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Diane F. Germain
Collection, 1974-2009

FINDING AID AUTHOR

Gabrielle Garcia

ACQUISITION INFORMATION

Diane F. Germain donated these materials to Lambda Archives of San Diego in 2010.

PROCESSING INFORMATION

This collection was processed by Gabrielle Garcia as part of the 2020 CSL Project.

EXTENT

Number of containers: 1

Linear feet of shelf space: 0.25

ABSTRACT

BIOGRAPHY OR HISTORY

“Diane F. Germain is a French-American lesbian-feminist psychiatric social worker. She conducts the Lesbian History Project and created and conducted a strength group for Women Survivors of Incest and/or childhood molestation for five years. She was one of the founding members of Dykes on Hikes, The Lesbian Referral Services, Beautiful Lesbian Thespians, and California Women's Art Collective. She was an early principal member of the San Diego Lesbian Organization and a collective member of both Las Hermanas, a women's cultural center and coffee-house, and the Califia Community, a feminist educational retreat. She worked at Lambda Archives throughout the 1990s interviewing women for history and gathering collections. She later returned to serve as the Student Volunteer Coordinator. She was the staff cartoonist for HotWire: The Journal of Women's Music, Culture of Chicago, and Lesbian News. She is featured in both the anthology Tomboys! edited by Lynne Yamaguchi and Karen Barber, and Lesbian Culture: An Anthology.”

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COLLECTION SCOPE AND CONTENT

This collection contains materials pertaining Diane F. Germain's friendships with other lesbians (Barbara Jean Grimes, Kate Rosenblatt, Carmela Flores), Germain's writings and work, her literary and theatrical interests (Lorraine Hansberry), Anne Frank, and zine making. These materials include photographs, cards, programs, website printouts, articles, notes, memorial programs and eulogies, and booklets.

ARRANGEMENT

This collection consists of 1 box.

SEPARATED MATERIAL

In this field, list any materials that have been removed from the collection and transferred to another collection, department (e.g., the library), or institution.

1. DVD: [D182]
 - a. "Lesbian Health Heroes" 1993 by Cindy Nelson

SUBJECTS

Diane F. Germain, Barbara Jean Grimes, Lorraine Hansberry, Kate Rosenblatt, Carmela Flores, Cindy Nelson, Anne Frank, death, lesbians, newspapers, periodicals, bars, theater

CONDITIONS GOVERNING ACCESS

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PREFERRED CITATION

The suggested citation for the collection is:

[Item Description]
Diane F. Germain Collection, 1974-2009
Lambda Archies of San Diego
San Diego, California

RELATED MATERIAL

L1998.08, L2001.07, L2007.03, L2010.16, L2010.26

LOCATION NOTE

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LANGUAGES

English

CONTAINER LIST

| Box | Item | Description | Date(s) | |
|-----|------|---|-----------|--|
| 1 | 1 | 4 photographs of Diane F. Germain and Barbara Jean Grimes 1980 | 1980 | |
| 1 | 2 | 1 green Kwanzaa card with 6 women in cloth dresses 1990 | 1990 | |
| 1 | 3 | 1 'Raisin in the Sun' program (featuring Shekinah Perkins) | | |
| 1 | 4 | 4 pages of Web Portal for Lesbians of Color "Femme Noir" about Lorraine Hansberry | | |
| 1 | 5 | 4 pages "Forever Young Article" on Anne Frank (Smithsonian) | | |
| 1 | 6 | 1 list of gay bars and their addresses in San Diego in 1974 for SDSU assignment | 1974 | |
| 1 | 7 | 2 pages Kate Rosenblatt memorial program and Germain's eulogy 2009 | 2009 | |
| 1 | 8 | 3 pages Carmela Flores memorial program, paper photo of Germain and Flores, and Germain's eulogy | | |
| 1 | 9 | 2 pages 1979 copy of "A Dyke Goes to Washington," Germain's letter to editor, and paper photo | 1979 | |
| 1 | 10 | 1 pink "Zines! Feminist Do-It-Yourself Publishing" booklet June 17-20, 2004 | 2004 | |
| 1 | 11 | 1 purple "Zine and Heard: Zine Reviews Published in <i>Feminist Collections: A Quarterly of Women's Studies Resources</i> " booklet 2002-2004 | 2002-2004 | |