Finding Aid to the Joseph Fischer Collection of Vietnam War Era Political Protest Posters

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Title: Joseph Fischer collection of Vietnam War era political protest posters
Creator: Fischer, Joseph
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Physical Description: 90 prints in 3 folders : chiefly color serigraphs and lithographs ; various sizes
Date (inclusive): approximately 1968-1972
Abstract: San Francisco Bay Area political protest posters from the Vietnam War era, most of them denouncing war, criticizing U.S. foreign policy of the Lyndon B Johnson and Richard M. Nixon administrations, demanding support for the peoples of Vietnam and Cambodia, and/or promoting peace.
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Immediate Source of Acquisition
The Joseph Fischer collection of Vietnam War era political protest posters was given to The Bancroft Library by Joseph Fischer in 2016.

Biographical / Historical
Joseph Fischer: born 1926; received M.A. from University of California, Berkeley; Southeast Asian scholar; long-time Berkeley resident.

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Scope and Content
San Francisco Bay Area political protest posters from the Vietnam War era, most of them denouncing war, criticizing U.S. foreign policy of the Lyndon B Johnson and Richard M. Nixon administrations, demanding support for the peoples of Vietnam and Cambodia, and/or promoting peace. Other topics include the Kent State University shootings, support for the United Farm Workers union, People's Park, and criticism of the police. Many posters feature silk-screened designs created by University of California, Berkeley students in the College of Environmental Design, Wurster Hall, perhaps for a program named Gorilla Graphics, as suggested by one poster in the collection (no. 85).

Subjects and Indexing Terms
Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Pictorial works
Vietnam War, 1961-1975 -- Political aspects -- Posters
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| Peace Now        | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: flower in pot.] |
| Does He Destroy Your Way of Life? | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: Vietnamese farmer with ox.] |
| Peace            | Physical Description: 1 print |
| Against The War  | Physical Description: 1 print |
| A Home for Peace | Physical Description: 1 print |
| Big Brother is watching you so do something | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: face of U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson?] |
| Napalm: It's the Real Thing for S.E. Asia | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: soft drink bottle alluding to Coca-Cola.] |
| Stop The War     | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: skulls.] |
| “It became necessary to destroy the town to save it.” [On destruction of Ben Tre village, Vietnam.] | Physical Description: 1 print |
| Vietnamization   | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: Vietnamese children with war injuries.] |
| Kent State University May 4th, 1970 | Physical Description: 1 print |
| People’s Park    | Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: photograph of police officer pulling up newly planted tree.] |
oversize-folder B 1, item 13  
**People’s Park**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: photograph of officers amid clouds of tear gas.]

oversize-folder B 1, item 14  
**[No text. Anit-war image: no bomber planes.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder B 1, item 15  
**Speak Out Against The Madness**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: Kent State University scene.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 16  
**Fiesta Campesina. [United Farm Worker’s benefit.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 17  
**Human concern/personal torment. [Exhibition, University Art Museum, Berkeley.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 18  
**A Time to Tear Down and a Time to Rebuild**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 19  
**Money Talks. Boycott War Profiteers**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: U.S. $1 bill with portrait of George Washington gagged.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 20  
**[No text. U.S. Flag design with guns and fighter jets.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 21  
**Unity in our Love of Man**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: war refugee children.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 22  
**Unity in our Love of Man**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: war refugee children.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 23  
**Vote for Community Control of Police**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 24  
**Peace Now**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: clouds in blue sky.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 25  
**Peace Now**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: dove with olive branch.]
oversize-folder C
1, item 26  Peace Now
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: dove with olive branch.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 27  Turn It In
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: Selective Service System draft card.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 28  Americans Want Peace
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: dove and olive branches.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 29  Amerika is Devouring its Children
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: appropriation of Francisco Goya painting: Saturn Devouring His Son.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 30  “Bring Us Together.”
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: chimpanzee with open arms.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 31  Peace or Pieces
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C
1, item 32  Recycle Nixon
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C
1, item 33  …And Leave the Driving to Us
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: military tank with pig’s head and Nazi swastika emblem.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 34  “American, when will you be Angelic?…”
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: Allen Ginsberg.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 35  Amerika
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: German Luger handgun.]

oversize-folder C
1, item 36  Write for Peace
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: hand with quill pen.]
The Wages of Sin is Death. Therefore Choose Life
Physical Description: 1 print

Did you vote for this? Who did?
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: dead soldier on battlefield.]

