

Guide to the **Drama Club of Ithaca Collection**

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COLLECTION DESCRIPTION

This collection contains the records of The Drama Club of Ithaca from 1914 to 2015. The Drama Club was founded in 1914 as the Modern Drama Study Club; the current name was adopted in 1920. The 1958 history by Ruth Thompson summarizes the purpose of the club as “to stimulate our minds a little, gossip a little, and learn first to be merry and then to be wise, and be fully conscious of what awfully nice people we are.” The club met weekly at the home of one of the members with breaks for the summer and winter holidays. Each meeting saw the reading of a play (or plays) researched and introduced by the play leader, and the enjoyment of tea or a luncheon, as well as the occasional guest speaker.

This collection includes the minutes of the club from November 1960 to May 2012; member lists; logs and schedules of plays read and meeting locations; member correspondence, publications, honors, and obituaries; and photographs of meetings.

CONTAINER LIST

Box 1

Drama Club Constitutions	Folder 1
Treasurer’s Book 1965-1996	Loose in Box
Log of Plays Read 1914 – 1985	Loose in Box
“History of the Drama Club 1914-1958”	Folder 2
Meeting Schedules 1986-2011	Folder 2

The Drama Club Member Master List	Folder 2
The Drama Club Member Lists 2004-2001	Folder 2
Material Pertaining to the 100 th Anniversary Celebration November 7, 2014 at the William Henry Miller Inn, Ithaca, NY	Folder 3
The Drama Club Minutes November 1960 – December 1972	Loose in Box
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The Drama Club Minutes January 1973 – May 1976	Loose in Box
The Drama Club Minutes November 1976 – December 1981	Loose in Box
The Drama Club Minutes January 1982 – April 1986	Loose in Box
The Drama Club Minutes October 1986 – April 1989	Loose in Box
The Drama Club Minutes November 1989 – April 1992	Loose in Box
The Drama Club Minutes November 1992 – April 1996	Loose in Box
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The Drama Club Minutes November 1996 – December 2000	Folder 4
The Drama Club Minutes January 2001 – December 2005	Folder 5
The Drama Club Minutes February 2006 – December 2009	Folder 6
The Drama Club Minutes January 2010 – May 2012	Folder 7
The Drama Club Scrapbook, 1959 – 2015 Part One: member correspondence, accomplishments, and obituaries	Folder 8
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The Drama Club Photographs FBO-0165.1 – .101	Folder 10
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