Theater on 1st street include images of the interior and exterior of the building, including the site before purchase in 1963; the stage area, sound library, party room, workshop area and staff, puppets created for the theater's shows, commissioned projects, including celebrity busts for the Famous People Players Theater in Toronto; and commercial collectible puppets created for sale.

#### Series 4: Film/Television

Series 4 documents the film and television projects that Bob Baker was involved in throughout his professional career. Photographs include production stills and behind the scenes images from commercials, television series, variety shows, and films that feature Baker's puppetry work, marionettes and sculpted props. Included are photographs from the set of *The Adventures of Bobo* on KFI, which Baker produced in 1949. Photographs also document the educational films that were shot in the Bob Baker Marionette Theater and sets and puppets for film projects created at the theater and Baker's New Hampshire Ave. workshop. Some celebrity headshots are autographed with inscriptions to Baker and some may have been used for reference.

## **Series 5: Display and Exhibits**

Series 5 documents displays, installations and exhibits that featured the work of Bob Baker. Includes documentation of original displays for department stores and businesses constructed by Baker and his staff, including window displays at Robinsons Co. in 1945 and 1948, and Christmas displays for Bullocks in Pasadena and the *Los Angeles Times*. Photographs also document exhibits featuring marionettes from Baker's shows, film work and commercial collections, including the annual exhibits in the Fine Arts Building in downtown Los Angeles and group puppetry shows.

#### Series 6: Disney

Series 6 contains photographs, ephemera, reference material, negatives and slides that from Baker's work with Walt Disney Studios and Disneyland. The series documents the construction of the Bob Baker Disney Marionette Collection of collectible characters, which were sold at Disneyland. Photographs and slides from 1968 - 1972 document the construction of the figures for window displays created for the Emporium Shop on Main Street in Disneyland, which recreated scenes from the films *Peter Pan*, 101 Dalmatians, Sleeping Beauty, The Aristocats, and Bedknobs and Broomsticks. Films Baker worked on are represented with production stills from Escape from Witch Mountain and production stills and workshop photographs for Bedknobs and Broomsticks.

## **Series 7: Professional Papers**

Series 7 consists of print materials and ephemera relating to the Bob Baker Marionette Theater, Bob Baker's touring performances and film and television work. Items include Baker's puppet journal from 1936, correspondence, handwritten notations, sketches, concept drawings of the theater; clippings, publications, brochures, flyers, business cards, production schedules, press releases and appointment books. Also included are clippings about George Pal and clippings and cards from Bob Clampett. Many of the items are related to photographs found in the collection, however there is not a 1 to 1 correspondence.

#### **Series 8: Photo Albums**

Series 8 contains arranged compilations of photographs into albums, short books and portfolios created to showcase Baker's film work, specific performances, the Bob Baker Marionette Theater, and Baker's work before the theater opened as Bob Baker Marionettes and Bob Baker's Marionettes of Hollywood commercial puppets. Many of the compilations correspond to photographs in the collection.

#### Series 9: Negatives/Slides/Oversize Items

Series 9 contains negatives, slides and oversized prints that directly correspond to the photographs in the collection or provide additional coverage of subjects. Slides depicting images not represented by photographs are performances at the Bob Baker Marionette Theater of *Something to Crow About, Fiesta, The Circus* and *LA Ole* from 1972 -1976 and 1982; concept designs for the theater, the theater workshop in 1975, assorted puppets, and the *Alphabet People* TV show in St. Louis. The majority of the oversized items are enlarged duplicates and mounted prints of photos in the collection and cover performances, the workshops publicity and film and television work.

#### **Series 10: Audio Cassettes**

Series 10 contains 16 audio cassettes. Eight cassette tapes contain recorded dictation by Baker, in preparation for talks and a possible book, where he discusses his memories growing up in Los Angeles, his artistic influences, colleagues, Disney, his career in puppetry and the Bob Baker Marionette Theater. In the tapes recorded for Kevin Butler's Curio Shop in 1990, Baker

discusses his work projects and colleagues during the early days of television. There are also meeting minutes, music recordings, blank tapes, and commercial albums and soundtracks.

## **Series 11: Personal and Family Photographs**

Series 11 documents Baker's family, friends and colleagues, travel, his home on New Hampshire Avenue and areas of Los Angeles. There are photographs of Alton Wood throughout the series. Family photographs and cabinet cards depict Baker's parents, Violet (or Vi) Seamans Baker and Robert Allison Baker Jr. (RA Baker Jr. or Al) and their extended families. Maternal family members include Baker's great grandfather Peter Peters (Hadji Agha Manassian) who immigrated from Armenia to the East Coast and moved to Fresno in 1883 to start a raisin farm; Baker's grandmother Julia (Peters) Seamans, her sister Sophia, her brother Paul Peters, nephew Pete Peters Jr., her husband and Baker's grandfather Andrew Seamans, and Vi's brother and Baker's uncle Joseph (Joe) Seamans. Joe Seamans sold camera equipment and shot many of the family photographs. Paternal Family members include Bob Baker's grandfather Robert Allison Baker (RA Baker) and his building materials company in Highland Park; his wives, his brother R.C., and Al's siblings Willard and Hannah. Also included are a group of photographs of Don Sahlin, Baker's colleague and close family friend, who designed characters and Muppets for Jim Henson Studios.

## Series 12: Personal and Family Negatives and Slides

Series 12 contains negatives that correspond to photographs in the collection. Many negatives and slides were shot by Joe Seamans, and include glass slides of Bob Baker and family from 1938, images from 1907 - 1910 of friends, family, downtown Los Angeles, Long Beach and surrounding areas that correspond to his photo album, and slides of his travels from the 1950s.

#### **Series 13 Personal and Family Papers**

Series 13 contains correspondence, clippings, financial papers and ephemera of Bob Baker's family: R.A. Baker, Carrie Baker, Willard Baker, R.A. Baker Jr. and Violet Baker. Materials relating to Bob Baker include correspondence and cards, clippings, schoolwork, yearbooks, childhood artwork, sheet music and ephemera.

#### **Series 14: Photo Albums and Scrapbooks**

Series 14 contains Bob Baker's family photo albums and scrapbooks. Photo albums created by his uncle Joe Seamans and his parents Violet and R.A. Baker Jr. include images of friends and family and areas of Los Angeles and Long Beach from 1910 through the 1920s. Violet Baker's cousin, Peter Peters Jr's photo albums include images of friends, family, travel and Fresno from 1918 – 1961. Bob Baker's scrapbooks include his baby book from 1924, his childhood, and compilations of letters from 1943 when he served in the Army Air Corps.

#### Series 15: Objects and Oversized Items

Series 15 contains personal items and mementos that belonged to Violet and R.A. Baker Jr. and Bob Baker's baby clothes, shoes, brush and hat. Oversize items correspond with the series in the collection and include cards, drawings of Peter Peters, his wife and Joe Seamans, Bob Baker's illustrated school report and photographs of Violet Baker and R.A. Baker Jr.'s Elk's Lodge.

## **Organization and Arrangement**

The collection is arranged into 15 series:

Series 1: Performances and Events, 1936 - 2012

Series 2: Publicity, 1944 - 2008

Series 3: Workshop, 1945 - 2008

Series 4: Film and Television, 1937 - 2003

Series 5: Display and Exhibits, 1946 – circa 2008

Series 6: Disney, 1968 - 2010

Series 7: Professional Papers, 1936 - 2010

Series 8: Photo Albums and Portfolios, 1945 - 2004

Series 9 Negatives/Slides/Oversize Items, 1936 – 2008

Series 10: Audio Cassettes 1987 - 2009

Series 11: Personal and Family Photographs circa 1870s - 2008

Series 12: Personal and Family Negatives and Slides, 1910 - 1982

Series 13: Personal and Family Papers, 1903 - 2000

Series 14: Photo Albums and Scrapbooks, 1910 - 1943

Series 15: Objects and Oversize Items, 1907 – circa 1970s

Materials are arranged by subject and format. Notations are made in the container list to indicate when photographs and contact sheets correspond to negatives, slides, ephemera, correspondence, albums or oversized items. All items related to Disney, including images of workshop and performance, ephemera, negatives and slides, are in Series 6: Disney.

## **Indexing Terms**

Baker, Bob Wood, Alton Bob Baker Marionettes Bob Baker Marionette Theater Disneyland (Calif.) Walt Disney Productions

Puppet Theaters-California-Los Angeles

Children's theater

Marionettes

Hand puppets

Puppet making

Puppets on television

Puppet films

Puppet plays

Photography of families

Disney characters

## **Genre/ Format**

Photographic prints Photograph albums

Snapshots

Cabinet cards

Negatives

Slides

Audiocassettes

Printed ephemera

#### **Container List**

## Series 1: Performances & Events 1936 – 2008 (BB\_b001 - BB\_b008) 4 Linear Feet

## Box 001 (BB\_b001) Performances & Events: Touring Road Shows

BB\_b001\_F1: Something to Crow About

- Laguna Festival of Arts, Irvine Bowl, August, 1959 -1960
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F1
  - Relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB\_b035\_F1

## BB\_b001\_F2: Something to Crow About

- National Date Festival, Indio, February, 1960
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F1

## BB\_b001\_F3: Something to Crow About

- National Orange Show, San Bernardino, April, 1960
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F1
  - Relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB\_b035\_F1

## BB\_b001\_F4: Something to Crow About -

- San Diego County Fair, Del Mar, June, 1960
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F1
  - o Relates to Ephemera: Something to Crow About BB b025 F4
  - Includes print of letter from Secretary-Manager dated July 19, 1960
- Paso Robles stage construction circa 1960
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events- BB\_b031\_F1
- Christmas road show, 1969
- Road shows, circa 1965,1968, circa 1997