Yes on Peace
Physical Description: 1 print

Kent State; Augusta, Georgia
Physical Description: 1 print

Fascist Infested!
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: rat with gun and American flag.]

“Bring Us Together.”
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: cemetery headstones.]

Where are you going now my love? Where will you be tomorrow?
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: bullet hole above woman’s face.]

Send them Tractors not Tanks
Physical Description: 1 print

Let’s have peace
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: child’s drawing of person holding flower.]

We Must Unite Now!
Physical Description: 1 print

Don’t be a Silent Part of the War Machine. Speak Out against Cambodia
Physical Description: 1 print

Stop Kissing Pig Ass
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: buttocks of pig with lipstick kiss imprint.]

Home Sweet Home. Bring Them Back Alive
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: cemetery crosses.]
oversize-folder C 1, item 50

Viva La Causal Nosotros Venceremos! [United Farm Workers.]
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 51

Farmworkers & Consumers Unite! Boycott Lettuce
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 52

En Salinas. United Farm Workers Organizing Committee
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 53

Scanlan’s. Impeach Nixon
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: fist punching a face. Artist: Topor.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 54

All his parents’ love and devotion did not save the life of this boy
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: scene from Kent State University conflict.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 55

Unite For Peace!! America is a democracy only as long as it represents the will of the people
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: photograph of scene from Warsaw Ghetto uprising.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 56

Viva La Revolucion
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: Emiliano Zapata.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 57

U.S. Out of S.E. Asia Now!
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 58

Military Spending. Suicide
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 59

Are your Prints on Peace? Act Now!
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: hand prints.]

oversize-folder C 1, item 60

No Nixon Agnew War
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder C 1, item 61

Alcatraz is not an Island
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 62

OUT
Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: skull.]
oversize-folder D 1, item 63  
**My Lai We Lie They Die. [Anti R.O.T.C. satire.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: nude young man wearing gas mask, with guns and grenades in place of genitals.]

oversize-folder D 1, item 64  
**Stop the Tragedy Now**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 65  
**24-hour vigil at South Vietnamese Consulate. [Against U.S. support for Nguyen Van Thieu.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: Richard M. Nixon throwing "Thieu" bowling ball.]

oversize-folder D 1, item 66  
**For Whom the Bell Tolls...**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 67  
**Sisterhood is Blooming. Springtime will never be the same. [Women's Liberation Union.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 68  
**[Hitler Quote: “The streets of our country are in turmoil...”]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 69  
**Red Lantern. [Film screening for 23rd anniversary of People’s Republic of China.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 70  
**Peace**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: nude woman motif.]

oversize-folder D 1, item 71  
**Semana International de Solidaridad con la Heroico Pueblo de Viet Nam [Vietnam]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 72  
**U.S. Government Surplus**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: Grim Reaper figure driving wagon loaded with dead bodies.]

oversize-folder D 1, item 73  
**Fiesta Campesina. [United Farm Works of America.]**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 74  
**Speak Out Against the War**  
Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 75  
**America Saves the World**  
Physical Description: 1 print  
Note  
[Image: satirical comic strip suggesting U.S. will destroy the world.]
Let there be Peace and let it begin with me

Physical Description: 1 print

Know your Enemy

Physical Description: 1 print

Note

[Image: face of Vietnamese child with war injuries.]

Unite

Physical Description: 1 print

Vietnam: Spilled Blood Split the Country

Physical Description: 1 print

White Peace is Bullshit. End all your wars

Physical Description: 1 print

To All Oppressed People of the World: Unity is the Solution. From the prisoners of Attica State Prison

Physical Description: 1 print

Asia for Asians!!

Physical Description: 1 print

Note

[Image: Near Eastern man (?) in traditional attire, flipping middle finger.]

Hunger is Violence

Physical Description: 1 print

Note

[Image: starving child.]

Unite Against the War

Physical Description: 1 print


Physical Description: 1 print

2 of your sisters are being raped. What kind of brother are you?

Physical Description: 1 print

Note

[Image: U.S. soldiers raping women personifying nations of Vietnam and Cambodia.]

Bank of Amerika. Trust and National Saving Association, Isle Vista Branch

Physical Description: 1 print

Note

[Design: bank check superimposed over photograph of riot during which Bank of America was burned.]
oversize-folder D 1, item 88

Stop War

Physical Description: 1 print
Note
[Image: bleeding STOP sign.]

oversize-folder D 1, item 89

Stop War

Physical Description: 1 print

oversize-folder D 1, item 90

[No text. Image: Adolf Hitler holding mask of Richard M. Nixon.]

Physical Description: 1 print