



Guide to the Virginia Houser oral history interview

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Summary Information

Repository:	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
Creator:	Houser, Virginia I., 1922-
Contributor:	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
Title:	Virginia Houser oral history interview
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Language of the Material:	English
Abstract:	Oral history interview with Virginia Houser conducted by Karen Reed on March 20, 1978 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. Houser discusses her move to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1954 and the developments and changes that she has observed in the city. Houser also discusses the entertainment that Las Vegas, Nevada offered at the time, and surrounding areas, including Lake Mead and Mount Charleston, Nevada. Houser then discusses some of the first casinos that opened on the Las Vegas Strip and on Fremont Street.

Preferred Citation

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Scope and Contents Note

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casinos that opened on the Las Vegas Strip and on Fremont Street. Digital audio and transcript available.

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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.)

- Lake Mead National Recreation Area (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Mount Charleston (Nev.)
- Entertainment
- Helldorado Parade (Las Vegas, Nev.)