Noble Beast Productions records

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Noble Beast Productions records  
**Dates:** 1996-2000  
**Collection Number:** 2002-07  
**Creator/Collector:** Don Spradlin  
**Extent:** 7.3 linear feet  
**Repository:** GLBT Historical Society  
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**Abstract:** This collection contains the records of Noble Beast Productions, a nonprofit, volunteer-run organization that produced events to fundraise for worthy causes in the Bay Area and to "celebrate and participate in the great renaissance of hope and vitality in San Francisco's gay community." Don Spradlin, who also created the successful "HellBall" Halloween celebration, founded Noble Beast.

**Language of Material:** English

**Access**  
Collection is open for research. Mailing lists and other records holding the names, addresses, and/or phone numbers of individuals will be restricted for 20 years.

**Preferred Citation**  
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**Acquisition Information**  
Gift of Don Spradlin on October 31, 2001.

**Scope and Content of Collection**  
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**Indexing Terms**  
Nightlife  
Dance