

Henrietta Block photograph collection, circa 1910s-1950s

Overview of the Collection

Creator	Block, Henrietta, 1897-1989
Title	Henrietta Block photograph collection
Dates	circa 1910s-1950s (inclusive) 1910 1959
Quantity	28 photographic prints (1 folder) ; sizes vary
Collection Number	PH1439
Summary	Photographs of Henrietta Block family and friends, Seattle school classes, Green Lake area.
Repository	University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 speccoll@uw.edu
Access Restrictions	The entire collection can be viewed on the Libraries' Digital Collections website. Permission of curator required to view original photographs. Contact University of Washington Libraries Special Collections.
Languages	English

Biographical Note

Henrietta Lillian Block was born Henrietta Levinson on February 10, 1897 in Hennepin County, Minnesota. Her father Soloman Levinson, age 42, was born in Sweden and her mother Rose / Rosa (nee Zimmerman), age 31, was born in Iowa. Her family moved to Seattle before she was three years old. Henrietta attended Seattle's Daniel Bagley School and Lincoln High School. Henrietta married Frank Joseph Hirshberg on October 12, 1919, when she was 22 years old. They had three children together, Joseph Frank Hirshberg born February 16, 1922; Edward Joseph Hirshberg born September 26, 1923; and Henry Hirshberg born in 1926. Her husband Frank passed away on November 9, 1929, in Fort Benton, Montana, at the age of 40. Her son Henry passed away on February 9, 1930, in Seattle, Washington, at the age of 4. Henrietta married Robert A. Nathan in Seattle, Washington, on February 26, 1931, when she was 34 years old. Her husband Robert passed away on April 29, 1955, in Seattle, Washington, at the age of 71. They had been married 24 years. On March 10, 1958, Henrietta married Walter Block in Nevada, when she was 61 years old. Walter passed away on May 14, 1969, in Seattle, Washington, at the age of 78. Her son Edward Joseph passed away on July 10, 1973, in Mercer Island, Washington, at the age of 49. Henrietta died on October 6, 1989, in Seattle, Washington, at the age of 92.

Other Descriptive Information

Forms part of the Washington State Jewish Archives.

Content Description

Photographs of Henrietta Block family and friends, Green Lake area, Seattle school classes.

Use of the Collection

Alternative Forms Available

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Administrative Information

Processing Note

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Transferred from the Henrietta Block photographs (Manuscript Collection 3217) and Subject Files in 2016

Detailed Description of the Collection

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Folder	Item		
1	1-2	Front of a house, possibly Henrietta's childhood house [view] Written on verso: 2nd house front.	circa 1911
1	3	Henrietta's eighth grade graduation at Daniel Bagley School [view]	1912

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	From accompanying material: Henrietta is in row two, second from left in white.	
1 4	Crowd watching performance in Lincoln High School Auditorium [view]	circa 1914
1 5	Henrietta on stage in Lincoln High performance [view] Written on verso: Lincoln High play. Henrietta Block, 6th from Left.	circa 1914
1 6	Group of male and female students in front of a house at Henrietta's high school party [view] From accompanying material: Henrietta's High School party circa 1914-- all Jewish.	circa 1914
1 7	Bailey Dinkelspeil, Harold Ostrow, Anita Brown and others standing outside at Henrietta's high school party [view] From accompanying material: Green Lake at a party upper left Bailey Dinkelspeil, Harold Ostrow, Anita Brown in front with belted suit.	circa 1914
1 8	Henrietta, Viola Silver, Beth Stusser, Florence Freyd, Fieda Faston, and Sylvia Gross sitting on stairs in front of a house [view] From accompanying material: 1st row Viola Silver and Beth Stusser. 2nd row Florence Freyd, Fieda Faston. Top-Henrietta and Sylvia Gross. "The Jolly Pickles" circa 1914 Green Lake.	circa 1914
1 9	World War 1 convict ship in Seattle [view]	1915
1 10	Henrietta and a young woman in swimming suits and eating at Green Lake [view]	circa 1916
1 11	Henrietta and friend on house porch [view] From accompanying material: A gentile girl	circa 1916 - 1920
1 12	Henrietta and Dorothy Baker standing outside [view] From accompanying material: Dorothy Baker. Father held her in arms to turn on first lights in Seattle.	circa 1916 - 1920
1 13	Henrietta posing with a group of women [view] From accompanying material: top row Hoffman, 4th Rochelle Lurie, Henrietta is bottom 2nd from left.	circa 1916 - 1920

