



Guide to the Judith Lee Johnson Jones oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Judith Lee Johnson Jones conducted by Claytee D. White on February 22, 2007 for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. Johnson Jones discusses winning a contest that allowed her to be a showgirl at the Sands Hotel and Casino when she was seventeen, receiving a college degree in Houston, Texas, and performing in the Elvis movie "Viva Las Vegas." She also talks about her twenty-nine-year career in education.

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Scope and Contents Note

Oral history interview with Judith Lee Johnson Jones conducted by Claytee D. White on February 22, 2007 for the Boyer Early Las Vegas Oral History Project. Johnson Jones discusses how The Houston Chronicle sponsored a contest that added the Texas Copa girls to the showgirls in the Copa Room at the Sands Hotel and Casino, and being one of the winners in 1958 at the age of seventeen. She also discusses going to college, receiving her degree, and becoming Miss Houston. Johnson Jones also talks about moving back to Las Vegas, Nevada, performing in the Elvis movie

"Viva Las Vegas," and having a twenty-nine-year career in education. Digital audio and transcript available.

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Processing Note

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Bound Transcript Availability

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)

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