

Guide to the Bert Hansen Papers

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Collection Overview

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SUMMARY: The papers document the work and research interests of academic and activist Bert Hansen. The original accession is divided into three categories, AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) records, newspaper clippings, and subject files, followed by three subsequent accessions consisting of subject files and additional files. The AIDS Committee of Toronto records consist of administrative files related to operations of the group, board and committee related minutes, agendas, and correspondence, and printed ephemera. These files date from 1983 to 1984. Newspaper and magazine clippings are generally focused on the AIDS epidemic in Canada and the United States, starting from the early period of the epidemic in 1982 until 1996. Some of the aspects of the epidemic that these clippings document include activism in the gay and lesbian community, medical research, human interest stories about people living with AIDS, and discrimination against people with AIDS. There are also a small number of clippings on other topics, such as discrimination within and towards the gay community, visibility of gay men and lesbians in media and history, and anti-pornography activism. The bulk of these date from 1980 to 1984. Subject files date from 1838 to 1996, though the bulk of the materials date from 1970-1996. They consist of materials pertaining to Bert Hansen's research on lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) activism, medical history and academia, and the intersection of both fields. Topics covered in the subject files include the history of the gay rights movement, sociology and sexuality, and portrayals of the gay and lesbian community in the media. Additionally, these subject files contain testimonials of and clippings documenting discrimination against members of the gay and lesbian community. Two additions consist of files on Hansen's life, work, and research interests, particularly his research on women in medicine; biology and sexual orientation; medical history in advertising; gay and feminist culture and history; and the history of AIDS. One of the additions also documents his work with an academic center at the City University of New York (CUNY) and contains his personal medical files.

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- b. box
 - f. folder
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Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Gift of Bert Hansen, 2015, 2018, 2019, and 2020.

Conditions Governing Access

The materials are open for research.

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Preferred Citation

Bert Hansen Papers (MS 2042). Manuscripts and Archives, Yale University Library.

Separated Materials

Lesbians Rising: Lesbian Feminist Newspaper, has been separated from this collection and added to the Queer Zines, Magazines, and Newspapers Collection (MS 1847).

Biographical / Historical

Bert Hansen

Bert Hansen was born on February 5, 1944 in Chicago, Illinois. He received his bachelor's degree in chemistry from Columbia College in 1965 and earned his doctorate in the history of science from Princeton University in 1974. Hansen received a Mellon Fellowship at Harvard University in 1978 and taught medical history courses there until 1979. His academic work focuses on the history of medicine and the history of science, such as the relationship of magic and science in the Middle Ages and the medicalization of homosexuality. Hansen held academic appointments in multiple institutions including Binghamton, State University of New York, the University of Toronto, New York University, and Baruch College, City University of New York. In 1973, Hansen and several other colleagues founded the Gay Academic Union, an organization which brought together gay and lesbian and allied academics across the country. He was also a founding member of the AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) and served as their first chair in 1983. Hansen worked with ACT from 1983 to 1984 and returned to the United States in 1985.

Hansen's publications include a 2009 book entitled *Picturing Medical Progress from Pasteur to Polio: A History of Mass Media Images and Popular Attitudes in America* and his doctoral dissertation: *Nicole Oresme and the Marvels of Nature: A Study of His De Causis Mirabilium*. In 2015, Hansen retired from Baruch College. He continues to present at academic conferences across the country, and his current research projects include the American Pasteur Institutes, nineteenth century homosexuality in New York City, and gay and lesbian scientists.

AIDS Committee of Toronto

The AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) was founded in 1983. The first Canadian organization of its kind, the ACT has its roots in a public health forum on AIDS and Hepatitis B held on April 5, 1983 at the Hassle Free Clinic in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. Some of the people who participated decided to form an "ongoing AIDS committee." On July 19, 1983 the Toronto AIDS Committee held their first press conference to announce their organization and their work. They changed their name to the AIDS Committee of Toronto soon after. Their services have two major focuses: supporting people living with HIV and AIDS, and educating the community at large in Toronto on HIV and AIDS, especially the lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) community. ACT projects that support people living with HIV and AIDS include counseling, social events, meals, support groups, and programs that provide job training and placement. Educational programming includes substance abuse counselling, community health forums, and outreach activities at bars, night clubs, festivals, bath houses, and online.

Scope and Contents

The papers document the work and research interests of academic and activist Bert Hansen. The original accession of material is divided into three categories: Hansen correspondence with Susan Chambré, AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) records, and newspaper clippings. There are also three additional accessions: one consisting of subject files, and two consisting of additional files.

The AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) records consist of administrative files related to operations of the group, board and committee-related minutes, agendas, and correspondence, and printed ephemera. The ACT records include source materials from different advocacy groups and reports on the Gay Men's Health Crisis's model of activism and work with AIDS patients. These materials mainly date from 1983 to 1984, the length of Hansen's involvement with ACT.

Newspaper and magazine clippings are generally focused on the AIDS epidemic in Canada and the United States, starting from the early period of the epidemic in 1982 until 1996. Some of the aspects of the epidemic that these clippings document include activism in the gay and lesbian community, medical research, human interest stories about people living with AIDS, and discrimination against AIDS patients. There are also a small number of clippings on other topics, such as discrimination within and towards the gay community, visibility of gay men and lesbians in media and history, and anti-pornography activism. The bulk of these date from 1980 to 1984.

