

## Guide to the Rick May oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	May, Rick L.
<b>Contributor:</b>	Las Vegas Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Archives Oral History Project
<b>Title:</b>	Rick May oral history interview
<b>ID:</b>	OH-01232
<b>Date:</b>	2001 December 29
<b>Physical Description:</b>	4 Digital Files (0.126 GB) MP3
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Rick May conducted by Dennis McBride on December 29, 2001 for the Las Vegas Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Archives Oral History Project. May begins by discussing his upbringing in Texas, what it was like growing up knowing he was gay while living in a conservative area, and the moment he accepted his sexuality. May describes some of his early sexual experiences with other men and moving to Las Vegas, Nevada, so that he could contribute to the gay community. May details attending and organizing gay pride events in Las Vegas, participating in the gay community, and starting his own gay-friendly business, named "R & R Sorted Sundries." May also discusses his work as a nurse.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Administrative Information

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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. Kyle Gagnon 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. The audio has been minimally reviewed and all readily available information has been included in the description.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)

- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Gay community
- Gay pride celebrations -- Nevada
- Businesspeople – Nevada – Las Vegas