

Guide to the Thomas Young Jr. oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Stefani Evans on October 20, 2017 for the Building Las Vegas Oral History Project. In this interview, Young Jr. discusses his early life in Ogden, Utah and his father's sign manufacturing business, Young Electric Sign Company (YESCO). Young Jr. recalls the company's growth, the management style that his father used, and the early signs they designed. He talks about the jobs he held at the company, the use of neon gas in signs, and bringing their company to Las Vegas, Nevada. Lastly, Young Jr. describes the early signs that were done for Las Vegas properties, moving neon

figure signs, and building a headquarters in Las Vegas.

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Scope and Contents Note

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and bringing their company to Las Vegas, Nevada. Lastly, Young Jr. describes the early signs that were done for Las Vegas properties, moving neon figure signs, and building a headquarters in Las Vegas. Digital audio available; no transcript available.

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- · Neon signs
- Signs and signboards
- Young Electric Sign Company