Subject files, dated from 1838 to 1996, bulk 1970-1996, consists of materials pertaining to Bert Hansen's research on lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) activism, medical history and academia, and the intersection of both fields. It includes magazines, news clippings, annotated research papers, conference

schedules, correspondence, academic journals, and informational pamphlets. Topics covered in the subject files include the history of the gay rights movement, sociology and sexuality, and portrayals of the gay community in the media. Additionally, these subject files contain personal testimonials of and news clippings documenting discrimination against members of the gay and lesbian community.

Additional material includes two accessions. Series Accession 2020-M-0012, dated from 1955 to 2019, documents Bert Hansen's work and research interests, particularly his research on women in medicine, biology and sexual orientation, and medical history in advertising; his work with an academic center at the City University of New York (CUNY); and his compilation of organizational newsletters and publications pertaining to gay and feminist culture and history. The accession also includes Hansen's personal medical files from 1994 through 2015.

Series Accession 2021-M-0011, dating from 1978 to 1996, contains files relating to the history of AIDS, records of Hansen's research for an exhibition called "Epidemics in New York City History," held at the Museum of the City of New York, and two videocassette recordings of an interview with Bert Hansen held on The Morning Show in Binghamton, New York.

Arrangement

The original accession material is arranged under the following headings: Hansen correspondence with Susan Chambré, AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) files, and Newspaper clippings. There is one accession consisting of subject files, and two accessions of additional files.

Collection Contents

Accession 2016-M-0023: Original accession

b. 1, f. 1	Hansen correspondence with Susan Chambré This file contains correspondence between Hansen and academic Susan Chambré about the contents of this collection.	February 1998
AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) files		
b. 1, f. 2	ACT Activities Bulletins	1983–1984
Administrative		
b. 1, f. 3-6	General	1983–1984
b. 1, f. 7	Bruner, lease and hiring	Circa 1983-circa 1984
b. 1, f. 8	Fundraising	1983–1984
b. 1, f. 9	Introduction to ACT	1983
b. 1, f. 10	Office staff	1983
b. 1, f. 11	Personnel	1983–1984
b. 1, f. 12	Press kit	1983
Board and committee files		
b. 1, f. 13	General	1981–1984
b. 1, f. 14	Education committee	1983
b. 1, f. 15-16	Executive committee	1983–1984
b. 2, f. 1	Medical liaison committee	1983
b. 2, f. 2	Staff liaison committee	1983
Printed materials		
b. 2, f. 3	General	1981–1985
b. 2, f. 4	Brochures	1983
Subject files		
b. 2, f. 5-7	AIDS	1982–1984
b. 2, f. 8	AIDS seminar information kit	1983
b. 2, f. 9	Board of Health	1983

AIDS Committee of Toronto (ACT) files > Subject files (continued)

b. 2, f. 10	Gay Men's Health Crisis (GMHC) crisis intervention handbook A copy of this material is available in digital form from Manuscripts and Archives. Contact Manuscripts and Archives at beinecke.library@yale.edu to request access to the digital copy.	June 1983
b. 3, f. 1	Hepatitis B vaccine	1982-1983
b. 3, f. 2	Mole walk-a-thon	1983-1989
b. 3, f. 3	Red Cross	1983
b. 3, f. 4	Reportability	1983
b. 3, f. 5	The Theater Project	1983
b. 3, f. 6	Writings, AIDS and cholera talk	February 13, 1984
Newspaper clippings		
b. 3, f. 7-11b. 4, f. 1-6b. 5, f. 1-10	AIDS	1982-1996
b. 6, f. 1	Anti-pornography activism	Circa 1980-1984
b. 6, f. 2	Discrimination against the gay community	1981-1983
b. 6, f. 3	Discrimination within the gay community	1981
b. 6, f. 4	Humorous comics	1983
b. 6, f. 5	Sadomasochism in the gay community	1981
b. 6, f. 6	Sexual relationships with the underage	1981-1983
b. 6, f. 7	Visibility of gay men and lesbians in media and history	1981-1983
b. 6, f. 8	Written accounts of gay men and lesbians' lives	1981-1984

Accession 2018-M-0032: Subject files, 1838-1996, 1970-1996

This accession contains Bert Hansen's subject files on various topics related to his research on the LGBT community. The bulk of the materials date from 1970 to 1996. They include magazines, news clippings, annotated research papers, conference schedules, and informational pamphlets. Lesbian, gay, bisexual, and transgender (LGBT) organizations represented include the Lesbian Herstory Archives, the Committee on Lesbian and Gay History of the American Historical Association (CLGH-AHA), the National Gay Task Force (NGTF), and Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE). Many of the subject files also contain materials related to various medical and academic organizations, including *The Journal of Psychology*, as well as the Sex Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS). Others focus on the intersection between both communities; examples of these organizations include the Gay Academic Union and the Center for Homosexual Education, Evaluation, and Research (CHEER).

Several folders contain substantive correspondence which helps track the growth and development of Hansen's research on the LGBT community. Notable materials in this accession include nine of the earliest issues of RFD, the publication of the *Radical Faeries*, booklets and pamphlets celebrating gay pride events in New York City, and news clippings and letters written to Hansen by members of the LGBT community which detail acts of discrimination such as raids on gay night clubs, questionable arrests, and personal testimonials of harassment. This series also includes a pin from the Christopher Street Festival Committee, the festival celebrating LGBT activism and the gay pride movement in New York City. The earliest item in the collection is an affectionate 1838 letter written by Homer Sears of Ashford, Connecticut, to his colleague, Master Franklin, in Springfield, Massachusetts. Hansen's accompanying notes and correspondence within the file speculate as to the nature of the relationship between the two men.

