

# **Finding Aid - Basil and Edythe Hartley fonds (27)**

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## Summary information

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**Repository:****Title:** Basil and Edythe Hartley fonds**ID:** 27**MOA Object ID  
[alternative]:** A1535**Date:** ca. 1941-1944, 1983 (date of creation)**Physical description:** 3 audio cassettes  
3 photographs : b&w ; 12 x 7.5 cm and smaller  
1 film reel : 8 mm  
1 p. textual records**Dates of creation,  
revision and deletion:**


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## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

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**Note**

Reverend Basil Shakespeare Sutherland Hartley was ordained by the BC Conference of the United Church of Canada in 1939. Accompanied by his wife Edythe, Hartley worked in communities throughout BC, including Skidegate (1939-1940), Kitimaat (1941-1943), Windermere Valley (1944-1945), Greenwood (1946-1947), Nakusp (1948-1950). In 1951 he retired to Vancouver, and later lived in Nanaimo (1953), Castor, Alberta (1945-1955), and Rocky Mountain House (1956-1957). He died in 1973. Edythe Hartley later remarried, becoming Edythe McClure.

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**Note**

Edyth McClure was the wife of the former United Church missionary, Rev. Basil Hartley, who served in the Kitimat area.

**Custodial history**

Edythe McClure donated the audio cassette and photographs to the museum in 1983. The 8mm film reel was discovered in the backlog of the MOA Archives. Both audio and video recordings have been referred to in Archival documentation under the heading 'McClure film.'

## Scope and content

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Fonds consists of audio, video, and visual materials created by Basil and Edythe Hartley. Materials include video footage of the Haisla people, which Hartley shot while working in Kitimaat from 1941-1944, a voiceover for the footage which Hartley's widow, Edythe McClure, created in ca. 1983, a letter, and three photographs of Kitimaat people and landscapes. The three audio cassettes all contain the same 1983 recording.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on provenance of the records.

### Restrictions on access

Consult archivist for details.

### Conditions governing use

Copyright holder for the video reel has not been established. Consult Archivist for details.

### Related material

One of the photographs shows a canoe, carved by the Kitimaat Athletic Club, which is in the MOA artifact collection (MOA ID number A1535).

Related material in other archives: The Cranbrook Archives holds several photographs that are part of an Edythe McClure Collection. The Kitimat Museum and Archives also has an Edyth McClure fonds. Edythe McClure and Edyth McClure are identified as the same person.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** published
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## Access points

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- Basil Hartley
  - Edythe Hartley McClure
  - Multiple media (documentary form)
  - Textual record (documentary form)
  - Graphic material (documentary form)
  - First Nations (subject)
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- Religion (subject)
- Haida Gwaii (place)
- Kitimat (place)
- Greenwood (place)
- Nakusp (place)
- Nanaimo (place)

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## Series descriptions

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Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
01	File - Kitimaat photographs and correspondence	1941-1944, 1983		
02	File - Kitamaat film – by Edythe (Hartley) McClure [audio]	ca. 1983		
03	File - Tape 258 – associated with “Kitamaat Film” by Edythe (Hartley) McClure (soundtrack) [audio, duplicate]	ca. 1983		
04	File - Tape for Edythe (Hartley) McClure film (Kitamaat) – Duplicate	ca. 1983		
05	File - McClure film	ca. 1941-1944		