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1 14	Henrietta, Viola Silver, and another woman posing in a walnut tree [view] From accompanying material: Green Lake orchard black walnut tree left - Viola Silver, Henrietta and unidentified friend while in high school.	circa 1916 - 1920
1 15	Henrietta, Sylvia Gross, Frieda Fasten, and Alice Aronson sitting on steps in front of a house [view]	circa 1916 - 1920
1 16	Alice Aronson, Frieda Fasten, Henrietta, and Sylvia Gross posing outside with house in background [view]	circa 1916 - 1920
1 17	Henrietta, Florence Freyd, Beth Stusser, Viola Silver, and another woman sitting in the grass [view] From accompanying material: L to R: Henrietta, Florence Freyd, Beth Stusser, ?, Viola Silver	circa 1916 - 1920
1 18	Henrietta and four women standing under trees [view] From accompanying material: 3rd from left Miss Gross, Seattle School teacher. Daughter married Norton Shafer.	circa 1916 - 1920
1 19	Henrietta and Frieda Fasten in front of a house on Seattle's Capitol Hill [view] From accompanying material: Frieda Fasten white coat and Henrietta on Capitol Hill.	circa 1916 - 1920
1 20	Leo Steinhauer on steps in front of a house [view] From accompanying material: Leo Steinhauer, Henrietta's first cousin.	circa 1910 - 1920
1 21	Woman standing on steps in front of a house, possibly Henrietta during World War 1 [view]	circa 1910 - 1920
1 22	Alice Aronson Goldsmith [view]	circa 1915 - 1925
1 23	Henrietta's mother Rose Levinson with Etta Schermer [view]	circa 1930s
1 24	Cora Dinkelspeil Koch, Jennie Dinkelspeil Newberger, Etta Dinkelspeil Schermer Friedman, and Mother Mrs. Bella Dinkelspeil in front of Green Lake home [view] From accompanying material: Etta Friedman Schermer in front.	circa 1930s

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1 25	Mrs. Dinkelspeil, Jane Freyd and other women in front of Green Lake home [view] From accompanying material: Dinkelspeil above Jane Freyd.	circa 1930s
1 26	Henrietta's mother, Rose Levinson and Mrs. Baker standing outside [view] From accompanying material: Henrietta's mother and Mrs. Baker, mother of girl who turned first lights on in Seattle.	circa 1930s
1 27	Etta Dinkelspeil Schermer and Jennie Dinkelspeil Newberger [view]	circa 1930s
1 28	Large group around tables at a dinner party [view] From accompanying material: Private party circa 1950's. L to R Sol Esfeld, Mrs. L. Weisfield, Leo Weisfield, Ann Dulien, Lou Dulien. At back Sanford Bernbaum at end Flo Schoen. Dr. Norman Clein, Estelle and Addis Gutmann, Mrs. Paul Friedlander, Paul Friedlander.	circa 1950s

Names and Subjects

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 School children--Washington (State)--Seattle--Photographs
 Schools--Washington (State)--Seattle--Photographs
 Women--Washington (State)--Seattle--Photographs

Personal Names :

Block, Henrietta, 1897-1989--Family--Photographs
 Block, Henrietta, 1897-1989--Friends and associates--Photographs
 Block, Henrietta, 1897-1989--Photographs

Geographical Names :

Green Lake (Seattle, Wash.)--Photographs

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