

Guide to Fercos Family Publicity Collection

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Summary Information

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

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Creator: Fercos Family

Title: Fercos Family Publicity Collection

ID: MS-00919

Date [inclusive]: approximately 1978 to 1989

Physical 0.06 Cubic Feet (1 oversized folder)

Description:

Physical 2.00 Linear Feet

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Language of the English

Material:

Abstract: The Fercos Family Publicity Collection (approximately 1978-1989)

contains newspaper articles, advertisements, and a poster promoting the Flying Fercos, a family of juggling and acrobatic performers who performed in Las Vegas, Nevada at the Dunes Hotel during the 1970s and 1980s. The materials document the Fercos family's act as part of producer Frederic Apcar's shows

such as Casino de Paris and Hot Shock.

Preferred Citation

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Historical Background

The "Flying Fercos" were a group of entertainers formed by the Fercos family who specialized in juggling and high flying acrobatics. The family, originally from Czechoslovakia, was discovered by Las Vegas, Nevada producer Frederic Apcar in Switzerland in the early 1970s. Acpar invited the Fercos family to bring their act to Las Vegas as part of his show, *Casino de Paris*, at the Dunes Hotel. The "Flying Fercos" performed at the Dunes Hotel throughout the 1970s and 1980s. After their parents retired, two of the siblings, Tony and Ferdinand, created a new act that included magic and exotic animals. For over thirty years the Fercos have traveled throughout the United States and around the world with their act.

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Sources:

"About Us," The Fercos Brothers. Accessed November 16, 2020. http://fercosbrothers.net/web/about-us/.

"The Fercos "Untamed Illusions."" Howard Beder Presents First Class Entertainment. Accessed November 16, 2020. https://gotofirstclass.com/talentroster.talent_CE97A054733CB723401737B4FB280C15.htm.

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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

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Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2019 by Tony Fercos; accession number 2019-020.

Processing Note

In 2020, Tammi Kim minimally processed the collection and created the finding aid in ArchivesSpace.

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Names and Subjects

- Entertainment
- Acrobats
- Dunes Hotel and Casino (Las Vegas, Nev.)

Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
The Flying Fercos promotional posters, publicity, and newspaper clippings,	flat file
approximately 1978 to 1989	01