

Guide to the Albert (Bert) Hood oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Hood, Bert (Albert), 1930-
Contributor:	Las Vegas Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Archives Oral History Project
Title:	Albert (Bert) Hood oral history interview
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Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Albert Hood conducted by Dennis McBride on June 16, 1998 for the Las Vegas Gay Archives Oral History Project. In this interview Bert Hood discusses his early life, getting married to a woman, joining the army, discovering his sexuality, and the various loves of his life. He also talks about coming to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1962, working at the Sands Hotel as a bartender, serving The Rat Pack, who tipped him generously, cruising at Squires Park, local gay landmarks, and the first drag shows in Las Vegas.

Preferred Citation

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bartender, serving The Rat Pack, who tipped him generously, cruising at Squires Park, local gay landmarks, and the first drag shows in Las Vegas. Digital audio and transcript available.

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Acquisition Note

This interview was conducted by Dennis McBride. Materials from this oral history project were donated to UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives on an ongoing basis ending in 2016.

Processing Note

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017. Minaam Baseer 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.

Bound Transcript Availability

A bound transcript is available for use in UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives: HQ76.2.U52 N34 1998

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- Gay rights -- Nevada -- Las Vegas -- 21st century

- Gay businessmen
- Gays and the performing arts
- Gay clubs -- Nevada
- Gays -- Social life and customs -- Nevada -- 20th century
- Las Vegas (Nev.)