

# Guide to the Christie Young oral history interview

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## **Summary Information**

**Repository:** University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special

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**Creator:** Young, Christie, 1956-

**Contributor:** Las Vegas Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Archives Oral

**History Project** 

**Title:** Christie Young oral history interview

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**Date:** 1998 October 18

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**Description:** 

**Language of the** English

Material: Abstract:

Oral history interview with Christie Young conducted by Dennis McBride on October 18, 1998 for the Las Vegas Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Archives Oral History Project. In the interview, Young talks about her early life in Reno, Nevada and her experiences with race and sexuality during this time. She then describes attending University of Nevada, Reno in 1974, getting pregnant, having an abortion, and the social implications of abortions. Young recalls moving to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1979 to study anthropology at University of Nevada, Las Vegas, learning about gay culture, and attending the Metropolitan Community Church. She then explains joining gay rights organizations as a straight woman, gay rights activism in the 1980s and 1990s, and stories of individuals within the Las Vegas

gay community.

## **Preferred Citation**

Christie Young oral history interview, 1998 October 18. OH-02043. [Cite format consulted: Audio recording or Transcript.] Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## **Acquisition Note**

This interview was conducted by Dennis McBride. Materials from this oral history project were donated to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives on an ongoing basis ending in 2016.

### **Processing Note**

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017 and 2019. Jimmy Chang wrote the collection description. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by an external vendor into a digital format. MP3 files of the audio are available for research use. The audio has been minimally reviewed and all readily available information has been included in the description.

## **Bound Transcript Availability**

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## **Names and Subjects**

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Gay community
- Gay rights
- Political activists
- Abortion
- Metropolitan Community Church (Las Vegas, Nev.)