

Guide to the Irma Varela oral history interviews

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Summary Information

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Mexico, her move to Las Vegas, Nevada in 1989, and how religion has affected her life. She also describes her work as the Cultural Program Supervisor at Winchester Community Center, and her career in preserving Hispanic cultural traditions in Las Vegas. Varela talks about being an active leader in local Las Vegas organizations and events such as the Mexico Vivo Dancing

Company, Dia de los Muertos (Day of the Dead) celebrations, and

the International Food and Folklife Festival.

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Scope and Contents Note

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Names and Subjects

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- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Mexican Americans
- Folk festivals
- Community centers
- Latinxs

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