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**FRED DUNCAN AND JIM LUCE  
ORAL HISTORY INTERVIEW AND TRANSCRIPT, 2014**

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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 Jim Luce and Fred Duncan conducted by Mark Lee on October 28, 2014.

Jim Luce (b. 1964) grew up in Indianapolis, Indiana. He is the Director of Palliative Care at IU Health and has worked in nursing homes and other healthcare institutions for over twenty-five years. He volunteered for the Damien Center during the AIDS crisis of the late 1980s and early 1990s, during which time his first partner died of the disease. Luce also helped to establish the Indianapolis Men's Chorus in 1989. Fred Duncan (b. 1958) grew up in rural Kentucky and moved to Indianapolis in 1990. He met Jim shortly thereafter, and they dated for several years before their first commitment ceremony in 1993. Jim and Fred became legally married in Vermont in both 2000 and 2012, due to modified laws concerning civil unions. They currently reside in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Sources:

Information found in the collection.

## SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE

The interview was transcribed from one video recorded interview with Fred Duncan and Jim Luce conducted on October 28, 2014 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 is recorded on two DVDs. The collection includes one folder with articles from the *Indianapolis Star* 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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