

# HAROLD E. “BUZZ” WALTZ COLLECTION

## Finding Aid



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## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Title:**

Harold E. "Buzz" Waltz Collection

**Date (inclusive):**

1960-1993 (bulk 1969-1972)

**Creators:**

Harold E. "Buzz" Waltz

**Extent:**

.6 linear feet (65 photographs, 243 negatives)

**Repository:**

Palm Springs Art Museum, The Lorraine Boccardo Archive Study Center,  
Palm Springs, California 92263

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**Biographical Note:**

A local resident of Palm Springs, Harold E. "Buzz" Waltz (born 1943) owned and operated the family business, Harold E. Waltz, Photographs and Blueprinting from 1962 to 2012. He provided both commercial photography as well as a complete plan duplicating service for architects and customers.

He studied design and architecture at College of the Desert and is the recipient of awards from the Professional Photographers of America and Professional Photography West. But after the senior Waltz' death in 1962, he assumed the successful business and continued its growth.

**Scope and Content Note:**

The materials were donated by Harold E. “Buzz” Waltz in two parts (S2014.2, S2017.6) and contains one series – 65 Photographs and 243 negatives for a total of 308 items.

**Series:**

- 1. Photographs and Negatives

Inventory S2014.2

The photographs and negatives include primarily views of Palm Springs architecture, buildings both extant and demolished. These include Palm Springs International Airport, Merrill Lynch building, both designed by Don Wexler and Palm Springs Municipal Golf Club House designed by Kaptur and Lapham and also includes the Bullocks Building before demolition.



**All images have been digitized.**

Container 1: Envelope containing photos and negatives of the Bullocks Building (before demolition)

Date: 1993

Contains:

14 negatives,

28 color photographs

Container 2: Negatives and photographs

Date: Bulk 1969-1972

Contains:

161 negatives

32 photos

Description	Date	Negatives/Photos
Alan Ladd Building (Kaptur and Lapham – Palm Springs)	7/7/1969	29, 6 photos
Camelot Theater	9/11/1970	4
Church of Latter Day Saints (Palm Springs)	11/01/1970	10, 1 photo
Church of Christ (Palm Springs)	11/01/1970	4
Church on Sunrise (Palm Springs)	09/01/1974	20
Community Church (Palm Desert)	05/01/1971	2 , 1 photo
College of the Desert [C.O.D.] Reflection Pond & Library (Palm Desert)	10/24/1972	4, 1 photo
Corle & Wessman—Gas Co. Bldg.	3/1/1970	1, 1 photo
Ernie Harn House	5/1971	3
Hayden House (Eldorado)	5/1971	2, 1 photo
Merrill Lynch (Wexler)	03/01/1973	8, 8 photos

Palm Springs Cemetery	9/12/1972	4, 1 photo
Palm Springs Cemetery Chapel (Harrison)	8/29/1972	1
Palm Springs Desert Museum	1952/1953, 9/1975	2
Palm Springs Fire Station #4 (Kaptur)	1974	3
Palm Springs Mall	09/11/1970	4
Palm Springs Municipal Airport (Wexler)	08/02/1970	3
Palm Springs Municipal Club House (Kaptur and Lapham)	10/26/1969, 5/1971	10, 1 photo
Palm Springs National Bank (Lapham - Rancho Mirage)	12/22/1970	4
Palm Springs Post Office	9/10/1970	4 4 photos
San Diego Federal Bank	04/04/1972	5, 1 photo
Southern California Gas Company	05/01/1971	2, 1 photo
Spa Hotel (Wexler & Harrison)	01/21/1966, 12/27/1971	13
Tennis Club Hotel	12/29/1971	2
United California Bank	04/24/1972	7, 4 photos
Villa Alejo (courtyard)	No date	2
Wells Fargo Bank	No date	4

Inventory S2017.6

Item: Negatives and photographs (Primarily Palm Springs buildings)

Dates: 1960, 1970, 1972

Container 1:

68 Negatives – 4” x 5”

5 Color photos –3.5” x 3.5”

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Description	Date	Negatives/Photos
Palmer and Krisel (?) – Palm Springs residence	12/1960	5 photos
Convalescence House	12/11/1970	3
Diplomat Condo	8/29/1972	4
Fey Club House	9/10/1970; 9/18/1970	10
Hungry Tiger Restaurant	9/18/1970	6

Joseph Magnin Store	9/11/1970	4
Marrakesh Club House and Gate (Palm Desert)	8/4/1972	4
Medical Science Complex	9/19/1972	2
Merrill Lynch	8/4/1972	8
San Diego Federal Savings	No date	1
Silverwoods and Joseph Magnin	9/11/1970	5
Systems Electric (Indio)	9/19/1972	2
United California Bank (Palm Desert)	8/4/1972	8
Vagabond Motor Hotel	4/12/1972	3
Villa Del Vista Apts	9/14/1972	4
Walker Scott	9/18/1970	4

### **Indexing – Names**

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