Cuir Underground records

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Descriptive Summary
Title: Cuir Underground records
Dates: 1993-1997
Collection Number: 1999-25
Creator/Collector:
Extent: 1 linear foot (3 boxes)
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Abstract: This collection includes records of the former pansexual newspaper "Cuir Underground," which covered the queer erotic scene in the Bay Area from 1994 to 1998. It contains administrative records; correspondence; materials related to magazine production, distribution and publicity; materials related to Venus Infers and Black Mass; and articles and ephemera collected by the staff.
Language of Material: English
Access
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Acquisition Information
Biography/Administrative History
According to their "Mission Statement/Plan," Cuir Underground was a free, monthly, pansexual leather calendar and newspaper. Its primary purpose was to unite and inform the varieties of SM communities in the greater Bay Area; its secondary purpose was to make money and support perverts doing pervert-related work. The paper debuted at the Folsom Street Fair in September of 1994. It covered the pansexual erotic scene in the Bay Area from 1994-1998. As used by the paper, "pansexual" was a term that embraced a wide range of transgressive sexualities and gender arrangements, including people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, leather, practitioners of SM and other kinkiness of all sorts.
Scope and Content of Collection
This collection includes records of the former pansexual newspaper "Cuir Underground," which covered the queer erotic scene in the Bay Area from 1994 to 1998. Pansexual, as used in "Cuir Underground," is a term that signifies an embracing of a wide range of transgressive sexualities and gender arrangements, including people who identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered, leather, practitioners of SM and other kinkiness of all sorts. The collection includes administrative records; correspondence; materials related to magazine production, distribution and publicity; materials related to Venus Infers and Black Mass; and articles and ephemera collected by the staff. There are also photocopies of photo art and erotic illustrations and comics.
Indexing Terms
Leather
Cuir Underground Container List