Subject files under this heading are arranged alphabetically by subject. General news clippings are filed first, with specific subject files organized alphabetically immediately following.

b. 1, f. 1-10	<p>General</p> <p>Folder one contains a letter from the group "Gays Against the Movie Cruising" expressing their disdain for the portrayal of gay characters, which "perpetuates all the oppressive stereotypes against gay men, and firmly links homosexuality with violence and death." It also contains a letter to Bert Hansen from a colleague discussing dropout rates among gay students and the initiative to set up scholarships on behalf of these students.</p> <p>Folder two contains a 1974 letter from Bert Hansen to the editor of <i>The Village Voice</i>, which failed to report on a gay pride march in New York City. Hansen called the lack of coverage "offensive and revealing of a deep anti-gay bias."</p> <p>Folder seven contains correspondence between Bert Hansen and Guillaume Marche, discussing interviews for a research project on the sociology of gay identity and the gay movement in the age of AIDS, comparing San Francisco and New York City.</p>	Circa 1970-circa 1996
b. 1, f. 11	AIDS and bath houses	Circa 1984
b. 2, f. 1	<p>American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) and the "gay revolution"</p> <p>Contains correspondence regarding the AAAS planning to conduct research on the hormonal status of the LGBT community, and about discriminatory hiring practices and homophobia within the larger scientific community.</p>	Circa 1974-circa 1981
b. 2, f. 2	"Among Women, Among Men" conference in Amsterdam English	1983

b. 2, f. 3	Bathing and sex, correspondence, clippings, and research notes	Circa 1990
b. 2, f. 4	"Blue Collar Buddies" English	1985
b. 2, f. 5	The "boy love" debate	Circa 1982-circa 1984
b. 2, f. 6	Canadian AIDS Society Royal Commission	1994
b. 2, f. 7	Canadian Gay Archives, <i>Gay Archivist</i> , newsletter	1977-1981
b. 2, f. 8	Canuck, Jack	Circa 1911
b. 2, f. 9	Center for Homosexual Education, Evaluation, and Research (CHEER) Contains letters regarding a proposal for a records program, created by CHEER's Archive of Homosexuality, to survey archival materials related to gay life and history and to gather these materials in centralized locations such as New York City, San Francisco, and Los Angeles.	1978
b. 2, f. 10	"Charles Ives and his America" annotated English	1975
b. 2, f. 11	Christianity and homosexuality	Circa 1981
b. 2, f. 12	Christopher Street Festival Committee for Gay Pride in New York City pin, "Expose, Replace, Take Back the Day"	undated
b. 2, f. 13	Coalition for Gay Rights in Ontario, research notes	Circa 1974
b. 2, f. 14	The Committee on Lesbian and Gay History of the American Historical Association (CLGH-AHA)	1974
b. 2, f. 15	"Constructing a History of Power and Sexuality" annotated conference papers and correspondence, New York University English Contains correspondence about the success of the conference and the continued professional relationships among presenters and attendees.	1978
b. 2, f. 16	Disabilities and the gay community	Circa 1982-circa 1983
b. 2, f. 17	Early gay liberation leaders	1972
b. 2, f. 18	"Fag Rag," history English	Circa 1991
b. 2, f. 19	The Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and gay surveillance	Circa 1979-circa 1987
b. 2, f. 20	The Gay Academic Union (GAU), annotated newsletters and conference programs	1976-1979
b. 3, f. 1-2	Gay bibliographies	Circa 1969-circa 1980
b. 3, f. 3	Gay community, current issues	Circa 1977-circa 1978

b. 3, f. 4-5	<i>Gay Community News</i> English	1982, 1995-1996
b. 3, f. 6	<i>Gay Community News</i> book reviews English	1983
b. 3, f. 7	<i>Gay Community News</i> , the first ten years English	1983
b. 3, f. 8	<i>Gay Comix</i> , issue 1 English	1980 September
b. 3, f. 9	Gay health	1979
b. 3, f. 10-12	Gay history Folders contain letters from Hansen to fellow academics discussing their research on aspects of gay and lesbian history. Folder twelve includes a letter from Hansen to Artemis March in 1979 regarding her research on Renaissance lesbianism and its similarities to Hansen's own research in medieval and Renaissance science.	Circa 1930, 1969-1980
b. 4, f. 1-3	Gay history Folders contain letters from Hansen to fellow academics discussing their research on aspects of gay and lesbian history. Folder one includes correspondence between Hansen and Rictor Norton, contributing editor to the <i>Gay News</i> , about edits and omissions to an article published by the <i>Advocate</i> and how it perpetuated legal bias against marginalized groups, including the LGBT community and women.	Circa 1979-circa 1983
b. 4, f. 4	Gay history, Boston	1984
b. 4, f. 5	Gay history, eighteenth century	1981
b. 4, f. 6	Gay history, meeting notes, articles, and correspondence Contains correspondence, which includes transcriptions, of original manuscript sources utilized by researchers for their publications on differing aspects of gay history, specifically, in the early twentieth century and during the medieval period.	1978-1979
b. 4, f. 7-8	Gay history, social and medical Folder seven contains a letter from Hansen to K.F. Huck, in which Hansen asks for more information on an article Huck's father wrote concerning lesbian marriage during the 1940s in the United States.	Circa 1984
b. 4, f. 9	Gay history, United States after 1910	Circa 1982-circa 1990
b. 4, f. 10	Gay history, United States, 1940s and 1950s, newspaper articles	Circa 1983-circa 1984
b. 4, f. 11	Gay language	1983
b. 4, f. 12	The "gay left" materials	Circa 1976-circa 1987
b. 4, f. 13	The Gay Library and Archive Center Contains a letter from Hansen to Howard Brown regarding the prospectus for the Gay Library and Archive Center. He discusses issues such as funding, collection management, and the development of an executive council.	Circa 1974-circa 1977

