Outcasts records

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Outcasts records
Dates: 1984-1998
Collection Number: 2003-36
Creator/Collector: Outcasts
Extent: 2 cartons, 1 box, 1 oversize box (3.1 linear feet)
Repository: GLBT Historical Society
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Abstract: This collection contains the official records of the Outcasts, a social and educational organization for women interested in S/M with other women that was founded in San Francisco in 1984. These records document the history of the organization and its accomplishments. The collection includes administrative records; board materials; financial records; correspondence; membership materials; materials related to Outcasts events and other activities in the leather and S/M communities; materials related to internal and external disputes; newsletters; and materials from other organizations.

Language of Material: English

Access

The collection is open for research with the following restrictions. Researchers may not publish or publicly disclose names or identifying information about individuals for 30 years from the date of donation, unless those individuals have already themselves disclosed, in print or a public forum, their association with these organizations, or unless they are deceased. Orientation, membership and door lists are restricted. All these restrictions will expire on July 19, 2033. Funding for processing this collection was provided by the National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC).

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Acquisition Information
Gift of Gayle Rubin, on behalf of the Outcasts, in July 2003.

Scope and Content of Collection

This collection contains the official records of the Outcasts, a social and educational organization for women interested in S/M with other women that was founded in San Francisco in 1984. These records document the history of the organization and its accomplishments. Outcasts was formed as a successor organization to Samois and lasted until 1997, when it turned over virtually all its structural elements to a successor organization, the Exiles. These records of the organization were kept by Gayle Rubin, the Outcasts official archivist and founding coordinator. The collection includes administrative records, ranging from the statement of purpose to the dissolution of the organization; board materials; financial records; correspondence; membership materials, including invitations and orientation requests; materials related to Outcasts events and other activities in the leather and S/M communities; materials related to internal disputes, and conflicts and issues of significance in the larger community; newsletters; and materials from other organizations.

Indexing Terms
Leather
Lesbians
Kink

Container List for the Outcasts Records