

Local History Resource Center
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George Peabody House Collection, 1989-2009

Collection Summary

Reference Code: MPeal

Repository: Local History Resource Center, Peabody Institute Library, Peabody Massachusetts.

Call Number: MS4

Creator: Peabody Institute Library

Title: George Peabody House Collection

Dates: 1989-2009

Size: 0.15 Linear Feet (Quarter of a box.)

Language(s): Collection materials are in English.

Abstract: Materials that pertain to the history and happenings at the George Peabody House and Leatherworkers Museum from.

Organizational History

In 1989, the city bought the house from Eastman and turned it into the George Peabody House Museum. In 2009 the Peabody Leatherworkers Museum was built. The museum shows how Peabody became the "Leather Capital of the World." Within the museum does have machinery and photographs and other materials that explain how hides were tanned and turned into goods. A *Boston Globe* article from the October 30, 2011 issue states that "The museum came about with the efforts of Peabody Mayor Michael Bonfanti and Community Preservation Act money, and opened two years ago. Many of the artifacts were donated by John Smidt of John Smidt and Co., Inc., a former Peabody tannery."

Arrangement

Series 1 George Peabody House

Scope and Content:

The materials in this collection are in one series and were mainly created by the George Peabody House between the years 1989-2009. Included are volunteer applications, coloring books, exhibit programs, walking tours and a deed of gift.

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation: [identify the item], [folder number], George Peabody House Collection, Local History Resource Center, Peabody Institute Library.

Custodial History: Unknown. Materials were compiled by the staff and volunteers of the Peabody Institute Library during an unknown time period prior to 2013.

Acquisition Information: Purchased from a seller on eBay from October of 2017 until December of 2017.

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Conservation Notes: Staples removed and replaced with archival paperclips.

Related Collections: None

Separated Material: None.

Subjects:

George Peabody House & Leatherworkers Museum
Burns, Phyllis Kennedy
Gallant, Bonnie
Barlow, George
Bowers, Cheri
Henderson, Rosemary O'Brien
Peabody Institute (Peabody, Mass.)
Essex National Heritage Area
Woodman, Patricia

Collection Inventory:

Series 1: George Peabody House 1989-2003

This series contains materials that were created by the George Peabody house. Among the materials are walking tour pamphlet, Leatherworkers. There is a deed of gift that was signed by Rosemary O'Brien Henderson and programs for public programs.

Box Number/Folder Title	Folder Number
Box 1	
Proposed Schedule for George Barlow Director of the Peabody Trust, 1989	1
“Good George Peabody” song lyrics, 1989	2
Program for <i>Building Dwelling Thinking</i> Exhibit, 1989	3
Volunteer Application for the George Peabody House, 1989	4
George Peabody Coloring Book, 1989	5
Massachusetts Town & City Survey, 1989	6
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