



## Guide to the Ron Lawrence Collection of 1980 Reno Gay Rodeo Photographs

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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>	Lawrence, Ron, 1944-
<b>Title:</b>	Ron Lawrence Collection of 1980 Reno Gay Rodeo Photographs
<b>ID:</b>	PH-00154
<b>Date:</b>	1980
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.10 Cubic Feet (1 folder (shared box))
<b>Physical Description:</b>	0.10 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Ron Lawrence Collection of 1980 Reno Gay Rodeo Photographs consists of 87 35mm color slides of the 1980 National Reno Gay Rodeo which took place August 1-3, 1980, in Reno, Nevada. The images are presumably taken by Lawrence. Images show different events such as bronc riding, calf roping, and barrel racing. Also included are views of spectators sitting in the stands, dancing, and preparing for events.

### Preferred Citation

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials remain as they were received.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

Collection is open for research.

### Publication Rights

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2008 by Ronald W. Lawrence; accession number 2025-036.

### Appraisal

Acquired by Su Kim Chung, curator, as part of UNLV Special Collections and Archives holdings in Las Vegas LGBTQ history. All material that formed the original gift has been retained.

### Processing Note

In 2025, Sarah Jones accessioned the collection, rehoued the material, and wrote the finding aid in ArchivesSpace. Slides 0154\_0025 and 0154\_0069 were blank and intentionally left out of the inventory.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Collections

The following resources may provide additional information related to the material in this collection:

Dennis McBride Photograph Collection, approximately 1904-2018. PH-00263. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada. <http://n2t.net/ark:/62930/f11449>

Reno Gay Rodeo Collection, 1977-1988. MS-00503. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada. <http://n2t.net/ark:/62930/f1ts40>

Ron Lawrence Photograph Collection, approximately 1980-1994, 2013. PH-00424. Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada. <http://n2t.net/ark:/62930/f10953>

Ron Lawrence oral history interview, 1997 June 22. OH-01070. Oral History Research Center, Special Collections and Archives, University Libraries, University of Nevada, Las Vegas. Las Vegas, Nevada.

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## Names and Subjects

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- color slides
- Gay rodeos -- Nevada -- Reno
- Gay community
- Rodeos

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## Collection Inventory

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Title/Description	Containers	
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Individuals carrying various flags inside the arena: 35mm color slide, 1980 August (0154_0002)	box SH-084	folder 01

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Two men stand in the center of the arena talking, one is holding rope: 35mm color slide, 1980 August (0154_0006)	box SH-084	folder 01
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