b. 4, f. 14-15	Gay movements	1952, 1983
b. 4, f. 16	Gay occult in the nineteenth century	1977-1981
b. 4, f. 17	Gay organizations, management struggles	Circa 1988-circa 1993
b. 4, f. 18	Gay, Peter, reviews	1984
b. 4, f. 19	Gay pride booklets	1974
b. 5, f. 1	Gay scandals in the media, correspondence and testimonials Hansen published "Assistance, Please," a call for evidence of discrimination against the gay community, in issue number 246 of the <i>Advocate</i> dated July 26, 1978, as well as a follow-up article on September 20 of the same year. This folder contains news clippings sent to Hansen which document such instances. It also includes letters sent to Hansen by readers recounting their stories as victims of oppression and discriminatory practices, such as raids on gay night clubs, questionable arrests, and harassment in the workplace.	Circa 1978-circa 1980
b. 5, f. 2-4	Gays in the media, clippings Folder two contains a letter from Hansen to the editors of <i>Family Circle</i> about an article published in 1974 titled "My Daughter is Different," which positively portrayed the family's experience as "humane, thought-provoking, and relevant." Folder three contains two copies of <i>Awake!</i> , a magazine created by Jehovah's Witnesses via the Watchtower Bible and Tract Society, published on June 8, 1976, which contained an investigative article entitled "Looking into the World of the Homosexual."	Circa 1971-circa 1992
b. 5, f. 5	Gays in the Third Reich, annotated clippings	Circa 1981
b. 5, f. 6	Gernreich, Rudi (1923(?)-1985) and fashion	1985
b. 5, f. 7	Hirschfeld, Magnus	1979-1980
b. 5, f. 8	"Homosexualities" reviews English	Circa 1974-circa 1978
b. 5, f. 9	"Homosexuality: A Select Bibliography" English	1970
b. 5, f. 10	Homosexuality, history, and evolution	1975
b. 5, f. 11	Human sexuality, annotated articles	1940-1980
b. 5, f. 12	Ives, George, news clippings	Circa 1980
b. 5, f. 13	Kepner, Jim	1953-1996
b. 5, f. 14	Kiwanis Club, Endicott College	Circa 1977
b. 5, f. 15	Lesbian and gay history projects, New York City, Boston, Los Angeles, and Chicago	1989-1990
b. 6, f. 1	The Lesbian and Gay History Project, research notes and correspondence Contains correspondence regarding the development of the historical project, including letters discussing collection management and the acquisition of relevant materials from repositories around the United States.	Circa 1970-circa 1981

b. 6, f. 2	Lesbian Herstory Archives, Radclyffe Hall	1994
b. 6, f. 3	Lesbian history at the State University of New York (SUNY) at Buffalo, letter to Liz Kennedy	1981
b. 6, f. 4	The lesbian movement, "Is the Spirit Willing?" annotated article	1983
b. 6, f. 5	Lesbianism, Renaissance, annotated articles	Circa 1970-circa 1981
b. 6, f. 6	Lesbians and sadomasochism	Circa 1982-circa 1983
b. 6, f. 7	Marxism and gay liberation	1984
b. 6, f. 8	Marxism, study group notes	Circa 1974
b. 6, f. 9	The NAMES Project AIDS memorial quilt	Circa 1988-circa 1996
b. 6, f. 10-11	National Gay Task Force	Circa 1974-circa 1976
b. 6, f. 12	"A Note on an Overlooked Word-Play in the Akkadian Gilgamesh" annotated article English	1983
b. 6, f. 13	"Radical Historians" newsletters English	1982-1984
b. 6, f. 14-17	<i>RFD</i> magazine, Radical Faeries movement English	1975 Spring-1978 Fall
b. 6, f. 18	Rule, Jane, news articles	1984
b. 6, f. 19	Sarton, May	1983
b. 6, f. 20	Sears, Homer, letter to Master Franklin with transcription and correspondence	1838-1992
b. 6, f. 21	Senior Action in a Gay Environment (SAGE) and aging	Circa 1983
b. 6, f. 22	Sex Information and Education Council of the United States (SIECUS), literature and mailings	1973-1974
b. 6, f. 23	Sexism in contemporary society	1989
b. 6, f. 24	Shilts, Randy	Circa 1987
b. 7, f. 1-2	Sociobiology and homosexuality	Circa 1970-circa 1985
b. 7, f. 3	Sociology and the politics of the social scene	Circa 1975-circa 1979
b. 7, f. 4	Survey of counseling centers by the State University of New York (SUNY) at Albany	1982
b. 7, f. 5	Venereal diseases in the military, pamphlets	1982-1983

Accession 2020-M-0012: Additional material, 1955–2019

This accession documents the work and research interests of Bert Hansen, particularly his research on women in medicine, biology and sexual orientation, and medical history in advertising; his work with an academic center at the City University of New York (CUNY); and his compilation of organizational newsletters and publications pertaining to gay and feminist culture and history. The accession also includes Hansen's personal medical files from 1994 through 2015.

