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**BRYAN FONSECA  
ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW AND TRANSCRIPT,  
23 JANUARY 2015**

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## **COLLECTION INFORMATION**

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NOTES: Forms part of the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project.

## **BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH**

In 2014 the Indiana Historical Society began the Indiana LGBT Collecting Initiative to collect, preserve, and make accessible materials that document the rich history, tradition, and culture of Indiana's LGBT communities. Part of the collecting initiative includes the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. During the time period of 2014-2015, interviews were conducted of individuals, couples and families from all walks of life in Central Indiana area. This collection centers around the oral history interview of Bryan Fonseca conducted by Mark Lee on January 23, 2015.

Bryan Fonseca (b. 1954) grew up in Gary, Indiana and was a dual major of sociology and theater at Indiana University-Northwest. He moved to Indianapolis in 1978 for job opportunities with local theatres, which were producing more thought-provoking productions than his hometown was. After coming out in 1987, he became politically active and attended several early protests and marches in Washington, DC. Fonseca has been a theater producer, director and administrator for the Phoenix Theatre of Indianapolis for over thirty years. He currently resides in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sources:

Information found in the collection.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview was transcribed from a video recorded interview with Bryan Fonseca conducted on January 23, 2015 by Mark Lee, lead project manager for the Indianapolis/Central Indiana LGBT Oral History Project. The interview, which includes the video recording and the transcript, is housed at the William H. Smith Memorial Library, Eugene and Marilyn Glick Indiana History Center, Indianapolis, Indiana.

The video recorded interview is approximately two hours and forty-five minutes long, and is recorded on one DVD.

The collection includes one folder with preliminary questionnaires, newspaper articles about the interviewee and the interview transcription.

The following is an index to the oral history transcript listing the topics discussed and the pages on which they can be found.

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