



Guide to the Gloria Freeman Dell oral history interview

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Summary Information

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| Abstract: | Oral history interview with Gloria Freeman Dell conducted by Claytee D. White on April 05, 2011 for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. In this interview, Dell discusses her life as a Las Vegas, Nevada showgirl and her experiences in the entertainment industry. She describes working at the Flamingo Hotel and tells several anecdotes about prominent entertainers she met or performed with, including Dean Martin, Frank Sinatra, and Ella Fitzgerald. Dell also discusses living in a barracks specifically for showgirls, being pursued romantically by Howard Hughes, and concludes the interview by singing a song from one of her former acts. |

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Scope and Contents Note

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living in a barracks specifically for showgirls, being pursued romantically by Howard Hughes, and concludes the interview by singing a song from one of her former acts. Digital audio available; no transcript available. Digital photographs available.

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- Showgirls -- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Entertainment -- Nevada -- Las Vegas
- Hughes, Howard, 1905-1976

- Flamingo Hotel & Casino (Las Vegas, Nev.)