The material is arranged under six headings: Academic centers; Organizational newsletters and publications; Seminars and events; Research files; Writings; and Personal medical files.

Academic centers

Materials in this grouping document the establishment of City University of New York's (CUNY) Gay Studies center and include some parallel documents for Yale University's center. These documents date from 1973 to 2003, with the bulk of them dating from the late 1980's to the early 1990's.

City University of New York

b. 1, f. 1-2	Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies	1987-1997
b. 1, f. 3	Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies after resigning	1990-1991
b. 1, f. 4-5	Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies, Graduate School and University Center	1984-1995
b. 1, f. 6	Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies newsletters	1988-2003
b. 1, f. 7	Center for Lesbian and Gay Studies seminar	1988-1993
b. 1, f. 8	Jim Weinrich	1973-1979
b. 1, f. 9	October 14 meeting	1987-1989
b. 2, f. 1	Prospectus	1989
b. 2, f. 2	Gay Studies centers: City University of New York, Yale University	1989-1996

Organizational newsletters and publications

Materials in this grouping contain newsletters and other documents produced by gay and lesbian archives and similar institutions, which were beginning to form in the late 1970s. The grouping also contains a variety of published materials, including scandal magazines from the 1950s, newspaper clippings, booklets and magazine issues pertaining to LGBT and feminist issues, and a collection of ephemeral items generated by the mid-1980s debate on feminism and pornography.

Organizational newsletters

Materials within this grouping are arranged alphabetically by organization name.

b. 2, f. 3	Archives gaies du Québec, "L'Archigai: Bulletin des Archives gaies du Québec"	1995
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Organizational newsletters and publications > Organizational newsletters (continued)

b. 2, f. 4	Canadian Lesbian and Gay Archives, "Gay Archivist: Newsletter of the Canadian Gay Archives" This file includes three non-newsletter publications by the Canadian Lesbian and Gay Archives: <i>Organizing and Archiving: The Canadian Gay Archives Experience</i> (1983), <i>Homosexuality in Canada: A Bibliography</i> (1979), and <i>Lesbian Periodical Holdings in the Canadian Gay Archives</i> (1981).	1979–2004
b. 2, f. 5	The Canadian Lesbian and Gay Network, "Canadian Lesbian and Gay History Network Newsletter"	1985–1990
b. 2, f. 6–7	The Committee on Lesbian and Gay History (allied organization of the American Historical Association), "Committee on Lesbian and Gay History Newsletter"	1982–2012
b. 3, f. 1–2	The Committee on Lesbian and Gay History (allied organization of the American Historical Association), "Committee on Lesbian and Gay History Newsletter"	1982–2012
b. 3, f. 3–5	The Gay Caucus for the Modern Languages (allied organization of the Modern Language Association), "Lesbian and Gay Studies Newsletter"	1981–1994
b. 4, f. 1	The Gay Caucus for the Modern Languages (allied organization of the Modern Language Association), "Lesbian and Gay Studies Newsletter"	1990–1997
b. 4, f. 2	The Lesbian Herstory Archives, "Lesbian/Gay History Researchers Networking Newsletter"	1980–1981
b. 4, f. 3	Natalie Barney, Edward Carpenter Library; "Newsletter of the International Gay and Lesbian Archives"	1986–1998
b. 4, f. 4–5	San Francisco Bay Area Gay and Lesbian Historical Society, "San Francisco Bay Area Gay and Lesbian Historical Society Newsletter"	1985–2002
b. 4, f. 6–8	The Society of Lesbian and Gay Anthropologists, "Society of Lesbian and Gay Anthropologists Newsletter"	1979–1997
b. 5, f. 1	The Society of Lesbian and Gay Anthropologists, "Society of Lesbian and Gay Anthropologists Newsletter"	1979–1997
b. 5, f. 2	Toronto Centre for Lesbian and Gay Studies, "Centre Fold: Publication of the Toronto Centre for Lesbian and Gay Studies"	1990–1997
Publications This grouping is arranged alphabetically by folder title.		
b. 5, f. 3	Feminism and porn debate	1981–1987
b. 5, f. 4–5	"Gay Community News" (The National Queer Progressive Quarterly)	1984–1998
b. 5, f. 6	"Gay Community News" clippings	1985–1987
b. 5, f. 7	"Gay Community News" transition from old format to new	1996–1997
b. 5, f. 8	Lesbian sex magazines	1984–1985
b. 6, f. 1–3	Magazine issues and rare booklets	1973–2012