## Box 002 (BB\_b002) Performances & Events: Touring Road Shows

## BB\_b002\_F1: The Circus

- New Mexico State Fair, Albuquerque, 1951
  - o Relates to Ephemera: Touring Road Show Performances BB\_b025\_F6
- Laguna Festival of Arts, Irvine Bowl, 1961
  - Relates to Oversize Items BB b039
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F1
  - Relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB\_b035\_F1
- California Museum of Science and Industry circa 1970
- Park circa 1976

## BB\_b002\_F2: Woodland Fantasy:

- Torrance, 1953
- School gymnasium, 1953
- School gymnasium circa 1956
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F2
- Fellowship Hall circa 1956
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F2
- Hindshaw's Department Store, Whittier circa 1956
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F1

## BB\_b002\_F3: Get Happy:

- Laguna Festival of Arts, Irvine Bowl, 1962
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F2
- Road show circa 1962
- Road show performance at school, 1962
  - Relates to Negatives: Performance and Events BB\_b031\_F2

#### BB\_b002\_F4: Over A Garden Wall, 1964

- Kings County Fair, Hanford CA
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F2
- Paso Robles, CA
- School performance Polaroid

## BB\_b002\_F5: Enchanted Toy Shop/ Welcome to Gingerbread Square

- School Auditorium, 1958
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F2
- Naval Base San Diego circa 1961
- San Diego Fair, Del Mar, 1968

## BB\_b002\_F6: Sketch Book Revue/ Circus and Spooks

- Sketch Book Revue
  - Laguna Festival of Arts circa 1963
    - Relates to Oversize items BB b039
    - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F2

- Convention, Sacramento circa 1967
- o Private party, 1972
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F2
  - Relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB b035 F1
- Circus and Spooks, San Diego Fair, Del Mar, circa 1973

## BB\_b002\_F7: Fiesta – 1969 – 1974, circa 2000

- Palmdale school, 1970
- Road Show, 1970
- San Diego County Fair, Del Mar circa 1970
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events—BB\_b031\_F2
- National Orange Show, San Bernardino, 1969 circa 1970
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F2
- Kings County Fair, Hanford CA, 1974
- Outdoor Mall circa 1974
- Road show, unidentified theater circa 2000
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F2

## Box 003 (BB\_b003) Performances & Events: Appearances/Road Shows

BB b003 F1: *Marionette Varieties*, 1936 – 1953, circa 1962

- Petite Theater, N. New Hampshire Studio, 1936
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F3
- Birthday Parties, 1950
- Christmas Show, 1951
  - Relates to Oversize Items BB b039
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F3
- Night Owl Meeting, Beaumont, CA, 1952
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events- BB\_b031\_F3
- Methodist Hospital League Christmas show, 1953
- School performance circa 1962

## BB\_b003\_F2: Jean Hague's Children's Party Shop, Bullock's circa 1930s – 1940s

- Relates to Negatives: Performances & Events BB\_b031\_F1
- Relates to Oversize Items BB b039
- Photographs and ephemera given to Bob Baker by Jean Hague, manager of the Children's Party Shop, who hired Baker for parties
- Includes images of the shop, children's birthday parties, entertainers and radio personalities

## BB\_b003\_F3: Appearances by event, 1956 – 1968

- Thunderbird Country Club, Easter, 1956
  - o Relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB\_b035\_F1
- Children's Hospital, 1958
- Christmas Show, West Hollywood Playground, 1958
- Puppets on Parade, Boron, CA, 1958
- Trona, CA, 1959
  - Relates to Negative: Performances and Events BB b031 F3
- NBC party, Bob Baker and Alton Wood, 1954
  - o Includes correspondence dated January 6, 1954
- NBC party, Burbank, 1961
- Adolph's Burbank Royal Tahitian, 1961
  - O Relates to Photo Album BB b029

- Senior Home performance circa 1963
- Cedars Sinai Medical Center event circa 1964
- Style show circa 1965

### BB\_b003\_F4: Appearances/ Touring Road Shows by event, 1966 -1977

- Topanga Plaza, 1966, 1974
- Rory Calhoun's Christmas party circa 1968
  - o Relates to Negative: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F3
- Christmas road show, 1969
- Sportsmen's Lodge circa 1970
- Librascope company picnic, July 23, 1977

## BB\_b003\_F5: Appearances/Touring Road Shows by event, 1982 – circa 1989

- El Nigel County Club, December, 1981
  - o Includes correspondence: letter from manager dated January 6, 1982
- Bob Baker and Tom Ray unidentified private party circa 1985
- New Year's event stage set up, 1985
- Holiday event circa 1986
- Rancho California Plaza, 1987
  - o Relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB b035 F1
- Bob Baker and Santa Claus Polaroid, undated
- Set for road show at unidentified theater circa 1989
- Road Show, unidentified, 1989

## BB\_b003\_F6: Appearances/Touring Co. Road Show by event, 1989 - 1992

- Fashion Island Mall, Newport Beach, November 1989
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- El Dorado Country Club Easter performance, circa 1990 1992
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Unidentified events circa 1990, stage set up, 1992

## Box 004 (BB\_b004) Performances & Events: Appearances/Road Shows

BB\_b004\_F1: Appearances/ Touring Road Shows by event, 1995

- Private party luau circa 1995
- UCLA circa 1995
  - O Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F4
- Hospital Special show, 1995
- Beverly Hills Theater Guild, 1995
- LAPL Children's Literature Department, Central Library, 1995
  - o Includes correspondence: letter dated January 20, 1995

## BB\_b004\_F2: Appearances/ Touring Road shows by event, 1996 – 1999

- North Hollywood Theater and Arts Festival, June 1996
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Florence Avenue Elementary School, 1997
- Unidentified events circa 1997 1999

## BB\_b004\_F3: Appearances/ Touring Road Shows by event, 2000 – 2008

- Unidentified events circa 2000
- Pilgrim School circa 2000
- Bob Baker, 2000
- La Golandrina, 2001, 2003
  - o Includes correspondence: letters dated December 18, 2001, March 25, 2003
- Fulfillment Fund Holiday party, 2002

- o Includes correspondence: December 9, 2002
- Day of the Dead, Los Angeles Plaza Park, 2003
  - Relates to Photo Album BB b030
- Levitt Pavilion, Pasadena, June 2005
- Bob Baker and Sturdevant children, 2005
- Huntington Park Holiday Parade circa 2005
- Levitt Pavilion MacArthur Park, 2008

BB\_b004\_F4: Touring Road Shows – County Fairs, Southern California, 1965 – 1976

- Orange County Fair, Costa Mesa, 1965
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F1
- Orange Show, San Bernardino, 1965, 1968-1969, 1974, 1976
- San Diego County Fair, Del Mar, 1965, 1968-1969, 1974, 1976

BB\_b004\_F5: Touring Road Shows- Central and Northern California, 1965 – 1976

- Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Includes correspondence dated October 29, 1991 for photos from 1968

## Box 005 (BB\_b005) Performances & Events: Touring Road Shows

BB\_b005\_F1: Touring – Central California Fairs circa 1991, 1995

Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events - BB\_b031\_F4

BB\_b005\_F2: Touring - Solano County Fair, Vallejo, 1990 - 1994, 1998-1999

- Relates to Negatives: Performances & Events BB b031 F4
- Includes correspondence dated July 21, 1991

BB\_b005\_F3: Touring - Fairs

- Merced County Fair, 1990, 1992, 1995
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F4
- Napa County Fair, Calistoga, 1991- 1992, 1996-1997
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Monterrey County Fair, 1991
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Temecula Valley Balloon and Wine Festival, 1995
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances & Events BB\_b031\_F4

BB\_b005\_F4: Touring – Fairs, Central and Northern California

- Fairs circa 1985 1990
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F4
- Silver Dollar Fair, Chico circa 1987
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Plumas Sierra County Fair circa 1987
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F4

## Box 006 (BB\_b006) Performances & Events: Touring Road Shows/Professional events

BB\_b006\_F1: Touring - Fairs

- Fairs circa 1990s
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- California State Fair circa 1997
- Santa Cruz County Fair, 1991
  - o Includes correspondence

- Captain Wilbur, 1991
  - o Relates to: Negatives: Performances and Events BB b031 F4
- Date Festival, Indio, circa 1991 and 1995, 1998
  - o Relates to: Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4

### BB\_b006\_F2: Touring - Out of State Fairs and Festivals

- Red River Exhibition, Winnipeg, Canada, 1978
  - Relates to: Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Canadian National Exhibition, 1978
  - Relates to: Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Kentucky, 1996-1997
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
  - Relates to Ephemera: Touring Road Shows BB\_b025\_F6
- Great Italian Festival Reno, NV 1988-89
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Las Vegas, NV, 1992
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Mesquite, NV, 1992
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4

## BB\_b006\_F3: Professional Events – TV Industry

- Academy of Television Arts & Sciences headquarters opening, 1991
- Academy of Television Arts & Sciences, Board of Governors, 1999
  - o Includes correspondence December 9, 1999
- Pacific Pioneer Broadcaster's Award, 2006

## BB\_b006\_F4: Professional Events – Puppetry Associations

- Puppeteers of America Regional meeting, 1963
- Center for Puppetry Arts, Atlanta, 1989
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Puppeteers of America Puppetry Festival, Ohio, 1997
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- LA Guild of Puppetry, 1998
- Unidentified event circa 1992

## BB\_b006\_F5: Puppetry Colleagues

- Still from Emperor Jones by James Blanding Sloan circa 1930s
- Chiquita Puppeteers, 1959
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Salzburg Marionette Theater circa 1991
- 1976 poster Rene and his Puppet Artists, 1992
- Marie Hitchcock Theater exterior 2005 2006
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F4
- Genii Townsend and Bob Baker performance at puppetry festival, 1998
  - Includes correspondence and business card
- Velma Dawson, 1998
  - o Includes correspondence February 23, 1998
- Jean Blackwood (Daisy), 2005
  - o Includes correspondence, card and envelope
- Eleanor Harder (wrote play that inspired witch marionettes)
  - o Includes correspondence, card dated August 28, 2008
- Unidentified

