



## Guide to the Harry Wham 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>	Wham, Harry P. (Harry Paul), 1919-1983
<b>Contributor:</b>	Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas
<b>Title:</b>	Harry Wham oral history interview
<b>ID:</b>	OH-01962
<b>Date:</b>	1981 March 07
<b>Physical Description:</b>	2 Digital Files (0.077 GB) MP3
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Harry Wham conducted by Martha Mast on March 07, 1981 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. In this interview, Wham discusses arriving to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1954 as an entertainer at the Silver Slipper Casino. Wham then talks about underwater diving and his experiences as a professional diver. Wham later recalls discovering jellyfish and other marine animals at Lake Mead during one of his diving trips. Lastly, Wham discusses the changes that Las Vegas went through, specifically changes in live entertainment around the city.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Note

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discusses the changes that Las Vegas went through, specifically changes in live entertainment around the city. Digital audio available; no transcript available.

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## Administrative Information

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### Acquisition Note

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

Interview materials were processed by UNLV Libraries Special Collections and Archives in 2017 and 2019. Miguel Dominguez 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.)
- Mead, Lake (Ariz. and Nev.)
- Scuba divers
- Entertainers