

GLBT Historical Society
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Holdings Related to Immigration

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This research guide is intended to help users locate holdings related to immigrant rights and immigration at the GLBT Historical Society.

It highlights holdings in the following areas:

- Organizational records and personal papers
- Oral histories

Other collections may contain relevant materials. Researchers are encouraged to also conduct their own searches of the catalog and finding aids. Please contact the GLBT Historical Society Archivist (reference@glbthistory.org) with any questions or comments.

Organizational records and personal papers (listed alphabetically)

Randy Alfred Subject Files and Sound Recordings, 1991-24

Dates: 1974-1990, size: approximately 22 linear feet

Randy Alfred was a freelance journalist and radio talk show host in the San Francisco area during the 1970s-1980s. Collection contains research files (clippings, fliers, brochures, correspondence, and notes) and audiotapes – primarily concerning lesbian and gay issues and organizations in San Francisco during the 1970s and 1980s – assembled by Alfred in the course of his hosting of the KSAN public affairs radio show *The Gay Life*. At least five episodes of *The Gay Life* cover issues related to anti-gay immigration policy and law.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt0w10244m/>

Asian/Pacific AIDS Coalition Records, 1996-24

Dates: 1987-1995, size: 4.75 linear feet

The Asian/Pacific AIDS Coalition (APAC) was originally formed as the Asian/Pacific AIDS Task Force in 1987. APAC, like the Black and the Latino Coalitions on AIDS, was part of the second wave of People of Color AIDS groups in San Francisco. It served primarily as an advocacy group and a bridge between various Asian political, healthcare, and other organizations. The collection covers various issues in which the APAC was involved, including immigration and exclusion of HIV+ People between 1991 and 1994.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt100025b5/>

Allan Bérubé Papers, 1995-17

Dates: 1946-2007, size: 97.45 linear feet

The Allan Bérubé Papers document the personal life, family history and professional work of Allan Ronald Bérubé (1946-2007), a community historian, teacher, author and activist who wrote frequently about the intersections of class, race, and sexuality. The collection includes his extensive research files on the topics of gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender history. Of particular note are Bérubé's writings and research files on the Marine Cooks and Stewards Union, including the illustrated talk, "No Red-Baiting! No Race-Baiting! No Queen-Baiting!" There are several unfinished manuscripts and the oral histories he conducted for this project. Included in this collection are immigration papers and documents of Bérubé's partner Brian Keith, information on proposal to add AIDS as grounds for exclusion, and research files on immigration law.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c83f4rcg/>

Jorge Cortiñas papers, 1998-42

Dates: 1989-1994, size: 1 linear foot

Jorge Cortiñas was a leader in the movement to lift all HIV-related restrictions on immigration to the United States, through his involvement in both ACT UP San Francisco/Golden Gate's Immigration Working Group and the Coalition for Immigration and Refugee Rights and Services (CIRRES) HIV Task Force. Between 1989 and 1992, Cortiñas and other activists from these organizations participated in a number of "zap" actions and protests designed to raise awareness of HIV-related immigration policy. In 1991, ACT-UP and CIRRES helped organize a campaign that criticized the choice of location for the 8th International Conference on AIDS, scheduled for Boston in 1992.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8rf624q/>

Greg Day papers, 2002-24

Dates: 1964-1998, bulk 1980s, size: 10 linear feet

Greg Day is a photographer, activist, and former political candidate for the San Francisco Board of Supervisors and Board of Education. This collection contains materials about a variety of groups with which Day has been involved, including materials regarding the Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund (1981), immigration lawsuit (circa 1982-1983), Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Committee legal affidavits (related to immigration case circa 1981), and other materials regarding immigration decisions affecting LGBT people.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8h41zcf/>

Desi del Valle collection of International Lesbian and Gay Association records, 1994-20

Dates: 1989-1993, size: 0.2 linear feet

Contains materials related to the International Lesbian and Gay Association, [Gay and Lesbian] Center Liaison Committee (New York) meeting minutes, Lambda Legal Defense and Education Fund news releases and photographs from three East Coast events taken by Desi del Valle. Includes folder of material on United States Immigration/INS campaign (1990).