## Box 007 (BB\_b007) Performances & Events: Bob Baker Marionette Theater

### BB\_b007\_F1: Theater Performances and Parties: Sketch Book Revue, 1963

- Performance Birthday Party party room, studio tour and birthday crown
  - Relates to: Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
  - Relates to photo album BB b029

#### BB b007 F2: Theater Performances and Parties, 1963

- Staff circa 1963
- Birthday Party and Performance either Sketch Book Revue or Get Happy, 1963
  - Relates to Negatives: Performance and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Birthday Party and Performance Something to Crow About, 1963
- Birthday Party and Performance Circus circa1963
- Christmas Show, 1963
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Cement Masons Christmas Party circa 1963

## BB b007 F3: Theater Performances and Parties 1969, 1974 –1986

 Graduation Party, 1973 contact sheets relate to Slides: Performances and Events – BB b035 F4

## BB\_b007\_F4: Theater Shows: *The Nutcracker* 1974 – 1978, 1992, circa 1997

- Relates to Negatives BB\_b031\_F5
- (contact sheets don't have corresponding negatives)

#### BB b007 F5: Theater Shows:

- Spooks and Clowns theater exterior and marquee, 1972
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- LA Ole, 1981
  - Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Fiesta
  - 1975, relates to Slides: Performances and Events BB\_b035\_F3
  - Marquee and interior banners circa 1995 relates to Negatives BB\_b031\_F5
- Something to Crow About, 1972, 1987, circa 1992, circa 2000
  - Includes Raleigh Souther correspondence and 3D glasses

#### BB b007 F6: Theater Shows:

- Silver Star Jubilee, 1988
  - Relates to: Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Silver Star Holiday marquee, 1988
- Song of Scherezade marquee circa 1992
- Magic Strings marquee and exterior, 1989, 1992
- The Circus circa 1996

## Box 008 (BB\_b008) Performances & Events: Bob Baker Marionette Theater

#### BB b008 F1: Theater Shows:

- Holiday Spectacular, 1996 1997
  - Relates to negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Holiday Adventure banner, 1999
- Allegre circa 2000

## BB\_b008\_F2: Theater performances, 1987 - 1996

• Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events - BB\_b031\_F5

## BB\_b008\_F3: Theater Performances, 2000 - 2008

- Performance, 2000
- Theater interior and Performance circa 2000
- Gordon Ownby Photos, 2004
  - o Includes correspondence February 23, 2004

- Charles Phoenix presents This is Your Life marquee and interior, 2005
  - o Includes ephemera postcards and program
- Tavalian Preschool visit circa 2008

## BB\_b008\_F4: Holiday Parties

- Christmas décor, 1966, 1972, 1979
  - o 1972 Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Family Thanksgiving, 1962
  - Relates to negatives BB\_B049\_F1
- Staff Christmas party, 1988
  - o Relates to negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Staff Holiday and Welcome Back party, 1991
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Theater decorations, 1992, 1995

## BB b008 F5: Parties

- Staff party, 1981
- Don Battjes event, 1992
  - o Relates to negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Staff party, March 1992
  - o Relates to Negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Academy of Puppetry and Allied Arts party, 1993
  - Relates to negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Tom Ray with family, 1995
  - o Includes correspondence February 24, 1995
- Alton Wood's birthday circa 1996

## BB\_b008\_F6: Party room

- Birthday party set up, circa 1966, 1972
  - o Relates to negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031\_F5
- Birthday party set up, Polaroid photos circa 1985
- Birthday party set for Nikki's 10<sup>th</sup> birthday, 1991
  - o Relates to negatives: Performances and Events BB\_b031 F5
- Decorations circa 1995 1996

## Series 2: Publicity, 1944 - 2008 (BB\_b009 - BB\_b011)

#### 1.5 Linear Feet

## Box 009 (BB\_b009) Publicity

## BB\_b009\_F1: Bob Baker Marionettes of Hollywood

- Los Angeles Toy and Gift show, January 1945
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
  - Relates to Slides: Publicity BB b037 F1
  - o Relates to Portfolio BB\_b028
- Commercial marionettes, 1945
  - o Relates to Negatives: Publicity: BB b032 F1
  - Relates to Portfolio BB\_b028
- Commercial animal marionettes circa 1964

#### BB b009 F2: Bobo the Clown

- Bobo and Toto, 1946
- Bobo circa 1947 circa 1950
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB b032 F1
  - Relates to Portfolio BB b028

o Relates to Oversize Items: BB b039

#### BB b009 F3: Press and Promotion

- Hollywood Citizen News and Van Nuys News Varieties, 1954
- Sacramento Bee, Bob Baker and Ronald Martin, 1965
- Assorted press circa 1960s
- USC circa 1975
- Roy Raymond, News Press, 1984
- Holiday Star, Los Angeles Times, 1985
- Bob Baker, Los Angeles Times, 2008
  - o Relates to clipping BB b024 F6
- Backstage visitors circa 1963
  - o Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
- Gisele MacKenzie circa 1965
- Bob Baker Marionette theater, Bob Baker Productions promotion circa 1980s
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB b032 F1
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater, Eric Sanders photography, 1986
  - o Relates to Negatives: Publicity-BB\_b032\_F1
  - Relates to Slides: Publicity BB\_b037\_F3
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater Marionettes circa 1995
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
- Assorted marionettes circa 1990s

## BB b009 F4: Bob Baker

- Bob Baker, 1944, circa 1960s, circa 1990s
- Bob Baker and marionettes circa 1995
  - o Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
- Bob Baker and Alton Wood, 1951
- Bob Baker and Wood circa 1958
  - Relates to Slides: Publicity BB\_b037\_F4

## BB\_b009\_F5: Bob Baker and puppeteers

- Ronald Martin and Roy Raymond, 1966
- Bob Baker and Ronald Martin circa 1969
  - Relates to Negatives Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
- Bob Baker, Tom Ray and puppeteers circa 1986
  - o Relates to Negatives: Publicity- BB\_b032\_F1
- Bob Baker and Tom Ray circa 1992
  - o Includes correspondence from Thomas Sauerwein
  - o Relates Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
  - o Relates to Slides: Publicity- BB\_b037\_F4

#### BB\_b009\_F6: Bob Baker Marionette Staff Headshots

- Don Battjes Theater Staff, 1990
- Bob Baker Marionette Staff circa 1987, 1993, 1995
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
- Tom Ray Headshots

## Box 010 (BB\_b010) Publicity: Shows

BB b010 F1: The Circus, 1946 - 1950

- Millirons Department Store window performance, 1946 -1947
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB b032 F2
- Marionettes, studio and performance circa 1947 -1948
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F2

- Touring show, 1950
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB b032 F2

BB\_b010\_F2: *The Circus* circa 1961 – 1963, 1966

Relates to Negatives: Publicity - BB\_b032\_F2

BB\_b010\_F3: Woodland Fantasy/ Marionette Varieties

- Marionettes circa 1949 1950, circa 1954
  - O Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F3
  - Relates to Slides: Publicity: BB\_b037\_F2

BB\_b010\_F4: Something to Crow About

- National Date Festival, 1960
- Puppeteers, Bob Baker Marionette Theater circa 1964
  - o Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F3
- Bob Baker, Bob Baker Marionette Theater contact sheets circa 1970
  - No negatives

BB\_b010\_F5: Something to Crow About

- Puppets circa 1960, circa 1974
  - O Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB b032 F3

## Box 011 (BB\_b011) Publicity: Shows

BB\_b011\_F1: Get Happy circa 1962 -1964

Relates to Negatives: Publicity - BB b032 F4

BB\_b011\_F2: Sketch Book Revue circa 1963 - 1964

Relates to Negatives: Publicity - BB b032 F4

BB\_b011\_F3: Enchanted Toy Shop/ All Aboard for Gingerbread Square – marionettes circa 1965

• Relates to Negatives: Publicity - BB\_b032\_F5

BB\_b011\_F4: Enchanted Toy Shop/ All Aboard for Gingerbread Square/Holiday Brew circa 1958 and 1965, Christmas show, 1950

Relates to Negatives: Publicity - BB b032 F5

BB\_b011\_F5: Enchanted Toy Shop/*All Aboard for Gingerbread Square*—Bob Baker and Ronald Martin circa 1965

- Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F5
- Relates to Ephemera: Shows BB\_b025\_F5

BB b011 F6: The Nutcracker circa 1968

• Relates to Negatives: Publicity - BB\_b032\_F5

BB b011 F7: Fiesta

- Marionettes circa 1970
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F1
- Puppeteers circa 1980

## Series 3 Workshop 1944 – 2008 (BB\_b012 – BB\_b015)

2 Linear Feet

## Box 12 (BB\_b012) Workshops

BB b012 F1 – Workshop - 7761 Santa Monica Blvd. circa 1947

- Studio exterior Santa Monica Blvd.
- Studio interior with Baker and commercial marionettes

- Relates to Negative: Workshop BB\_b033\_F1
- Bob Baker Marionettes
  - Relates to Portfolios BB b028

## BB\_b012\_F2 - Workshop - Baker's Marionettes

- Snow Queen/Hansel and Gretel circa 1942
- Faust puppets with Wayne Barlow, 1942 (Sunset Blvd. studio)
  - O Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB b033 F1
  - Relates to Slides: Workshop BB\_b037\_F5
- Mike Dietrich Puppets circa 1943 (219 N. New Hampshire Ave.)
  - o Relates to Negatives: Workshop -BB\_b033\_F1
- Baker's Marionettes, 1943 (219 N. New Hampshire Ave.), 2006
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F1
  - o Relates to Photo Album Pictures BB\_028
- Vi Baker in workshop, 1943 (219 N. New Hampshire Ave.)
  - o Relates to Negative: Workshop BB\_b033\_F1

