



## Guide to the Sam Boyd oral history interviews

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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>	Boyd, Sam A., 1910-1993
<b>Contributor:</b>	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
<b>Title:</b>	Sam Boyd oral history interviews
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<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interviews with Sam Boyd conducted by John Chickering, Ralph Roske, and Mark Lilley on February 16, 1973, February 28, 1977, and May 09, 1979 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Throughout the interviews, Boyd touches on the social, political, and industrial changes that occurred in Southern Nevada pertaining to hotels/casinos, America's involvement in wars, and political figures that shaped Nevada's jurisdiction.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Note

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Oral history interviews with Sam Boyd conducted by John Chickering, Ralph Roske, and Mark Lilley on February 16, 1973, February 28, 1977, and May 09, 1979 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. In the first interview, Boyd touches on the Carole Lombard Plane Crash, meeting President Johnson, the blackout after Pearl Harbor, World War II, atomic testing,

the industry and Corporate growth in Southern Nevada, flash flooding, racial changes, and Governor Sawyer. The second interview discusses gaming culture in Las Vegas, Nevada, the Catholic Church, Board of Trustees of the Rosa de Lima Hospital, and various hotels and casinos. In the third interview, Boyd talks about owning multiple hotels in the Valley and interacting with Howard Hughes. Digital audio, transcript, and photograph available.

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### Acquisition Note

University of Nevada, Las Vegas History Professor Ralph Roske donated materials for this oral history project to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in the 1980s.

### Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Nia Banks wrote the collection description. The audio cassette(s) for this interview have been reformatted by an external vendor into a digital format. MP3 files of the audio are available for research use.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
  - Las Vegas (Nev.)
  - Gaming -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
  - Democratic Party of Nevada
  - World War, 1939-1945
  - Hotel management
  - Hughes, Howard, 1905-1976
  - Lombard, Carole, 1908-1942
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Audio unavailable for the February 16, 1973 interview.

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