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c88c9wwm/>

Tomas Fabregas papers, 1996-44

Dates: 1990-1994, size: 3 linear feet

Tomas Fabregas, a Spanish citizen, traveled to the United States in 1979 and became a legal permanent resident. When he was diagnosed as HIV positive in 1989, Fabregas became an AIDS activist. In his capacities at the San Francisco AIDS Foundation and the Joint Immigration Working Group of ACT UP San Francisco and ACT UP Golden Gate, Fabregas campaigned to have immigration and travel restrictions on HIV positive people lifted worldwide. In the United States, Fabregas campaigned against the Nickles amendment, a piece of U.S. legislation which retained the exclusion of HIV positive immigrants and travelers. Fabregas also campaigned both the Bush senior and Clinton administrations to release the HIV positive Haitian refugees quarantined at Guantanamo Bay. He was instrumental in urging the 8th International AIDS Conference to move the conference location from Boston due to U.S. immigration and travel restrictions on HIV positive people.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8w66sw3/>

David Lamble audio recordings, 1992-07

Dates: 1955-1991, size: 41 linear feet

This collection contains 20 years of reel-to-reel audiotapes from several radio programs hosted and/or produced by David Lamble, including Fruit Punch (KPFA), Just Before Dawn (KCHU), Traffic Jam, A Closer Look (KQED) and KGO-FM. Three recordings include discussion on the San Francisco Lesbian and Gay Freedom Day Parade Commission and Immigration.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8qn6dps/>

Lesbian/Gay Advisory Committee to the San Francisco Human Rights Commission records, 1994-33

Dates: 1986-1992, size: 0.8 linear feet

The bulk of the collection consists of agendas, minutes, and documentation of issues discussed during meetings of the Lesbian and Gay Advisory Committee to the San Francisco Human Rights Commission, from 1986-1992. Issues covered include domestic partnership legislation, AIDS/HIV discrimination and immigration, the battle for inclusion of gay/lesbian events and historical information in public school textbooks, and the Catholic Church's stance on homosexuality.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/c8kp882x/>

Steve Morin Papers, 1992-04

Dates: 1987-1992, size: 12 linear feet

Morin served as Congresswoman Nancy Pelosi's legislative assistant from 1987-1992. He wrote policy which Pelosi presented in Congress and organized meetings to further awareness of, and gain support for, AIDS public policy. The papers provide evidence of various aspects of AIDS public health policy legislation, including a Congressional Research Service Report on Immigration Admission of HIV-Positive Aliens (1991), and material related to AIDS, Immigration Issues, and the Hans Paul Verhoef case (1987-1991).

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt8b69r2s1/>

San Francisco AIDS Foundation (SFAF) Records, 2006-03

Dates: 1983-2006, size: 13.42 linear feet

This collection contains records documenting the activities of the San Francisco AIDS Foundation (SFAF) from 1983 through 2006, including a position statement regarding Immigrants and HIV (1994-1995), and a Public Policy document titled HIV/AIDS and Immigrants: A Manual for Service Providers (2004).

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt3f59q8qj/>

San Francisco LGBT General Subjects Ephemera Collection, SUB EPH

Dates: 1960-2010, size: 16.5 linear feet

Consists of a wide range of ephemera related to LGBT communities in San Francisco and the Bay Area, representing a diverse collection of subjects, ranging from AIDS, bathhouses, city agencies and sex clubs, to collections of catalogs and directories. Materials includes a folder related to AIDS immigration discrimination issues circa 1988-1992, and protests of immigration laws circa 1979-2000.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt3779s0c3/>

San Francisco LGBT Groups Ephemera Collection, GRP EPH

Dates: 1950-2010, size: 33 linear feet

Consists of ephemera pertaining to groups affiliated with San Francisco's LGBT community. The bulk of the material is from the late 1970s through the 1990s, with the homophile groups of the 1960s represented as well. Most of the materials are related to the prominent national political and social events and movements of their time, primarily the Gay Liberation Movement, the Gay Rights Movement, and the AIDS crisis. Collection includes materials from Immigration Equality, circa 2005-2006, and the Lesbian and Gay Immigration Rights Task Force, 1995-2000.

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt687036vt/>

San Francisco Women's Building/Women's Centers Records, 1996-15

Dates: 1966, 1972-2001, size: 23 linear feet

San Francisco Women's Centers (SFWC) emerged out of the radical feminist and lesbian/feminist movements of the early 1970s. This collection represents the history of the San Francisco Women's Building/Women's Centers from 1972 to 2001. It includes material related to the Task Force on Immigrant Issues and information on S.O.S. (1994).

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt696nb1jq/>

Oral histories

GLBT Historical Society oral history collection, GLBT-OH

Dates: 1977-2009, size: 33 linear feet

This is a collection of over 500 oral histories that have been collected by the GLBT Historical Society. The oral histories focus on the LGBT community in the Bay Area and Northern California. Issues related to immigration are discussed by John Smith (Mir Ali Liaquat), interviewed by Radha Raman on 2/24/1999, and by Simon Karlinsky, interviewed by Martin Meeker in the period of 7/16/1994 - 8/6/1994. To search oral histories by name or keyword and find transcripts, go to: <http://www.glbthistory.org/research/index.html>

Link to finding aid: <https://oac.cdlib.org/findaid/ark:/13030/kt4779s1bc/>