Finding Aid to the Graphic Albums Collection Coll2008.046

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**Contributing Institution:** ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives, USC Libraries, University of Southern California

**Title:** Graphic albums collection

**Identifier/Call Number:** Coll2008.046

**Physical Description:** 9.2 Linear Feet5 archive boxes + 3 archive binder boxes + 1 archive carton + 1 archive flat box

**Date (inclusive):** circa 1950s-1980s

**Abstract:** A collection of collage and scrapbook albums by unidentified individuals, circa 1950s-1980s. The contents primarily consist of clippings and photographs either in a scrapbook or collage album, but may also include drawings in pencil or pen, prose, poetry, watercolors, and repurposed books, periodicals, and greeting cards.

**Biography**
A collection of collage and scrapbook albums by unidentified individuals, circa 1950s-1980s.

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Date and method of acquisition unknown.

**Preferred Citation**
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**Processing Information**
The collection was processed by Michael C. Oliveira, 2008. Additional materials processed by Kyle Morgan, 2014.

**Scope and Contents**
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**Arrangement**
This collection is arranged into three sections:

- Erotic photocollage albums, unidentified artist 1
- Erotic photocollage albums, unidentified artist 2
- Graphic albums, miscellaneous

**Subjects and Indexing Terms**

- Altered books
- Gay erotic art
- Photocollage
- Scrapbooks
- Women and erotica

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**Erotic photocollage albums, unidentified artist 1 circa 1977-1984**

**Physical Description:** [fourteen 9 x 10.75-inch scrapbooks]

**Scope and Contents**
Scrapbook collages from the late 1970s through the mid 1980s. The majority of collages consist of one or more erotic images superimposed on a fine-art print, advertisement, or photographic spread from art, architectural, and decorating magazines such as *Art in America, Architectural Digest,* and *Home and Garden*.

**Box 1**

**1-3 circa 1977-1984**
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**Erotic photocollage albums, unidentified artist 1 circa 1977-1984**

- **Physical Description:** [five 8.5 x 11-inch three-ring scrapbooks]
- **Scope and Contents:** Scrapbook collages with clippings of text and images, primarily from advertisements in non-LGBT periodicals, superimposed on erotic images. Includes photographs, clippings, comics, and original drawings and writings. The collages feature gay male erotic imagery, but also portray bisexual and heterosexual erotica.

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**Graphic albums, miscellaneous circa 1950s-1980s**

- **Scope and Contents:** Miscellaneous scrapbook albums of gay male erotic images, 1950s-1980s. Includes altered books and periodicals as well as collages.

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| Homosexuals Today 1956 1950s | Black and white erotic male images, circa 1950s, taped inside an edition of Marvin Cutler's *Homosexuals Today 1956*.

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| Phallus add-on album 1950s-1960s | Black-and-white erotic male images, circa 1950s-1960s, with phalluses sketched in pen or pencil.

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| Greyhuff 1960s | Black and white erotic male photographs, circa late 1960s, taped inside *Greyhuff*, no.4, DSI Sales, 1967.