

Finding Aid to Joshua Aidan Dunn collection

(#2016-22)

Repository: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society

Collection Title: Joshua Aidan Dunn collection

Collection Number: 2016-22

Physical Description: 9 linear feet (6 cartons and 1 medium oversize box)

Creator: Dunn, Jordan Aidan

Date (inclusive): circa 1990s-2000s

Language of Material: English

Abstract: Joshua Aidan Dunn is an Osage Two-Spirit activist, known for his work as executive director of Youth Gender Project/Youth TIES and a member of Bay Area American Indian Two-Spirits (BAAITS). The collection consists of subject files -- most of them pertaining to advocacy for trans, intersex, and queer youth -- as well as a small amount of material related to Youth Gender Project.

Preferred Citation:

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Conditions Governing Access:

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Acquisition Information:

The collection was donated to the GLBT Historical Society by Joshua Aidan Dunn in 2016, with additional materials donated in 2022.

Processing Information:

Finding Aid created by Isaac Fellman in 2019 and updated by Devin McGeehan Muchmore in 2023.

This finding aid uses terminology for LGBTQ people that was in current use at the time of its creation. Descriptive language for queer identities evolves quickly and some of these terms may now be dated or even offensive. Finding aids are themselves historical documents; they reflect the moment in which they were written and often reflect the terms that subjects used for themselves. Please contact the GLBT Historical Society Archivist with questions or comments.

Biographical/Organizational History Note: Joshua Aidan Dunn is an Osage Two-Spirit activist, known for his work as executive director of Youth Gender Project/Youth TIES and a member of Bay Area American Indian Two-Spirits (BAAITS).

Scope and Content: The collection consists of subject files, most of them pertaining to advocacy for trans, intersex, and queer youth, as well as a small amount of material related to the Youth Gender Project. The files include ephemera from various groups and conferences, including programs, newsletters, and informational handouts, as well as t-shirts and posters. Material related to Bay Area American Indian Two-Spirits (BAAITS) can be found in Bay Area American Indian Two-Spirits records (2019-81), also held by the GLBT Historical Society.

Indexing Terms:

Transgender people

Intersex people

Sexual minority youth

San Francisco Bay Area (Calif.)

Container Listing

Carton 1

Scope and Content: Ephemera related to LGBT adults, LGBT youth, and trans people of all ages. Folders include informational brochures; guides to social, legal, and health services; newsletters; and a small number of zines and comics.

Carton 2

Scope and Content: Reports, newsletters, agenda, and resources guides related to intersex people; LGBT adults; LGBT youth activism, including a Gay-Straight Alliance; and LGBT spiritual practices, including the San Francisco Gay Coven. Also includes several issues of *Vital Signs*, *Black Sheets*, and *Vanguard*.

Carton 3

Scope and Content: Brochures, newsletters, magazines, and DVDs gathered by Dunn during the 2006 International Lesbian and Gay Association (ILGA, currently known as the International Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Intersex Association) conference in Geneva, Switzerland. Also includes several LGBT-related DVDs and CDs, and a bag of political buttons from the 1990s and 2000s.

Carton 4

Scope and Content: Includes several folders of training materials, correspondence, event flyers, and informational literature from the Youth Gender Project, including materials related to Genderblast events and Youth Ties. Also includes subject files related to intersex people and trans adults in the 2000s.

Carton 5

Scope and Content: T-shirts commemorating Pride celebrations in Europe and the United States, dating to the 1990s and early 2000s.

Carton 6

Scope and Content: Brochures, newsletters, and training manuals relating to trans youth and adults; t-shirts commemorating LGBT groups and events; and an award from the Transgender Law Center.

Oversized Box 1

Scope and Content: Event posters.