



Guide to the Rowena Gonzalez oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
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Title:	Rowena Gonzalez oral history interview
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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Rowena Gonzalez conducted by Michael Boyd on March 01, 1977 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Gonzalez first talks about her family background and residential history before discussing the way of life in Texas and eventual move to Las Vegas, Nevada. Several topics covered in the interview include Gonzalez's recollections of the atomic testing, the building of the Boulder (Hoover) Dam, and Howard Hughes. The two also discuss tourism, the properties on the Strip and in Downtown Las Vegas, and early means of transportation.

Preferred Citation

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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

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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)

- Atomic bomb -- Testing
- Hoover Dam (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Hughes, Howard, 1905-1976