

# Guide to the Keena Smith oral history interview

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# **Summary Information**

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# Scope and Contents Note

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- African Americans
- Performing arts

• Las Vegas (Nev.)