Descriptive Summary

Title: Ernest Posey notebooks
Dates: 1968-2007
Collection Number: 2012-10
Creator/Collector: Posey, Ernest
Extent: 1.9 linear feet (1 carton, 1 box)
Repository: GLBT Historical Society
San Francisco, California 94103
Abstract: The Ernest Posey Notebooks contains twenty-four notebooks created by artist Ernest Posey from 1968 to 2007. The notebooks include artwork, ephemera, and writings, and shed light into Ernest's artistic mind and career.

Language of Material: English

Access
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Acquisition Information
Collection was donated to the Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society by Trebor Healey, Executor of the Estate of Ernest Posey, October 19, 2012.

Biography/Administrative History
Ernest Noel Posey was born in New Orleans on December 25, 1937. He earned a degree in Fine Arts from Louisiana State University and a degree in Architecture from Tulane. He lived in New York City after college and remained there until 1968, when he moved to San Francisco. Posey taught at the California College of Art and the San Francisco Academy of Art University where he was Chairman of the Department of Fine Art. Posey was also a filmmaker, public television director, author, graphic designer and book illustrator. Posey moved to Mendocino County, bought a small cabin and later built a large working studio. He moved there permanently in the late 1970s and worked on his art for the next thirty years. In the fall of 2007 he was diagnosed with a brain tumor and passed away two months later.

Scope and Content of Collection
Ernest Posey's notebooks include mockups of artwork he created, collected ephemera, diary entries, dream descriptions, and other writings and sketches. They are valuable in understanding Mr. Posey's artistic vision and process. The notebooks are arranged in chronological order, from 1968 to 2007.

Indexing Terms
Gay artists

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