



## Guide to the Benny Binion oral history interview

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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>	Binion, Benny, 1904-1989
<b>Title:</b>	Benny Binion oral history interview
<b>ID:</b>	OH-00017
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	approximately 1975 to 1977
<b>Physical Description:</b>	3 Digital Files (0.804 GB) MP3, PDF
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Benny Binion conducted by an unknown interviewer circa 1975 to 1977. In this interview, Binion discusses his arrival to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1946 and his involvement with the town in the early 1950s. He discusses what motivated him to move, his involvement with the Las Vegas Club, and his decision to build The Westerner and eventually Binion's Horseshoe on Fremont Street. He also describes what gaming was like in Las Vegas when he first arrived, and his interactions with other casinos such as the Flamingo, Eldorado Club, and Hotel Apache in 1951.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Note

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he first arrived, and his interactions with other casinos such as the Flamingo, Eldorado Club, and Hotel Apache in 1951. Digital audio and transcript available.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Casinos -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Gaming -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Casinos -- Management
- Binion's Horseshoe Club
- The Westerner