



## Guide to the Center Stage, Incorporated Records

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Center Stage, Inc.
<b>Contributor:</b>	Simon, Lenore Andrea, 1950-
<b>Contributor:</b>	Brown, Alana
<b>Title:</b>	Center Stage, Inc. Records
<b>ID:</b>	MS-00551
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1994-2008
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.65 Cubic Feet (2 boxes)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.50 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Center Stage, Inc. Records (1994 to 2008) are comprised of photographs, bylaws, correspondence, meeting minutes, publicity, scripts, programs, cast lists, and video cassettes of a number of the productions. Center Stage Theater Inc. was the first LGBT theater company in Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Historical Note

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Center Stage, Inc. was established in 1999 by Lenore Andrea Simon and Alana Brown. Center Stage was the first lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender (LGBT) theater company in Las Vegas, Nevada. The company closed in 2003, due to three factors: the productions did not get the support from the gay community that Brown and Simon expected; consistently poor reviews of productions; and Brown and Simon shifted their focus to other endeavors. Despite its short period of operation, Center Stage was an important creative development in the Las Vegas LGBT community and provided a source of alternative theater in the city.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain in original order.

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## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated by Alana Brown in 2009 through Dennis McBride; accession number 2009-006. Additional materials were donated by Dennis McBride in 2019; accession number 2019-035.

### Processing Note

Material was processed by Dennis McBride in 2009. In 2014 Dallas Reiber enhanced the collection description to bring it into compliance with current professional standards. In

2017 Joyce Moore revised the inventory. In 2019 Mary Anilao rehoused the 2019 addition and updated the finding aid in ArchivesSpace.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Gays and the performing arts
- Theatrical producers and directors
- Gay community
- photographs

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers	
Kokopelli Award, 2000	box 01	folder 01
Articles of Incorporation, 1999	box 01	folder 02
Bylaws, 2000-2001	box 01	folder 03-04
Correspondence, 1999-2002	box 01	folder 05
Correspondence, 2000-2001	box 01	folder 06
Dissolution, 2008	box 01	folder 07
Meeting minutes, 2001	box 01	folder 08
Notes, undated	box 01	folder 09
Prospectus, undated	box 01	folder 10
Publicity, 2000	box 01	folder 11
Ticket sign out policy, undated	box 01	folder 12

Last Summer at Bluefish Cove, 1994-1995

	box 01	folder 13-19
Last Summer at Bluefish Cove, 1999	box 01	folder 20
The Second Coming of Joan of Arc, 1999	box 01	folder 21-23
Hidden: A Gender, 2000	box 01	folder 24
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, 2000	box 01	folder 25-30
Sappho, 2001	box 01	folder 31
Sappho in Love: Property list, 2001	box 01	folder 32
Sappho in Love: Cast list, 2001	box 01	folder 33
Sappho, 2001	box 01	folder 34
Sappho in Love, rehearsal schedule, 2001	box 01	folder 35
Sappho in Love publicity, 2001	box 01	folder 36
Sappho in Love correspondance, 2001	box 01	folder 37
Cy Ever Told, publicity, 2001	box 01	folder 38
Cy Ever Told: Program, 2001	box 01	folder 39
Before it Hits Home, 2002	box 01	folder 40
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, script, 2002	box 01	folder 41
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, audition sheets, 2002	box 01	folder 42
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, cast list, 2002	box 01	folder 43
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, rehearsal schedule, 2002	box 01	folder 44
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, publicity, 2002	box 01	folder 45
A Very Gay Christmas Carol Program, 2002		

	box 01	folder 46
Twilight of the Golds, actor resumes, 2003	box 01	folder 47
Twilight of the Golds, 2003 Physical Description: 1 VHS Tapes	box 02	
A Very Gay Christmas Carol, 2002 Physical Description: 1 VHS Tapes	box 02	
The Second Coming of Joan of Arc, 2002 Physical Description: 2 VHS Tapes	box 02	
The Most Fabulous Story Ever Told, 2001 Physical Description: 1 VHS Tapes	box 02	
Sappho in Love, 2001 Physical Description: 1 VHS Tapes	box 02	
Hidden: A Gender, 2000 Physical Description: 2 VHS Tapes	box 02	
The Second Coming of Joan of Arc, 2000 Physical Description: 2 VHS Tapes	box 02	
Last Summer at Bluefish Cove, 1999 Physical Description: 2 VHS Tapes	box 02	
A Very Gay Christmas Carol t-shirt, 2000	box 02	
Hidden: A Gender t-shirt, 2000	box 02	
Sappho in Love ceramic mug, July 2001 Physical Description: blue with white lettering; 3.75" tall x 3.25" diameter	box 02	
A Very Gay Christmas Carol ceramic mug, 2000 Physical Description: white with mulberry lettering; 3.75" tall x 3.25" diameter	box 02	
Hidden: A Gender ceramic mug, September 2000 Physical Description: black with white lettering; 3.75" tall x 3.25" diameter	box 02	
Last Summer at Bluefish Cove ceramic mug, 1999 Physical Description: white with blue lettering; 3.75" tall x 3.25" diameter	box 02	
Sappho in Love t-shirt, 2001	box 02	
Last Summer at Bluefish Cove t-shirts, 1999	box 02	
The Most Fabulous Story Ever Told photographs, 2001 November to 2001 December Physical Description: 12 Photographic Prints	box 02	
Hidden: A Gender photographs, 2000 September	box 02	

Physical Description: 31 Photographic Prints

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Sappho in Love photographs, 2001 July box 02

Physical Description: 11 Photographic Prints

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A Very Gay Christmas Carol photographs, 2000 December box 02

Physical Description: 11 Photographic Prints

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Twilight of the Golds photographs, 2003 July to 2003 August box 02

Physical Description: 26 Photographic Prints

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The Second Coming of Joan of Arc photograph, 2000 January box 02

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Last Summer at Bluefish Cove photograph, 1999 September box 02