



Guide to the Ed Collins oral history interview

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Summary Information

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Abstract:	Oral history interview with Edward A. Collins conducted by Steven L. Smith on March 15, 1981 for the Ralph Roske Oral History Project on Early Las Vegas. In this interview Ed Collins discusses gender equality in the culinary industry of Las Vegas, Nevada and the changes he saw in the industry over the years. He also speaks about Bugsy Siegel's influence on the emergence of big shows on the Las Vegas Strip. He then discusses Las Vegas before and after the appearance of Howard Hughes and Bob Maheu.

Preferred Citation

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Processing Note

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Names and Subjects

- Oral histories (document genres)
- Las Vegas (Nev.)
- Las Vegas Strip (Nev.)
- Siegel, Bugsy, 1906-1947

- Hotel Last Frontier
- Hughes, Howard, 1905-1976
- Maheu, Robert, 1917-2008