



## Guide to the Hernando Amaya 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>	Amaya, Hernando, 1954-
<b>Contributor:</b>	Latinx Voices of Southern Nevada Oral History Project
<b>Title:</b>	Hernando Amaya oral history interview
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<b>Date:</b>	2018 October 18
<b>Date:</b>	2018 December 03
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<b>Language of the Material:</b>	This interview was conducted in Spanish.
<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Hernando Amaya conducted by Laurents Banuelos-Benitez, Marcela Rodriguez-Campo, and Barbara Tabach on October 18, 2018 and December 3, 2018 for the Latinx Voices of Southern Nevada Oral History Project. In this interview, Hernando Amaya talks about his childhood and education in Bogota, Colombia. He discusses his start in journalism as a young man and working for <i>El Espectador</i> , the Colombian national newspaper. He discusses his experiences reporting on the narco-terrorism occurring in Medellin, Colombia and how this eventually led to his immigration to the United States. Amaya moved to Las Vegas, Nevada in 2001 and continued his career in journalism by working for local Spanish speaking papers and websites. He relates his civic involvement in the Las Vegas area, his work as the president of the Colombian Association of Las Vegas, and various other civic engagements. As a journalist, he asserts the importance of knowing one's culture, storytelling, learning history, and being active in the community.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## **Names and Subjects**

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Colombian Americans
- Emigration and immigration
- Civic improvement
- Political activism -- Nevada
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Journalists
- Drug traffic
- El Tiempo (Las Vegas, Nev.)