

# Guide to the Dennis McBride Collection of Gay Erotica

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## **Summary Information**

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

Collections and Archives.

**Collector:** McBride, Dennis

**Title:** Dennis McBride Collection of Gay Erotica

**ID:** MS-00624

**Date [inclusive]:** 1960-2006

**Physical** 3.24 Cubic Feet (5 boxes)

**Description:** 

**Physical** 2.71 Linear Feet

**Description:** 

**Language of the** English

Material:

**Abstract:** The Dennis McBride Collection of Gay Erotica (1960-2006)

contains a selection of pornographic publications, three VHS tapes of erotic films, and photographic prints mail ordered from gay erotica or physique photography studios. The three studios represented in this collection are Alexander Studio, Sierra

Domino Studio, and Third World Studio.

#### **Preferred Citation**

Dennis McBride Collection of Gay Erotica, 1960-2006. MS-00624. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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#### **Historical Note**

Physique photography studios photographed models, often in the nude, attempting to capture their physique. Some studios were known for specializing in male erotic photography. Studios frequently sold photograph sets by mail order, which served as a referral service for models and photographers.

Alexander Studio, owned and operated by photographer David Alexander in New York, specialized in photographs of black men and interracial couples. Photographer Craig Calvin Anderson was active in San Francisco in the late-1960s and early-1970s, and his Sierra Domino Studio was known for being one of the first to publish erotic male nudes using only African-

American models. Third World Studio, which operated out of Chicago, Illinois, was created in 1976 by photographer James L. Jaeger and also primarily photographed African-American male models. Source:

Erotic and Physique Studios Photography Collection, Coll2014-051, ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives, USC Libraries, University of Southern California.

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## **Scope and Contents Note**

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## Arrangement

Materials remain as they were received.

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#### Administrative Information

#### **Access Note**

Collection is open for research.

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## **Acquisition Note**

Materials were donated in 2007 by Dennis McBride; accession number 2007-022.

## **Processing Note**

In 2019, as part of an archival backlog elimination project, Sarah Jones rehoused the materials, wrote the finding aid, and entered the data into ArchivesSpace.

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#### **Related Materials**

#### **Related Collections**

The following resources may provide additional information related to the materials in this collection:

Anthony M. Valentino Erotica Collection, 1950s-1990s. MS-00568. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

Dennis McBride Erotica Collection, 1950s-1980s. MS-00552. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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# **Names and Subjects**

- Gay pornography
- Pornography
- photographs

## **Collection Inventory**

Title/Description	Containers
Pornographic magazines and publications, 1960-2006	box 01
	box 02
Photographic prints from physique and gay erotica studios, 1970s-1980s	box 03
Gay Erotica from the Past, #2-3, 2000-2001	box 03
Physical Description: 2 VHS Tapes	
Gay Erotica from the Past, #5, 2001	box 04

Physical Description: 1 VHS Tapes		
Male physique periodicals, 1960-2006	box 04	
	box 05	