Organizational newsletters and publications > Publications (continued)

b. 6, f. 4-6	Magazines on newsprint	1975-1988
b. 7, f. 1	Scandal magazines	1955-1960
<p>Seminars and events</p> <p>Materials in this grouping include discussion papers and other materials from a seminar series, 1984-1993, organized by Ann Snitow on the topic of sex, gender, and consumer culture, as well as materials from a 1995 lesbian and gay history conference held at City University of New York.</p>		
b. 7, f. 2	"Lesbian and Gay History: Defining a Field" (conference, Graduate School and University Center, City University of New York)	1995
b. 7, f. 3	Montreal Gay History Conference	1991-1992
<p>"Sex, Gender, and Consumer Culture"</p> <p>This series of feminist seminars was organized by Ann Snitow and held at New York University.</p>		
b. 7, f. 4	General This folder contains seminar notes and an obituary for Ann Snitow.	2018-2019
b. 7, f. 5-9	1984 - 1993	1984-1993
<p>Research files</p> <p>Materials in this grouping relating to Hansen's research on AIDS, gay and lesbian historical projects and periodicals, biology and sexual orientation, and medical history in advertising. It includes clippings, book catalogues, magazines, notes, pamphlets, and other materials.</p>		
<p>General</p> <p>AIDS</p>		
b. 7, f. 10	General	1983
b. 7, f. 11-12	Clippings	1987-1997
b. 8, f. 1	Clippings	1987-1997
b. 8, f. 2	"A Plague on All Our Houses: Electric Kool AIDS Acid Tests" (Richard Goldstein)	1986
b. 8, f. 3	Biology and sexual orientation	1989-1993
b. 8, f. 4	Edward Sagarin	1997
b. 8, f. 5	Gay and lesbian historical projects and archives	1986-2009
b. 8, f. 6	Gay periodicals collection	1998
b. 8, f. 7	Martin Bauml Duberman columns	1982-1983
b. 8, f. 8	Reprint book catalogues	1974-1980
b. 8, f. 9	Wayne Dynes at City University	1989

Research files (continued)

Medical history in advertising

This collection contains advertisements reproduced in clippings and printouts. The advertisements were originally produced between the years 1813 and 1976; the materials present are reproductions from the 1990s and 2000s.

b. 8, f. 10	General	1999–2006
b. 8, f. 11	Abbott	1999–2005
b. 8, f. 12	Antikamnia	2000–2007
b. 8, f. 13	Arlington Chemical Company	2003
b. 8, f. 14	Armour	1999
b. 8, f. 15	Bausch & Lomb	1999
b. 8, f. 16	Bayer	2006
b. 8, f. 17	Bristol	2002
b. 8, f. 18	Burroughs Wellcome	2000
b. 8, f. 19	Camel cigarettes	2000
b. 8, f. 20	Chemists, miscellaneous	2000
b. 8, f. 21	Ciba	1998–2000
b. 8, f. 22	Cigar bands	1999
b. 8, f. 23	Colgate	2005
b. 8, f. 24	Curity	1999
b. 8, f. 25	Dairies	1999
b. 8, f. 26	Father John's Medicine	Undated
b. 8, f. 27	Lilly	2000
b. 8, f. 28	Listerine/Lambert	2001–2005
b. 8, f. 29	Lysol	1999
b. 8, f. 30	Maltine	2001
b. 9, f. 1	Metropolitan Life Insurance Company	2005
b. 9, f. 2	Parke, Davis & Company	1998–2005
b. 9, f. 3	Parke, Davis & Company (Newark rabies case)	1996–2001
b. 9, f. 4	Petrolagar	2000–2009
b. 9, f. 5	Publishers	2000
b. 9, f. 6	Reed & Carnrick	2004

Research files > Medical history in advertising (continued)

b. 9, f. 7	Schering	2000
b. 9, f. 8	Shell Oil	2005
b. 9, f. 9	Squibb	1999–2008
b. 9, f. 10	Upjohn	Undated
b. 9, f. 11	Warner & Company calendars	2006
b. 9, f. 12	Wellcome	2005
b. 9, f. 13	West (Doctor) Toothbrush	1999–2000
b. 9, f. 14	Wyeth	2000
<p>Writings</p> <p>Materials in this grouping include a selection of Hansen's academic papers and published works, as well as material from other authors. A thorough record of the process of publishing Hansen's 2009 book <i>Picturing Medical Progress from Pasteur to Polio: A History of Mass Media Images and Popular Attitudes in America</i> is represented here, in addition to his writings on the topic of women in medicine and his written materials relating to the 1985 Bellagio conference on Gender, Technology and Education.</p>		
b. 9, f. 15	"Gay Studies Thesaurus: A controlled vocabulary for indexing and accessing materials of relevance to gay culture, history, politics and psychology" (Dee Michel)	1983
	"Picturing Medical Progress from Pasteur to Polio" (Bert Hansen)	2009
	Book publishing process	bulk 1990–2009
b. 9, f. 16–17	General	1979–2009
b. 9, f. 18	Acknowledgements	2007
b. 9, f. 19	Bibliography	2005
b. 9, f. 20	Book cover ideas	Undated
b. 9, f. 21	Book flyers	Undated
b. 9, f. 22	Book prizes	2008–2009
b. 9, f. 23	Book review ideas	2008
b. 9, f. 24	Book's new stuff	2004–2005
b. 10, f. 1–4	Complete copy of long version	2009
b. 10, f. 5	Copy editing agenda	2008
b. 10, f. 6	Copyright	2008
b. 10, f. 7	Cover ideas	2008
b. 10, f. 8	Cover mockup	Undated