## BB\_b012\_F3 - Workshop - 219 N. New Hampshire Ave.

- Workshop staff circa 1945
- 1<sup>st</sup> workshop panorama circa 1945
- Bob Baker, 1949
- Bob Baker, Alton Wood and Zoe Brooke in studio, 1952
  - Relates to negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F2
- Workshop circa 1958, 1960
  - o Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F2

## BB\_b012\_F4: Workshop - 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. - Projects

- Western Family Supermarket promotional hand puppet show circa 1955
  - o Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F2
- Lisa Kirk's Little People circa 1960
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F2

## BB\_b012\_F5 - Workshop - 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. - Shows

- Something to Crow About, 1957 circa 1959, 1960
  - relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F3

## BB\_012\_F6 - Workshop - 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. - Shows

- The Circus. 1960 1961
  - relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB b033 F3

## BB 012 F7 - Workshop – 219 N. New Hampshire Ave.

• Marionettes from Bob Baker Theater in storage, 1993

#### BB 012 F8 - Workshop – Bob Baker Marionette Theater W.1st Street – Projects

- Instant Witch circa 1963
  - Includes instructions
- Car Salesman hand puppet circa 1965
  - o Relates to negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- Wayne Newton and clown hand puppets, 1966
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- Bing Crosby duck, 1966
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- Hello Dolly necklace circa 1966
  - o Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- King Solomon and the Bee, 1970
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- Dean Martin fish, 1974

- Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- Figure for muscle photos, 1974
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4
- Three Kings figures circa 1974
- Marty Mouse circa 1974
- Villa Allegre and ruby slippers, 1976
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4

## Box 13 (BB\_b013) Bob Baker Marionette Theater – Workshop Interior

BB\_b013\_F1: Bob Baker Marionette Theater W.1st Street 1963 – 1979

Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4

BB\_b013\_F2: Bob Baker Marionette Theater W.1st Street circa 1985 – 1989

Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4

BB b013 F3: Bob Baker Marionette Theater W.1st Street circa 1990 -1991

Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4

BB\_b013\_F4: Bob Baker Marionette Theater W.1st Street circa 1992, 1994, 1996 – 1997, 2005 – 2008

o Relates to Negatives: Workshop-BB\_b033\_F4

## Box 14 (BB\_b013) Bob Baker Marionette Theater – Exterior and Workshop

BB\_b014\_F1: Bob Baker Marionette Theater W 1st Street

- Exterior before conversion to theater circa 1962
  - o Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F4
- Interior during renovation circa 1962
  - Relates to Negatives: Workshop BB\_b033\_F4
- Exterior, 1963, 1966, 1973
  - o Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4

BB\_b014\_F2: Bob Baker Marionette Theater exterior and 1st street, 1985 - 1995

Relates to Negatives: Workshop - BB\_b033\_F4

BB b014 F3: Bob Baker Marionette Theater exterior and 1st street, 2002 -2005

Relates to Negatives: Workshop - BB\_b033\_F4

BB\_b014\_F4: Bob Baker Marionette Theater - Sets 1976, 1991 - 2004

Relates to Negatives: Workshop - BB\_b033\_F4

BB\_014\_F5: Bob Baker Marionette Theater - Characters and Projects, 1993 – 2008

Relates to Negatives: Workshop - BB\_b033\_F4

#### Box 15 (BB\_b015) Bob Baker Marionette Theater Workshop

BB\_b015\_F1: Collectibles/ Commercial puppets, 1995 – 1996, 2000 – 2006

Relates to Negatives: Workshop - BB b033 F4

BB\_b015\_F2: Collectibles / Commercial puppets, 2008

Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB b033 F4

BB b015 F3: Famous People Players, circa 1975, circa 1985, 1990 – Feb. 1991

- Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB b033 F4
- Relates to Liberace print in Oversize items BB\_b039
- Includes correspondence from Diane Dupuy, 1978

BB\_b015\_F4: Famous People Players, 1991

Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB b033 F4

BB b015 F5: Famous People Players, 1991 – 1992

Relates to Negatives: Workshop- BB\_b033\_F4

## Series 4 Film/Television 1937 – 2003 (BB\_b016 – BB\_b017)

1 Linear Foot

## Box 16 (BB\_b016) Television

BB\_b016\_F1: Television - Commercials

- Seagram's Seven commercial, 1951
- The Liberace Show commercial spot, George and Jayne Liberace, 1954
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television BB b033 F5
  - Relates to Oversize items: BB b039

#### BB b016 F2: Television – Commercials and Shows

- Nickel Twins Rexall Commercial, December 1959
- Signal Oil commercial, 1963 1964
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television

    BB b033 F5
- Girard Dressings commercial, circa 1966
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television
    BB b033 F5
- MD Tissue commercial, 1970
- Hallmark commercial, circa 1970
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television BB b033 F5
- Citrus Hill Select Orange juice commercial circa 1983-1984
- Natural Gas Commercial with Uncle Sam circa 1985
  - Relates to Slides: Film/Television BB\_b038\_F2
- McDonalds MacTonite signed headshot, 1987
- Dunkin' Donuts commercial, 2002
- Crest White Strips print advertisement, 2003
- Adventures of Bobo, 1949 KFI-TV
  - Relates to Oversize Items: BB b039
  - Relates to Portfolio BB b028
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television BB\_b033\_F5

#### BB b016 F4: Television Shows

- Mr. Scherzo Moppet and Mr. Scherzo, 1949
- Mr. Scherzo The Mr. Zam Show, 1949
- Bozo's Circus, KTTV,1949
- Revolt of the Vegetables/ Veggie Fables, CBS, 1950-1951
  - Puppets also used in Bob Baker Marionette show Get Happy
  - Relates to Negatives: Publicity BB\_b032\_F4
  - Relates to Slides: Film/Television BB\_b038\_F2
- Kite Flight to Moonland, 1953
  - Relates to slides: Film/Television BB b038 F1
- Eddie Fischer Show, 1959
- Mr. Wishbone circa 1960s
- Hawaiian Eye, 1960
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television—BB\_b033\_F5
- Gallant Men, Warner Brothers, 1964
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television

    BB\_b033\_F5
- Pinocchio, 1961
- The Wild Wild West, Statue of Liberty prop circa 1966
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/TV- BB\_b033\_F5

- Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea, 1967
  - Relates to Papers: Film/TV (shooting schedule) BB b024 F2

## BB\_b016\_F5: Television Shows

- Magic of Christmas, NBC Special, 1968
  - o Relates to Negatives: Film/TV-BB\_b033\_F5
- Red Skeleton Show, 1969
- Curiosity Shop, 1969
  - On set
  - Shoot for Medieval segment for show
- Hocus Pocus, 1970
- Unidentified show with crows circa 1974
  - o Relates to negatives: Film/Television-BB b033 F5
- Nanny and the Professor, 1974-1975
  - o Relates to clipping Papers: Film/Television BB\_b024 F2
- Bobby Goldsboro Show, Johnathon Rebel dog, 1975
  - O Relates to Negatives: Film/Television-BB\_b033\_F5
  - O Relates to Oversize Items BB\_b039
- Shelly Duvall's Faerie Tale Theater Pinocchio, 1983
  - Pee Wee Herman makeup test
  - Includes production errand request
- ABC Weekend Special circa 1985
- 'NSYNC music video, 2000,
  - o Relates to Negatives: Film/TV-BB\_b033\_F5
- Primetime Glick, 2002
  - o Relates to negatives: Film/ TV- BB b033 F5

#### BB b016 F6: Television/Film

- Unidentified Production photographs
- Celebrity Headshots

#### Box 17 Film/Television

#### BB\_b017\_F1: Educational Films – Bob Baker productions

- Dental Show, Dental Health documentary, 1959 (New Hampshire Ave.)
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television BB\_b034\_F2
- American Medical Association "Asthma" documentary, 1964 (theater)
  - Relates to Slides: Film/ Television BB\_b038\_F1

## BB b017 F2: Educational Films- Bob Baker Marionette Theater

- The Eyes Have It, 1974
- Lili, 1974, (trial filming of Broadway Show)
- Under Daisies circa 1970s
- Exploration of an Art Kind, 1981

#### BB b017 F3: Film

- George Pal Puppetoons, 1941, 1947, circa 1992
  - Relates to Papers: Film/Television clippings and correspondence BB\_b024\_F2
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television BB\_b034\_F1
  - Relates to Slides: Film/Television BB\_b038\_F1
- Artists & Models, 1937
  - Relates to Negative: Film/Television—BB\_b033\_F5
- Ziegfeld Follies, from "Ziegfeld Days", 1942 (reference or not credited)
- Curtain Time featurette (also titled Paris in the Spring), 1947

Relates to Oversize Items – BB\_b039

#### BB b017 F4: Film

- Hunt the Man Down, 1950
- Number 10 Eldorado Street, n.d.
- Lili, 1952
- A Star is Born, 1954
  - Relates to Oversize Items: BB b039
- *Tom Thumb*, 1958
  - Relates to negatives: Film/Television

    BB b034 F1

## BB\_b017\_F5: Film

- G.I. Blues, 1960
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television—BB\_b033\_F5
  - Relates to Oversize Items: BB b039
- Snow White and Three Stooges, 1961
  - Relates to Oversize Items: BB\_b039
- Gypsy, 1962
- Island of Love, 1963, Warner Brothers
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television

    BB\_b033\_F5
- Games, 1967
  - Relates to Negatives: Film/Television

    BB b033 F5
  - Relates to Oversize Items BB\_b039
- Star! 1968
  - Relates to negatives Film/Television
    BB b033 F5
- Why a Man Creates, 1968
  - Relates to negatives: Film/Television-- BB\_b033\_F5

#### BB\_b017\_F6: Film

- Run Shadow Run (also titled Cover Me Babe), 1970
- What's the Matter with Helen? 1971
  - Includes correspondence March 9, 1971
- Shanks,1974
  - Relates to Oversize Items: BB\_b039
  - Relates to Papers: sketches BB\_b024\_F5
- The Muppet Movie, 1979

