Finding Aid to the Gregory M. Vogel Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale Collection 
1984-1986GLC 193

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Abstract: The collection contains programs and publicity materials for, and audiorecordings of the Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale, a San-Francisco based organization. It also includes some materials on other LGBT choruses and associations.
Collection is stored onsite.
Language of Materials: Collection materials are in English.
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Provenance
Donated by Gregory M. Vogel, March 12, 2014
Biographical / Historical
Dick Kramer was the conductor for the San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus from 1978-1982. He started the Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale (DKGMC) in 1982 and was its conductor until 1988. DKGMC was a founding member of the GALA Choruses (Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses) in 1983. The group reorganized into the Golden Gate Men's Chorus in 1988. Greg Vogel handled public relations for the chorale in the mid-1980s.
Scope and Contents
The collection contains programs, flyers, photographs, newspaper clippings, and other publicity materials for the Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale, a San-Francisco based organization. It also includes audiorecordings of four concerts. In addition there are some materials on other LGBT choruses and associations.
Arrangement
The collection is arranged by format into two series: Series 1. Documents and Photographs; and, Series 2. Audiorecordings. Series 1 is subdivided into a section for The Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale material (organized chronologically), and material about other choruses.
Subjects and Indexing Terms
Choruses (Men's voices)
Gay men -- California -- San Francisco -- Songs and music
Vogel, Gregory M.
Kramer, Dick
Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale

Series 1 Documents and Photographs, 1984-1986
Subseries 1A The Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale

box 1, folder 1  Program: "Beau Soire" an evening of mostly French choral music, September [1984]
"A Ceremony of Carols" and "The Burning Fiery Furnace" by Benjamin Britten
Programs, advertising, press, October 1984-1986
Publicity photos (prints, negatives, contact sheets): Ken Navran, photographer.
Pictured: Dick Kramer, Gregg Tallman, John Rouse, Gregory de Silva, Glenn Visgitus, Keith Hope, Randy Kikukawa, 1984

box 1, folder 2  "A Jubilant Song." Correspondence (Paul Ransome, Dan Dean), press releases,
publicity photos by Rink, also publicity clips. Includes newspaper clippings
regarding the lawsuit with the Archdiocese of San Francisco and its settlement,
March-April 1985

box 1, folder 3  Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale newsletter no. 6, May 7, 1985

box 1, folder 4  "Made in America" public relations: press release, photos, flyers, newspaper
clippings, August 1985

box 1, folder 5  Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale schedules (October-December 1985), October 8,
1985

box 1, folder 6  "An Old-Fashioned Christmas" publicity, photos by Carl Lawrence, Rink, December
1985

box 1, folder 7  "Sound the Trumpet: a concert for chorus and brass" flyer, November 1986

Subseries 1B Other choruses

box 1, folder 12  Program: San Francisco Lesbian Chorus Celebrates Gay Pride with "Over Our
Heads" Comedy Improvisation Group, Karen Ripley as M.C., Leslie Hassberg,
Conductor, June 21, 1986

box 1, folder 13  San Francisco Gay Men's Chorus programs: "Pops Into Spring" and "Presenting the
Classics." Includes flyer for Golden Gate Chorale Foundation, 1986

box 1, folder 14  GALA Choruses [Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses] programs and public
relations: "Now Sing With Hearts Aglow" and "A Little Guts & Lots of Glitter"
Travel to National Festival", 1986

oversize-folder 1  Poster: "The First Bay Area Gay Choralfest: A Celebration of Men's Voices with
Music By Shostakovich, Barber, Eubie Blake, Schubert, and Others." Dick Kramer
Gay Men's Chorale. Temescal Gay Men's Chorus. Liedermann of San Jose, April
19-20, [1986]

Physical Description: 2 oversize items

oversize-folder 2  GALA Choruses [Gay and Lesbian Association of Choruses] public relations
[newspaper clippings], July-August 1986

Series 2 Audiocassette Tapes 1985-1986

Physical Description: 4 audiotapes

The Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale presents: "A Jubilant Song", March 21, 1985

General

Music by Schubert, Purcell, Shostakovich, Gershwin, Dello Joio, Rautivaara, and Levy.
Dolby B stereo. C90. Produced by Verdier Ventures.
The Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale presents: "A Ceremony of Carols" by Benjamin Britten (Tape 1A C60), and, "The Burning Fiery Furnace" by Benjamin Britten, Part 1 (Tape 1B C60), December 5, 1985

General
Dolby B stereo. Produced by Verdier Ventures.

"Bay Area Gay Choralfest." The Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale; the Temescal Gay Men's Chorus Ensemble; Liedermann Gay Men's Chorus, April 19, 1986

General
Dolby B stereo. C90. Produced by Verdier Ventures. Front cover reads: "Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale. First Bay Area Gay Choralfest. With The Temescal Gay Men's Chorus And Liedermann of San Jose."

The Dick Kramer Gay Men's Chorale presents: "Sound the Trumpet!", November 22, 1986

General