Writings > "Picturing Medical Progress from Pasteur to Polio" (Bert Hansen) > Book publishing process (continued)

b. 10, f. 9	Drug company promotions	2008
b. 10, f. 10	Editing reminders	2005
b. 10, f. 11	Editors	2007
b. 10, f. 12	Email promotion	2009
b. 10, f. 13	Endnotes clean-up	Undated
b. 10, f. 14	Flyers and press releases	Undated
b. 10, f. 15	Free copies distribution	2009
b. 11, f. 1	Harvard University Press #2 proposal and contract	1998
b. 11, f. 2	Image submission	2008
b. 11, f. 3	Images editing	2004–2007
b. 11, f. 4	Intellectual property	2001
b. 11, f. 5	Johns Hopkins University Press (rejection letter)	2007
b. 11, f. 6	Manuscript delivery	2008
b. 11, f. 7	Marketing	2008–2009
b. 11, f. 8	Mixed-B figures, chapter 7	Undated
b. 11, f. 9	Permission - originals	2008
b. 11, f. 10	Permissions	2005–2007
b. 11, f. 11–12	Post-submission corrections	1990–2006
b. 11, f. 13	Press contacts	2007–2008
b. 11, f. 14	Press releases for book	2009
b. 11, f. 15	Prizes	2009
b. 11, f. 16	Proposal drafting	2007
b. 11, f. 17	Reader's reports	Undated
	Reading copy	2009
b. 11, f. 18	Chapter 1	2009
b. 11, f. 19	Chapter 2	2009
b. 12, f. 1	Chapter 3	2009
b. 12, f. 2	Chapter 4	2009
b. 12, f. 3	Chapter 5	2009
b. 12, f. 4	Chapter 6	2009

Writings > "Picturing Medical Progress from Pasteur to Polio" (Bert Hansen) > Book publishing process > Reading copy (continued)

b. 12, f. 5	Chapter 7	2009
b. 12, f. 6	Chapter 8	2009
b. 12, f. 7	Chapter 9	2009
b. 12, f. 8	Chapter 10	2009
b. 13, f. 1	Retrospective	2005
b. 13, f. 2	Retrospective - used notes	2003-2006
b. 13, f. 3	Rights plan for Doreen Valentine	2008
b. 13, f. 4	Rutgers contract	2007
b. 13, f. 5	Subventions	2007
	University of Michigan Press	2003-2008
b. 13, f. 6	Book contract	2004-2007
b. 13, f. 7	Book proposal	2003-2006
b. 13, f. 8	Royalties	2005
b. 13, f. 9	Talks	2004
b. 13, f. 10	University of Rochester Press	2007-2008
b. 13, f. 11	WordPerfect to Word conversion	2008
	Images and rights	
	This collection contains images, primarily illustrations and advertisements, reproduced in clippings and printouts. The original images were produced between the years 1886 and 1962; the materials present are reproductions from the 2000s.	
b. 13, f. 12	1 Salk by Karsh	2008-2009
b. 13, f. 13	2 Buffalo evening news	2008
b. 13, f. 14	20 National Urban League	2008
b. 13, f. 15	29 Handbill Paris	2008
b. 13, f. 16	52 Funk & Wagnells weekly review	2008
b. 13, f. 17	53 Curtis Publishing - Country Gentleman	2008
b. 13, f. 18	54 Boston Evening Transcript	2008
b. 13, f. 19	55-57 Warner Brothers	2008
b. 13, f. 20	57 Muirs Atlas	2008
b. 13, f. 21	60 Parke Davis Pfizer	2008
b. 13, f. 22	62 Novartis - Ciba Goldberger	2008

Writings > "Picturing Medical Progress from Pasteur to Polio" (Bert Hansen) > Images and rights
(continued)

b. 13, f. 23	63 Squibb, color plate 11	2008
b. 13, f. 24	64 Weco Products	2008
b. 13, f. 25	82 Marvels of Science / Charlton	2008
b. 13, f. 26	86 Lester, Henry M. - mice cover	2008
b. 13, f. 27	93 Mieth breads	2008
b. 14, f. 1	108 Salk + Hayes	2008
b. 14, f. 2	Color plate 10, Pocket Books	2008
b. 14, f. 3	Figure numbering	2008
b. 14, f. 4	Microbe hunters quotation	2008
b. 14, f. 5	Nedor: 6 figures + color plate 16	2008
b. 14, f. 6	Stills	2008
b. 14, f. 7	True Comics	2008
b. 14, f. 8	Time Incorporated	2008

Women in medicine

General

b. 14, f. 9	"Are Women Better Doctors?" (Perri Klass, New York Times Magazine)	1988
b. 14, f. 10	Berkshire Conference, Smith College	1984
b. 14, f. 11	Journal of the American Medical Women's Association	1983-1984
b. 14, f. 12	Magazines	1985-1988
b. 14, f. 13	"Women and the Public Interest: An Essay on Policy and Protest" (Jessie Bernard)	1985

Bellagio conference

These files contain material relating to the Bellagio conference on Gender, Technology and Education, held at the Rockefeller Foundation Center in Bellagio, Italy in 1985. At this conference, Bert Hansen presented a paper entitled *Women's Participation in Medicine: An Historical Overview*. Ideas from this presentation were further developed in his papers *Gender and Change in the American Medical Profession* and *Women's Struggle for a Place in American Medicine*.