# Series 5 Displays and Exhibits, 1946 – circa 2008 (BB\_b018 – BB\_b019) 1 Linear Foot

## Box 18 (BB\_b018) Window Displays, Installations, and Puppet Exhibits

BB\_b018\_F1: Display Window and Merchandise Reference 1945 – circa 1950s BB b018 F2: Displays circa 1940s

- Display sketch
- Rogers Jewelry
- "The Telephone" and "The Medium"
- · Draped figure and Cowboy Bar
- Carousel Shop
  - o Relates to Slide: Display BB\_b034\_F4
- Rumba Room
  - Relates to Negative: Display BB\_B034\_F4

### BB\_b018\_F3: Window Displays and Installations 1945 - 1949

- J.W. Robinson Co. "What Makes Christmas" display, 1945
- J.W. Robinson Co. "Gold Rush" display, 1949
  - Relates to Negatives: Display BB b034 F3
  - Relates to Slides: Display BB\_b034\_F4
- Planets, 1948
- Union Oil Co. Rose Parade Float, "Girl of the Golden West", 1948
- Christmas/RCA Victor, 1948

## BB\_b018\_F4: Window Displays and Installations, 1959 - 1971

- Jomo the Talking Tiger, Johnson Motors, not dated, circa 1950s
- Heliport Corporation, South Pasadena, 1959
  - Includes correspondence May 21, 1959
- Los Angeles Times, Christmas, 1966
  - Relates to Slides: Display BB\_b034\_F4
- Bullocks Pasadena Christmas Installation/Display, 1968, 1971
  - Relates to Negatives: Display BB\_b034\_F3

### BB\_b018\_F4: Exhibits by title

- LA County Exhibit, CA State Fair, 1998-1999,
  - o Includes Correspondence dated September 1, 1998
- 12th Annual Black Doll Exhibit "Moving Parts", 1993
  - o relates to Negatives: Display BB\_B034\_F3
- "Puppets and Legends" exhibit, 2002
  - o relates to Negatives: Display BB B034 F3

FBB b018 F 5: Exhibits/ Display circa 1985 – circa 2000

o relates to Negatives: Display - BB\_B034\_F3

## Box 19 (BB\_b019) Window Displays, Installations, and Puppet Exhibits

BB b019 F1: Fine Arts Building, 7th Street, ca. 1989 - 1990

• Relates to Negatives: Display - BB B034 F3

BB\_b019\_F2: Fine Arts Building, 7th Street 1993 - 1994

• Relates to Negatives: Display - BB\_B034\_F3

BB\_b019\_F3: Fine Arts Building, 7th Street 1995 - 1996

• Relates to Negatives: Display - BB\_B034\_F3

BB b019 F4: Fine Arts Building, 7<sup>th</sup> Street 2000, circa 2008

Relates to Negatives: Display - BB\_B034\_F3

## Series 6 Disney, 1968 – 2010 (BB\_b020 – BB\_b023)

2 Linear Feet

## Box 20 (BB\_b020) Disney: Workshop

BB\_b020\_F1: Workshop: Display for Disneyland

- Adam figure by Charles (Chris) Christadoro, 1939
  - Relates to Negative: Disney BB\_b023\_F4
- Mermaids for Disneyland Cole's of California shop (New Hampshire Ave) 1956
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4
- Bellringers Christmas display, Disneyland, 1969
  - o Relates to Slides: Disney BB b023 F5
- Bellringers figures for Disneyworld display, 1971
- Peter Pan figures (Theater/Studio 1<sup>st</sup> Street) circa 1969

BB\_b020\_F2: Workshop (W.1st Street): Display for Disneyland

- Sleeping Beauty, 1970
  - Relates to negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4

BB b020 F3: Workshop (W.1st Street): Display for Disneyland

- Aristocats, 1970 1971
  - o Relates to negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4

BB\_b020\_F4: Workshop (W.1st Street): Display for Disneyland

- 101 Dalmatians, 1969, 1971 1972
  - Relates to negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4

BB\_b020\_F5: Workshop (W.1st Street): Display for Disneyland

- 101 Dalmatians, 1971
  - Relates to negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4

## Box 21 (BB\_b021): Disney: Workshop/ Film/Television

BB\_b021\_F1: Workshop (W.1st Street): Disneyland Display

- 101 Dalmatians figures, 1972
  - o relates to Display, Negatives BB\_b023\_F4
- 101 Dalmatians Display window, Disneyland, 1972

BB\_b021\_F2: *Bedknobs and Broomsticks*, Disneyland and Disneyworld Display, 1971, 1974

relates to Negatives- BB\_b023\_F4

BB b021 F3: Reference: production stills and character sketches

• Snow White, Bambi, Sleeping Beauty and The Aristocats

BB\_b021\_F4: Reference: production stills

Bedknobs and Broomsticks, 1971

BB b021 F5: Disney: Film/Television

- Bedknobs and Broomsticks publicity stills, 1971
- Escape from Witch Mountain publicity stills, 1975
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4
- Cinderella (TV movie) 1997
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4
- Geppetto (TV movie) 2000
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney BB\_b023\_F4

#### Box 22 (BB b022) Workshop: Collectibles

BB b022 F1: Workshop/ Theater W.1st Street

- Collectibles: Disney Marionette Collection circa 1975, 1987 1989
- Disneyland Hotel Theater Show characters, 1987
- Pinocchio & Bob Jones, master puppeteer

BB\_b022\_F2: Workshop/ Theater W.1st Street ca. 1985 - 1989

BB\_b022\_F3: Workshop/ Theater W.1st Street

- Collectibles: Disney Marionette Collection Pinocchio, 1992
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney- BB\_b023\_F4
- Mickey and Friends "Free From Drugs" character, 1994
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney- BB\_b023\_F4

BB\_b022\_F4: Workshop/ Theater W.1st Street 1994 - 2008

- Collectibles: Disney Marionette Collection
  - Relates to Negatives: Disney BB b023 F4

## Box 23 (BB\_b023) Disney

BB\_b023\_F1: Publicity, Performances and Display/Exhibits circa 1960s - 2008

- Collectibles on Display:
  - Pinocchio circa 1960s
  - Bob Baker, 1979
  - Disneyworld, 1989
  - Walt Disney Imagineering exhibit, 1993
    - Includes correspondence September 7, 1993
  - Fine Arts Building, Downtown circa 1992 1994, 2008
- Performances:
  - Disneyland Hotel circa 1985
  - El Capitan Theater, 2002
- Publicity: Bob Baker with collectibles circa 1995

## BB\_b023\_F2: Print Materials/Ephemera

- Disney Marionette Collectibles ephemera
- 101 Dalmatians window display figure notations
- Escape from Witch Mountain set elevations, 1971
- Bedknobs and Broomsticks score
- Aristocats celluloid, 1970

BB b023 F4: Negatives 1939 - 2008

BB\_b023\_F5: Slides, 1969 - 1971

- Disneyland Displays
- Sleeping Beauty figures in workshop
- Bedknobs and Broomsticks figures in workshop

## Series 7 Professional Papers (BB\_b024 – BB\_b027)

2 Linear Feet

## Box 24 (BB b024) Papers: Correspondence, Clippings and Sketches

BB b024 F1: Correspondence, 1948 - 1999

BB b024 F2: Film/TV/Print:

- Production schedule Voyage to the Bottom of the Sea, 1967
- Production schedule Straw Hat pizza, 1981
- Nanny and the Professor clipping, 1970
- Academy of Television Arts and Sciences membership card, 1994
- Bob Clampett, creator of Beany and Cecil and George Pal Clippings

BB\_b024\_F3: Hand-written notations, 1970 - 2006

BB b024 F4: Assorted programs, brochures and receipts

BB\_b024\_F5: Sketches and Celluloid

- Character sketch, 1973
- Character sketches for character from film Shanks, 1974
- Character sketches for toys for manufacture in China, 2001
- Burger Chef (sketches/celluloid) undated
- CBS TV (celluloid) undated

BB\_b024\_F6: Press clippings and publications, 1947 - 2008

## Box 25 (BB\_025) Papers: Journal, Sketches and Ephemera

BB b025 F1: Bob Baker's Puppet Journal, 1936; undeveloped roll of film

## BB b025 F2: Bob Baker Marionettes 1945 - circa 1961

- Baker's marionettes and Bob Baker Marionettes of Hollywood ephemera
- Bob Baker Marionettes press releases and promotional brochures

#### BB b025 F3: Bob Baker Marionette Theater

- Concept drawing of Bob Baker Marionette Theater, undated
- Bob Baker bio and Alton Wood Bio and obituary
- Press releases and theater ephemera

## BB\_b025\_F3: Ephemera: Bob Baker Marionette show:

• Something to Crow About

## BB\_b025\_F4: Ephemera: Bob Baker Marionette shows:

- Get Happy
- All Aboard for Gingerbread Square
- Fiesta
- The Nutcracker
- Sugarland Express Christmas Extravaganza
- Magic Strings '70
- Arabian Nights, 1991

BB\_b025\_F5: Ephemera: Touring Road Show performances 1951 - 2003

Box 26 (BB\_026) Appointment books, 1979, 1981 - 1982

**Box 27 (BB\_027)** Appointment books, 2005, 2009 - 2010 Bob Baker Marionette Theater Artist engagement contracts 2008 - 2010

# Series 8 Photo Albums/Portfolios, 1943 – 2010 (BB\_b028 – BB\_b030) 1.5 Linear Feet

## Box 28 (BB\_028) Photo Albums/Portfolios -

#### **Portfolios**

- Baker's Marionettes, 1943
- Bob Baker Marionettes of Hollywood, 1945
- Bob Baker Marionettes, 1947
- Bob Baker Productions, 1949

#### Box 29 (BB\_029) Photo Albums/Portfolios –

- Adolph's Burbank Proprietor's of the Royal Tahitian Hotel, Nov. 1961
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater, 1963
- Bob Baker Marionettes circa 1979
- Bob Baker Studio, 1980
- Gordon Ownby book "Behind the Scenes at Enchanted Strings" 2004
- Studio visit, 2010

