



Guide to the Debra Nutton oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Debra Nutton conducted by David Schwartz on June 15, 2015 for the Table Games Management Oral History Project. In this interview, Nutton discusses her career in gaming. She talks about working at the MGM Grand in 1976, going to dealing school, and becoming one of the first female craps dealers in Las Vegas, Nevada. Nutton remembers auditioning for various casino floors, her teachers, and becoming a floor manager. She then recalls the opening of the MGM Mirage, applying for a pit manager position there, and being hired as the only female pit manager in 1989. Later, Nutton describes the role of casino shift manager, handling issues with customers, and begin a casino manager for twelve years. Lastly, Nutton discusses her move to meeting Steve Wynn and becoming a casino manager for the Wynn.

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Acquisition Note

The recorded interview and transcript have been made possible through the generosity of the UNLV University Libraries Advisory Board. In 2015, the Center for Gaming Research undertook a series of interviews with casino table games managers in order to capture the complexity and history of this position. This interview is part of that series.

Processing Note

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Names and Subjects

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Card dealers
- MGM Grand Las Vegas
- MGM Mirage
- Wynn Las Vegas