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## **Guide to the David M. Baker Papers**

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** David M. Baker Papers

**Dates:** 1900-2002

**Bulk Dates:** 1950-2000

**Collection number:** 2004-04

**Collection Size:** 3.75 linear feet3 Cartons

**Repository:** Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society  
San Francisco, California 94105

**Abstract:** Photographs, photograph albums, scrapbook albums, ephemera, and correspondence of David M. Baker, one of the writers of the collaborative gay play Crimes Against Nature. Ephemera and photographs include those specific to the cast and reviews of the play.

**Physical location:** Stored at the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society in San Francisco, California

**Languages:** Languages represented in the collection: English

### Access

Collection open for research.

### Publication Rights

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### Preferred Citation

David M. Baker Papers, 2004-04, Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society.

### Scope and Content of Collection

Photographs, photograph albums, scrapbook albums, ephemera, and correspondence of David Baker, one of the writers of the collaborative gay play "Crimes Against Nature." Ephemera, scrapbooks and photographs include those specific to the cast and reviews of the play. Extensive newspaper clippings on the play and performances. Other items include numerous family photographs, programs and playbills for other plays [with both gay and straight themes], extensive correspondence with father, cards and postcards, ephemera, and information on his AIDS regimen and alternative therapies. The correspondence and photographs trace David Baker's relationship with his father from his childhood, through college, and his subsequent diagnosis with AIDS. Journals have dated entries.

### Subjects and Indexing Terms

Gay men

AIDS (disease)

Theater

Diaries

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- Box 1                      2004-04 **Photograph and scrapbook albums circa 1900-2000 circa 1900-2000**  
**Creator:** David M. Baker  
**Physical Description:** 1 box  
**Series Scope and Content Summary**  
Photograph and scrapbook albums: family, friends and school activities.
- Box 2                      2004-04 **"Crimes Against Nature" and other theatrical materials circa 1940-2000 circa 1940-2000**  
**Creator:** David M. Baker  
**Physical Description:** 1 box  
**Series Scope and Content Summary**  
Theatrical materials related to the plays "Crimes Against Nature," "Another Bad Hair Day", and others with LGBT content including cast photographs, scripts, VHS recordings of performances, clippings scrapbook, and miscellaneous family photographs.
- Box 3                      2004-04 **Personal correspondence and journals circa 1940 - 2002 circa 1940 - 2002**  
**Creator:** David M. Baker  
**Physical Description:** 1 box  
**Series Scope and Content Summary**  
Personal correspondence, daily journals, daily calendars, address book, art materials, AIDS related materials.