## Box 30 (BB 030) Photo Albums/Portfolios -

- Theater and workshop, puppets, sets and displays, 1994 1997
- Performance LA Plaza Park, 10/31/2004
- The Theatrical Agency portfolio 1947- 2000

## Series 9 Negatives/Slides/Oversize Items (BB\_b031 - BB\_b039)

4.5 Linear Feet

## Box 31 (BB\_031) Negatives – Performance and events

BB\_b031\_F1 - Performances & Events - Road Shows

- Something to Crow About
  - Laguna Festival of Arts, 1959
  - o Laguna Festival of Arts, 1960
  - National Date Festival, Indio, 1960
  - San Diego County Fair, Del Mar, 1960
  - National Orange Show, San Bernardino, 1960
  - o Paso Robles circa 1960
- The Circus Laguna Festival of Arts, 1961

## BB b031 F2: Performances and Events - Road Shows

- Woodland Fantasy-
  - Fellowship Hall circa 1956
  - Hindshaw's Department Store, Whittier circa 1956
- Get Happy, Laguna Festival of Arts, 1962
- Enchanted Toy Shop circa 1956
- Sketch Book Revue, 1963, 1972
- Fiesta

#### BB b031 F3: Performances and Events:

- La Petite Theater, 1936
- Marionette Varieties Christmas Show, 1951
- Night Owl Meeting, 1952
- Jean Hauge's Children's Party Shop, Ant Farm
- Trona, 1959
- Calhoun Christmas party
- NBC party, Burbank, 1961

## BB\_b031\_F4: Performances and Events:

- Touring road shows
- Professional Events and Colleagues
  - o TV academy, 1991
  - Puppeteers of America Convention, 1997
  - o Chiquita Puppeteers, 1959
  - o Marie Hitchcock Theater, 2005

BB b031 F5: Performances and Events: Bob Baker Marionette Theater

## Box 32 (BB\_032) Negatives - Publicity

BB b032 F1: Publicity

- Bob Baker's Marionettes of Hollywood, 1945
- Bobo the Clown circa 1950
- Backstage circa 1963
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater, Bob Baker Productions promotions circa 1980s
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater, Eric Sanders photography circa 1992
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater Marionettes 1995
- Bob Baker and Marionettes circa 1995
- Bob Baker and Ronald Martin circa 1969

- Bob Baker Marionette Theater, Bob Baker, Tom Ray and Puppeteers circa 1986
- Bob Baker and Tom Ray, Thomas Sauerwein photos circa 1992
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater staff
- Bob Baker Alton Wood circa 1950 (no prints) by Jorge Esteves
  - o Relates to Assorted Papers BB\_b024\_F4
- Puppeteer (no prints)

## BB\_b032\_F2: Publicity: Shows

- Milliron's Department Store, 1946
- The Circus, 1947, 1960 1961, 1966
  - o Includes transparencies 1966

## BB\_b032\_F3: Publicity: Shows

- Woodland Fantasy/Marionette Varieties
- Something to Crow About

## BB\_b032\_F4: Publicity: Shows

- Get Happy
- Sketch Book Revue

### BB\_b032\_F2: Publicity: Shows

- Enchanted Toy Shop/ All Aboard for Gingerbread Square
- The Nutcracker
- Fiesta

## Box 33 (BB\_033) Negatives – Workshop/TV/Film

## BB\_b033\_F1: Workshop

- 7761 Santa Monica Blvd.
  - Faust puppets, 1942
  - Mike Dietrich puppets circa 1943 219 N. New Hampshire Ave.
  - Baker's Marionettes, 1943 219 N. New Hampshire Ave.
  - Violet Baker in workshop, 1943 219 N. New Hampshire Ave.

## BB\_b033\_F2: Workshop -

- 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. circa 1950s
- 219 N. New Hampshire Ave Western Family puppet show circa 1955
- 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. Lisa Kirk's Little People circa 1960

## BB\_b033\_F3: Workshop

- 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. Something to Crow About
- 219 N. New Hampshire Ave. *The Circus*

#### BB b033 F4: Workshop

- Bob Baker Marionette Theater projects
- Bob Baker Marionette Theater Interior and Exterior
- Collectibles/ Commercial puppets
- Famous People Players

## BB b033 F5: Film/Television

- Liberace, 1954
- Signal Oil, 1963 1964
- Gerard Dressings circa 1966
- Dunkin' Donuts commercial, 2002
- Adventures of Bobo, 1949
- Hawaiian Eye, 1960

- Wild Wild West, 1966
- Magic of Christmas, 1968
- Unidentified show with crows circa 1974
- Bobby Gainsboro Show, 1975
- 'NSYNC, 2000
- Primetime Glick, 2002
- Artists and Models, 1937
- G.I. Blues, 1960
- Games, 1967
- Stars!, 1968
- Why A Man Creates, 1968

## Box 34 (BB\_034) Negatives/Slides

BB\_b034\_F1: Film- George Pal

- Puppetoons, 1942
- *Tom Thumb*, 1958

BB b034 F2: Film/Television – Educational Films

- Dental Health Documentary, 1959
- American Medical Association "Asthma" documentary, 1964

BB\_b034\_F3: Display Windows/Exhibits 1949 – circa 2008

BB\_b034\_F4: Display: Negatives 4x5/ Slides 4x5 color

- Bobo and Feathers (possibly from Adventures of Bobo) circa 1949
- Carousel Shop circa 1949
- J.W. Robinson Co. "Gold Rush" display, 1949
- Xmas Candlite circa 1949
- LA Times Magazine, Santa's Workshop, 1949
- LA Times Christmas, 1966
- LA Times Christmas, 1966 (4 x 5 negatives)
- Rumba Room circa 1940s (4 x 5 negative)

## Box 35 (BB\_b035) Slides - Performances and Events

BB b035 F1: Slides- Performances and Events – Touring Road Shows

- Marionette Varieties circa 1958
- Something to Crow About
  - Laguna Festival of Arts, 1959
  - National Orange Show, 1960
  - o Del Mar and Laguna, 1962
    - Relates to correspondence: Roy Raymond letter August 7, 1962 BB\_b024\_F1
- The Circus Laguna Festival of Arts, 1961
- Get Happy Laguna Festival of Arts, 1962
- Over a Garden Wall Merced County Fair, 1967
- Sketch Book Revue, 1972
- Easter, Thunderbird Country Club Palm Springs, 1956
- Christmas road show, 1969
- Mall 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Downtown, 1976
- Rancho California Plaza, 1987

BB b035 F2: Slides - Performances and Events - Theater

- Something to Crow About, 1982
- The Circus, 1973
- Sketch Book Revue, 1963 -1964

BB b035 F3: Slides - Performances and Events - Theater

Fiesta, 1975

BB\_b035\_F4: Slides - Performances and Events - Theater

- Xmas Show, 1976
- Graduation, 1973
- Party room, 1971

## Box 36 (BB b031) Slides- Performances and Events

BB\_b036\_F1: Slides - Performances and Events - Theater

• The Nutcracker, 1976

BB b036 F2: Slides - Performances and Events - Theater

• LA Ole, 1982

BB b036 F3: Slides - Performances and Events - Theater

• LA Ole, 1982 Slideshow

BB\_b036\_F4: Slides - Performances and Events –Theater

Reference slides – dinosaurs, L.A. history, ancient Rome, Disneyland

## Box 37 (BB\_037) Slides – Publicity/ Workshop

BB\_b037\_F1: Publicity

- Bob Baker Marionettes of Hollywood, Gift Show, 1945
- Bob Baker Marionettes portfolio circa 1947

BB\_b037\_F2: Publicity

- Marionette Varieties circa 1950
- Marionette Varieties, New Hampshire Ave circa 1950
- Fiesta, 1975
- Assorted shows

BB\_b037\_F3: Publicity

Bob Baker Marionette Theater, Eric Sanders photos, 1986

BB\_b037\_F4: Publicity - 4x5 transparencies

- Bob Baker Marionettes Bob Baker and Alton Wood circa 1958
- Bob Baker Tom Ray circa 1992, Thomas Sauerwein photos

BB\_b037\_F5: Workshop

- Something to Crow About, New Hampshire, circa 1958
- The Circus, concept art circa 1959
- Marionette Varieties, New Hampshire Ave, circa 1950
- Faust, 1945
- Assorted work
- Concept designs for Bob Baker Marionette Theater circa 1960s
- Theater workshop, 1975 1976, 1986, 1993

BB\_b037\_F6: Allen Cook collection, foreign puppets

#### Box 38 (BB\_b038) Slides

BB\_b038\_F1: Slides: Film/Television

• George Pal Puppetoons, 1943

- Kite Flight to Moonland circa 1953
- American Medical Association "Asthma" documentary, 1964

#### BB b038 F2: Slides: Film/Television

- Sketches for Vegetable marionettes circa 1951 (Also used in *Get Happy*)
- Natural Gas Commercial Jim Jordan circa 1985
- Unidentified set

#### BB b038 F3: Slides: Film/Television

• Alphabet People, KETC TV St. Louis MO – sets by King Hall, 1974

## BB\_b038\_F4: Slides: Film/Television

Alphabet People, KETC TV St. Louis MO – sets by King Hall, 1975 - 1976

## Box 39 (BB\_b039) Oversize Items

- Film/Television Production Photographs
- Publicity and Portraits featuring Bob Baker and workshop photographs
- Jean Hague materials
- Sketch Book Revue, Laguna Festival of Arts
- The Circus
- Varieties, 1951
- Bob Baker Marionettes Commercial Puppets circa 1945

