



## Guide to the Reika Sun oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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<b>Abstract:</b>	Oral history interview with Reika Sun conducted by Kristel Peralta on June 21, 2021 for Reflections: The Las Vegas Asian American and Pacific Islander Oral History Project. Reika Sun discusses her childhood in Shanghai, China during the "one-child policy" and her upbringing by nannies while her parents worked. She shares how her family immigrated to Las Vegas in 2009 to reunite with Reika's aunt and how Reika moved to Kansas to attend an English as a Second Language (ESL) program at Kansas State University. Reika also talks about her restaurant employment history after returning to Las Vegas, her membership in the Culinary Workers Union, and Chinese traditions and superstitions she grew up learning.

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)
- Shanghai (China)
- Manhattan (Kan.)

- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Chinese
- Immigrants
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- Emigration and immigration
- English language -- Study and teaching -- Foreign speakers
- Manners and customs
- Superstition
- Chinese New Year
- Food service
- Hotels -- Employees
- Labor union locals -- Nevada
- Women labor union members
- Bellagio Hotel and Casino
- Culinary Workers Union Local 226