## Series 10: Audio Cassette Tapes circa 1990 – 2006 (BB\_b040)

Box 40 (BB\_b040) Audio Cassettes-

- Tapes for Kevin Butler, 1990
- Preparation for talk Book ideas, 1987
- BB Book BB Talk circa 1988
- Book ideas Memories, 1998
- BB Talks Memories, 2006
- Questions about puppetry and career circa 2009
- Meeting recording circa 2009
- Recoded music and commercial tapes

# Series 11: Personal and Family Photographs circa 1879 – 2008 (BB b041 – BB b047) 3.5 Linear Feet

## Box 41 (BB\_b041): Maternal Family Photographs - Peters and Seamans

BB\_b041\_F1: Peters (Manassian) circa 1879 – circa 1920

- Peter Peters (Hadji Agha Manassian) and wife
  - Relates to drawings: Oversized Items BB\_b068
- Paul Peters and children
- Sophia Peters and daughter, Santa Barbara
- Arthur Peters' children
- Peters' relatives

BB\_b041\_F2: Peters' family raisin farm, Fresno circa 1890s

BB b041 F3: Peters' family raisin farm, Fresno circa 1940s, 1951, 1966

Relates to negatives BB b048 F1

#### BB b041 F4: Seamans family circa 1890s

Seamans family members

- Andrew Seamans (Julia Peters' husband, Baker's grandfather)
- Julia, Andrew and Joe Seamans in front of Fresno home
  - Relates to glass plate negative BB\_b048\_F1
- Violet and Joseph (Vi and Joe) Seamans circa 1896
- Violet, Joseph and cousin Mona, Santa Barbara circa 1898

BB\_b041\_F6: Julia Esther (Peters) Seamans circa 1880s – 1945 (Bob Baker's grandmother)

Relates to negatives 1898, circa 1908 - BB\_b048\_F1

## Box 42 (BB\_b042): Maternal Family Photographs – Seamans and Baker

BB b042 F1: Violet (Vi) Seamans Baker 1905 – 1948 (Bob Baker's mother)

• Relates to portrait: Oversize Items – BB\_b068

BB\_b042\_F2: Violet (Vi) Seamans Baker's photographs, friends and family

- Violet and Julia Seamans with Pete Peters Jr. garage by home on 11<sup>th</sup> St circa 1915
- Violet and Julia Seamans, Long Beach, 1916
  - Relates to negatives BB\_b048\_F1
- Honeymoon with RA Baker Jr. (Al), 1917
- Violet and Al Baker behind N. New Hampshire apartment, 1941
- Violet Baker, Julia Seamans and Irene Dowd "Poppy" circa 1945
- Violet and Al Baker with family back patio, N. New Hampshire Ave.,1953
- Violet Baker's apartment, Christmas with family, 1936, 1956, 1966 67
  - Relates to negatives 1966 1967 BB\_b049\_F1
  - Relates to slides, 1956 BB b049 F5
- Violet Baker's apartment interiors with Joe Seamans, 1971
  - o Relates to negatives- BB b049 F1
- N. New Hampshire Ave exteriors circa 1953 1962
- Friends and tenants circa 1910, 1956 1980

#### BB\_b042\_F3: Joseph (Joe) Seamans circa 1889 – circa 1962

- Childhood portraits
  - o Relates to sketch: Oversize Items BB b068
- Portraits
- Group staff portrait Tufts-Lyon Arms Co. circa 1917
  - Relates to negative BB\_b048\_F6

#### BB b042 F4: Joseph (Joe) Seamans' photography

- San Gabriel Mountains, 1908
  - o Relates to negatives BB b048 F4
  - Relates to photo album BB b055
- Central Park (Pershing Square), 1908
  - Relates to negative BB\_b048\_F6
- Los Angeles Air Meet, Dominguez Hills, 1910
  - Relates to photo album BB b055
- LA Times Building bombing, 1910
  - Relates to photo album BB\_b055
- Corona Road Race circa 1914
  - o Relates to photo album BB b058
- Encino 1914
  - o Relates to negatives (2) BB\_b048\_F6
  - o Relates to photo album BB\_b058
- Long Beach, 1920

## BB\_b042\_F5: Joseph (Joe) Seamans' photography

- Travel 1951 1952
  - Relates to negatives, Salton Sea, 1952 BB\_b048\_F6
- Tehachapi earthquake, 1952
- Lancaster properties circa 1954
  - Relates to negatives BB\_b048\_F6
- With Julia Seamans N. New Hampshire Ave., 1950
  - o Relates to slides BB b049 F6
- Santa Barbara Mission with Ethel Dean and Julia Seamans circa 1919
- Ethel Dean, longtime girlfriend, 1910, 1936 1947
  - o Relates to negatives, 1910 BB b048 F5
  - o Relates to photo album BB\_b055
- Billie Obdyke Seamans, wife, 1951 1978

## BB b042 F6: Peters Cousins

- Pete Peters Jr. circa 1910 circa 1950
  - o Relates to photo albums
  - Relates to negative BB\_b048\_F6
- Ed Peters' photos, 1973

BB b042 F7: Don Sahlin (family friend and colleague) circa 1953 - 1976

Relates to negatives, 1962 BB\_b049\_F1

## Box 43 (BB\_b043): Paternal Family Photographs – Bakers

BB\_b043\_F1: Baker family homes, Virginia and Pennsylvania

BB b043 F2: Robert Allison Baker business, Highland Park, Los Angeles

- RA Baker and Co. 1905, 1916
- RA Baker and Sons circa 1910

BB\_b043\_F3: Baker home Piedmont Street, Highland Park, Los Angeles, 1909

## BB\_b043\_F4: Baker family

- Family portrait circa 1900
- RA Baker, 1902
- RA Baker, Altadena, circa 1930s, 1944
- RA Jr. and Willis Baker in Coalinga, 1905
- RA Jr., Willis and Hannah Baker at Piedmont house circa 1909
- Malibu Canyon camping, 1902
- Breakfast on Main Street, Pasadena, 1901
- RA Jr. and Willis Baker in Yosemite, 1911
- RA, RA Jr. and Carrie Baker, Highland Park circa 1915

BB\_b043\_F5: Booklet - RA Baker Jr. and children on horseback circa 1905

BB b043 F6: RA Baker Jr. (Al) circa 1900 – circa 1942

BB b043 F7: Baker relatives and family friends

- Aunt Annie, n.d.
- Reuben (R.C.) Baker, uncle
- · Irene Dowd (Poppy), family friend
- May George, wife of Willard George at Stony Hall circa 1920s
- Unidentified

BB\_b043\_F8: Hannah Baker Mann circa 1890s - 1910

BB\_b043\_F9: Willis Baker, 1912 - 1922

## Box 44 (BB\_b044): Bob Baker Childhood and Personal Photographs, 1924 - 1968

### BB b044 F1: Baby Photos 1924 – 1929

Relates to negatives BB\_b048\_F8

#### BB b044 F2: Childhood 1931 - 1934

Relates to negatives, 1930 - BB\_b048\_F8

## BB\_b044\_F3: Childhood with family 1926 – circa 1937

Relates to negatives - BB b048 F8

## BB\_b044\_F4: Childhood with Family Friends

- Jahnke and Laughlin families, 1929
- Jahnke Family, 1930 1931
- Genie Jahnke, 1955- 1956, 1960

## BB\_b044\_F5: Travel photos

- San Diego, 1935
- Movie-of-U, San Diego, 1935
- Tijuana, 1935
- Oregon, Sequoias and Monterrey 1936
  - Relates to negatives -BB\_b048\_F7
- Catalina, 1937, 1939

#### BB b044 F6: Bob Baker 1940 - 1943

- Hollywood High School, 1940 41
- Portraits circa 1942
- Army Air Corps, 1943
  - Relates to negatives BB\_b048\_F9

## BB\_b044\_F7: Bob Baker with family

- Family photos on patio swing, New Hampshire Ave circa 1943
  - Relates to negatives BB\_b048\_F9
- Christmas Patio Party, New Hampshire Ave. 1944
  - Relates to negatives BB\_b048\_F9
- 21<sup>st</sup> Birthday party, New Hampshire Ave, 1945
- Christmas, New Hampshire Ave circa 1947
  - (includes transparencies)
- Christmas visiting relatives in Oakland circa 1949

## BB\_b044\_F8: Bob Baker circa 1950 – 1968

- Portraits circa 1950 1953
  - o Relates to negative circa 1950 BB\_b048\_F9
- Costume party with Alton Wood circa 1955
- Disneyland with Alton Wood circa 1960
- Bob Baker and Alton Wood, 1963, 1968
- Trip to Connecticut, 1966
- Haircut circa 1966
- Pets circa 1959, circa 1968

## Box 45 (BB\_b045) Bob Baker Personal Photographs

## BB b045 F1: Bob Baker 1976 – 1997

- Portrait, 1978
  - O Relates to negative, 1978 BB\_b048\_F9

- Digital prints, 1979
- Snapshots
- Portraits from cruise circa 1996

## BB\_b045\_F2: Alton Wood's photos

- Digital prints, 1974
- House 2120 Hyperion Ave, 1989, 1993, circa 1996
  - o Relates to negatives, 1989 BB\_b049\_F1
- Polaroid photos circa 1996

## BB\_b045\_F3: Family, Friends and Colleagues

- Unidentified, 1969
- Green brothers, 1976
- Joe, Long Beach, 1982
- Tom Ray and Family circa 1990 1995
- Ruth and Richard Botsford circa 1986 2004
  - o Relates to negatives BB\_b049\_F1 F4
- Cousins Bill and Henrietta Richard, Oakland 1991 1996
  - o Relates to negatives -BB\_b048\_F1 F3
- Baker family graves, Forest Lawn Glendale, 1992
  - Relates to negatives BB\_b049\_F2

## BB\_b045\_F4: Family, Friends and Colleagues 1988 – 1997

○ Relates to negatives – BB\_b049\_F1 – F4

## Box 46 (BB b046): Travel

BB\_b046\_F1: Travel - relates to negatives - BB\_b049\_F1

- San Francisco Art Pavilion, 1973
- Unidentified, 1977
- St. Louis, MO, September 1989
- Kentucky Louisville and Kentucky State Fair, September 1989
- Atlanta, September 1989
- Disneyworld, September 1989

#### BB b046 F2: Travel, September – December 1989-relates to negatives BB b049 F1

- New Orleans, LA
- San Antonio, TX
- Big Bear, CA

## BB\_b046\_F3: Travel, 1995 – 2000 – relates to negatives BB\_b049\_F2 – F4

- Reno, 1995
- Trip to Mexico, Catalina, Palm Springs, 1996
- Toledo, OH 1997
- Santa Barbara, 1997
- Las Vegas, 1997
- New Orleans, 2000

## BB\_b046\_F4: Travel, Road Trips and Landscapes circa 1985 – 1997

Relates to negatives - BB\_b049\_F1 – F4

## Box 47 (BB b047): Los Angeles

## BB\_b047\_F1: Los Angeles

- Santa Monica, 1973
- Heritage Square, 1977

- Hyperion and Rowena Avenues circa 1979
  - o Relates to negatives BB\_b049\_F1

BB\_b047\_F2: 217 - 219 N. New Hampshire Avenue 1989 - 2005

BB\_b047\_F3: Southern CA – relates to negatives - BB\_b049\_F1 – F4

- National Orange Show San Bernardino, Hot Dog on a Stick circa 1960
   (no negatives)
- Long Beach circa 1989, 1992, 2005
- Laguna circa 1989
- Pasadena Rose Parade 1985, 1990 1992
- Commerce circa 1995

## BB\_b047\_F4: LA Landmarks significant to Baker 1995 –

- Relates to negatives BB\_b049\_F3
- Hollywood
- Downtown
- Mid-Wilshire

## BB\_b047\_F5: Los Angeles 1988 - 2006

Relates to negatives - BB\_b049\_F1 – F4

# Series 12: Personal and Family Negatives and Slides 1908 – 1982 (BB\_b048 – BB\_B050)

1.5 Linear Feet

## Box 48 (BB\_b048) Negatives

BB b048 F1: Fresno

- Julia, Andrew and Joe Seamans in front of Fresno home (glass plate)
- Peters' family raisin farm, photos by Joe Seamans, 1951, 1960

## BB b048 F2: Julia Seamans

- Portraits 1898, circa 1900, circa 1908, circa 1915
- Photographs by Joe Seamans at park and of family and friends circa 1908

## BB\_b048\_F3: Photos by Joe Seamans from album 1907 – 1908

- Long Beach
- Compton
- Johnsons Residence Hope Street, Los Angeles
- Monrovia

## BB b048 F4: Photos by Joe Seamans from album 1908 – 1910

- Seamans' residence, 8th Street
- Westlake Park
- San Gabriel Mountains
- Mount Wilson
- Los Angeles Air Meet, 1910
- Los Angeles Times Building Bombing, 1910
- Balboa Beach, 1910

## BB\_b048\_F5: Photos by Joe Seamans from album, 1910

- Long Beach and the Pike
- Mount Lowe
- La Jolla, San Diego and Tijuana
- Philadelphia and San Francisco

Hunting Trip and unidentified landscapes

## BB\_b048\_F6: Joe Seamans' photographs

- Central Park (Pershing Square), 1908
- Possibly Venice Beach circa 1910
- Encino, 1914
- Tufts-Lyons and Arms Co. circa 1917 (negative for duplication)
- Jamestown circa 1920s
- Mammoth Lakes, 1947
- Joe and Julia Seamans at N. New Hampshire Ave., 1947
- Angels Camp Vacation, 1952
  - o Relates to Slides BB\_b049\_F5
- Salton Sea, 1952
- Lancaster properties circa 1954

## BB\_b048 F7: Joe Seamans' photographs

- Travel circa 1940s, circa 1952
- Travel Bob Baker childhood trip to Monterrey and Sequoia National Park, 1938

### BB\_b048\_F8: Bob Baker childhood and family

- Bob Baker in toy car series by Joe Seamans, 1930
- Bob Baker with mother Violet Baker, 1926
- Bob Baker on tricycle with grandfather RA Baker circa 1927
- Baker family backyard party series, 1935

## BB\_b048\_F9: Bob Baker family and personal

- Bob Baker in Air Army Corps uniform, 1943
- Bob baker family on back porch swing circa 1943
- Bob Baker Christmas patio party, 1944

#### Box 49 (BB b049) Negatives and Slides 1951 - 2008

## BB\_b049\_F1: Bob Baker negatives

- Family and personal circa 1950 1978
- Personal 1985 1989

BB b049 F2: Bob Baker personal negatives 1990 - 1992

BB\_b049\_F3: Bob Baker personal negatives 1993 - 1997

BB\_b049\_F4: Bob Baker personal negatives 2000 – 2008, undated

BB b049 F5: Joe Seamans' family and travel slides, 1951 - 1956

#### Box 50 (BB b050) Slides

- Bob Baker and Family glass slides, 1938
- R.A. Baker and sons glass slides circa 1910
- Alton Wood and Bakers circa 1959
- Siamese Cat circa 1950
- Los Angeles circa 1982

# Series 13: Personal and Family Papers 1903 – 2000 (BB\_b051 – BB\_B054)

2 Linear Feet

## Box 51 (BB\_b051) Personal and Family Correspondence

- BB\_b051\_F1: Correspondence: R.A. and Carrie Baker, 1933 1944
- BB b051 F2: Correspondence: R.A. Baker Jr. 1903, 1918, 1933 1935
- BB b051 F3: Correspondence: birthday and holiday cards, 1933 circa 1960s
- BB\_b051\_F4: Correspondence: Bob Baker, 1933 1936
- BB\_b051\_F5: Correspondence: Bob Baker, 1972 1975, 1981 82, 2000

## Box 52 (BB\_b052): Peters, Seamans and Baker family papers

BB\_b052\_F1: Peters and Seamans papers

- Hadji Peters Clipping, March 26, 1905
- Notations about Peters family
- Julia Seamans' check, 1914
- Joseph Seamans' postcards and bank card, 1976

BB\_b052\_F2: R.A. Baker financial records, 1936 - 1944

BB\_b052\_F3: Baker family clippings and ephemera, 1922 - 1944

- R.A. Baker
- R.C. Baker Baker Oil and Tools, Inc.
- Willis Baker

BB\_b052\_F4: R.A. Baker Jr. school report on Roosevelt, 1912

• Clippings pasted over log book from 1865

BB\_b052\_F5: R.A. Baker Jr.

- Copy of birth certificate, 1892 from 1943
- Eagle Rock Grammar School certificate, 1902
- Club cards and program
- Work for Goodyear Tire press
  - o The Daily Triangle, 1933
  - Saturday Evening Post, 1933

BB b052 F6: R.A. Baker Jr. financial records 1944 - 1948

## Box 53 (BB\_b053): Baker Family and Childhood papers

BB b053 F1: Baker family

- Violet Baker knitting patterns, undated
- R.A. and Violet Baker calling cards circa 1924
- Bob Baker's Birth announcement, 1924

BB b053 F2: Bob Baker School, 1933 - 1938

- Schoolwork
- Report cards
- Autograph books

BB b053 F3: Bob Baker's childhood artwork, 1933

BB b053 F4: Sheet music

BB b053 F5: Bob Baker clippings and ephemera, 1935 - 1997

#### Box 54 (BB\_b054): Bob Baker Year Books

- Virgil Junior High School 1937 1938
- Hollywood High School 1939 1942
- Alumni lists and reunion information

## Series 14: Photo Albums and Scrapbooks 1910 - 1943

## (BB\_b055 - BB\_b061) 2 Oversize Boxes; 6 flat boxes

## **Box 55 (BB\_b055)** Joe Seamans photo album 1907 – 1910

• Relates to negatives - BB\_b048\_F3 - F5

Box 56 (BB\_b056) Pete Peters Jr. photo album 1918 - 1927, circa 1940s, 1945

Box 57 (BB\_b057) Pete Peters Jr. photo album circa 1920s - 1962

Box 58 (BB\_b058) RA and Violet Baker Jr. family album 1914 – circa 1920

Box 59 (BB b059) RA Baker Jr.

- Photo scrapbook circa 1910
- Albums circa 1912, circa 1918

Box 60 (BB\_b060): Bob Baker's baby book, 1924

Box 61 (BB b061): Bob Baker's childhood scrapbooks, July 22, 1933

Box 62 (BB b062): Bob Baker's scrapbook 1939, 1943

letters while serving in Army Air Corps

## Series 15: Objects and Oversize Items 1924 – circa 1970 (BB\_b063 - BB\_b068) 2 Oversize Box; 4 Flat boxes

## Box 63 (BB\_b063) Bob Baker's baby dress and jacket, 1924

Includes note from Violet Baker, 1977

Box 64 (BB b064): Bob Baker's baby cap, pillowcase and brush, 1924

Box 65 (BB\_b065): Bob Baker's baby shoes, 1925

Box 66 (BB b066): RA Baker Jr. Personal Items

- Watch, wallet, eye glasses, pins
- Leather case notebooks
- Driver's License, 1943
- Free Mason constitution and trowel, 1926
- School Hall Committee Sash and armbands; banner dated 1913 and 1914

#### Box 67 (BB b067): Violet Baker Personal Items

- School autograph book, 1907
- Cook book
- Address Book and photo albums circa 1943 and 1970s

#### Box 68 (BB\_b068): Oversize Items:

- Portrait (drawing) of Joe Seamans as a baby, 1890
- Portraits (drawings) Peter Peters and wife circa 1890
- Violet Baker portrait circa 1910
- Cards to Violet Baker from Bob Baker, 1966, undated
- Bob Baker's illustrated homework "My Trip to China" June, 1932
- Goodyear "R-1" conference, Elks' Club Los Angeles, May 22, 1937 (RA Baker Jr.)