Although most of the presented works were later published in the associated journal *Daedalus*, Bert Hansen's paper was rejected by the editors of that volume and never appeared in print. Aside from the specific subject of gender and medicine as analyzed in the 1980s, researchers will be able to trace herein the progression from invitation, drafts of a paper, revisions after the conference, reactions from the editors, and finally rejection of a scholarly project.

Writings > Women in medicine > Bellagio conference (continued)

General

b. 14, f. 14-16	Gender research	1979-1986
b. 15, f. 1-2	Gender research	1979-1986
b. 15, f. 3	Gender conference references	1975-1985
b. 15, f. 4-6	Gender shelf	1977-1986
b. 15, f. 7	Invitation and planning	1985
b. 15, f. 8	Reception	1985
b. 15, f. 9	Schedule and notes	1985

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	"Gender and Change in the American Medical Profession"	1986
b. 15, f. 10	Daedalus	1986
b. 16, f. 1	Daedalus - critiques	1986
b. 16, f. 2	Daedalus - last gasp	1986
b. 16, f. 3	Draft for Daedalus (withdrawn)	1986
b. 16, f. 4	For next Bellagio revision	1983-1985
	"Gender Ideologies and American Physicians"	1985
b. 16, f. 5	II. Historical overview	Undated
b. 16, f. 6	III. The masculinity and femininity of doctors	Undated
b. 16, f. 7	III. A: Women in/and medicine	1976-1985
b. 16, f. 8	IV. Woman's Nature, evoked by feminists	1985
b. 16, f. 9	V. Is "Woman's Nature" sexist? Inadequate?	Undated
b. 16, f. 10	VI. Overcoming its inadequacies	Undated
b. 16, f. 11	VII. Conclusions: power and politics	Undated
b. 16, f. 12	Correspondences	1986
b. 16, f. 13	Draft	Undated
b. 16, f. 14	Final version showing accents to be added by hand	Undated
b. 16, f. 15-16	"Gender Ideologies and American Physicians"	1985
b. 16, f. 17	Notes	1985
b. 16, f. 18	Writings and correspondence	1986
b. 16, f. 19	"Women's Struggle for a Place in American Medicine"	1985

Writings > Women in medicine > Bellagio conference (continued)

Papers by third parties

b. 16, f. 20	"Crisis in Education for Technology" (Elizabeth Kennan)	Undated
b. 16, f. 21	"Educating Women for the Engineering Profession" (Hedwig Rudolph)	1985
b. 16, f. 22	"Designed in the Mind: Western Visions of Science, Nature and Humankind" (A. C. Crombie)	1985
b. 17, f. 1	"Gender and Science" (Londa Schiebinger)	1985
b. 17, f. 2	"Gender, Technology, and Development: Perspectives from the 1980s" (Susan Bourque and Kay Warren)	1985
b. 17, f. 3	"The Quest for Equality: Implementation by the Government of Canada" (Judith Erola)	1985
b. 17, f. 4	"The Representations of Gender on Australian War Memorials" (K. S. Inglis)	1985
b. 17, f. 5	"The Representations of Gender on Australian War Memorials: Illustrations" (K. S. Inglis)	1985
b. 17, f. 6	"Science in Search of a Role: Tradition and Utility in the Age of Science-Based Industry" (Robert Fox and Anna Guagnini)	1985
b. 17, f. 7	"Society Writes Biology/Biology Constructs Gender" (Anne Fausto-Sterling)	1985
b. 17, f. 8	"Sources of Change in the Schooling of Girls in Massachusetts, 1750-1810" (Kathryn Sklar)	1985
b. 17, f. 9	"Women Teachers in the Changing American Economy" (Thomas Dublin)	1985
<p>Personal medical files</p> <p>Materials in this grouping include Bert Hansen's personal medical files, including a continuous record of forty-three years of medical care with one primary care physician as well as his records of medical expenses from the years 1994 to 2015.</p>		
b. 17, f. 10	Records: Hansen, Bert	
Expenses		
b. 17, f. 11-14	Flexible spending account	1994-1997
b. 17, f. 15	Insurance during leave, fall	1997
b. 18, f. 1	Flexible spending account	1998
b. 18, f. 2	1999	1999
b. 18, f. 3-4	Flexible spending account	2000-2001

Accession 2021-M-0011: Additional material, 1978–1996

This accession contains files relating to efforts, begun in 1988, by the Museum of the City of New York to create an exhibit and a book on the history of epidemics in New York City. Hansen was directly involved in both efforts. The book was published eventually, and the exhibit was not shown. The accession also includes materials documenting a movement in the late 1980s for academic fields (in Hansen's case history), to take responsibility for bringing the then-new AIDS epidemic into their purview. Hansen organized the first panel on AIDS at the American Historical Association. Also included is a U-matic tape of a recording of Hansen interviewed for Binghamton, New York local television in 1978, along with a VHS tape.

The material is arranged under three headings: AIDS and history; Museum of the City of New York, "Epidemics in New York City History;" and Audiovisual material. Files under each heading are arranged alphabetically with the exception of two groupings, which are arranged chronologically: a group of files relating to National Institute of Health conferences (under AIDS and history), and Chronological files (under Museum of the City of New York, "Epidemics in New York City History").

	AIDS and history	1986–1993
	This grouping contains files about historians and AIDS. The materials document efforts by academic historians of medicine to initiate the consideration of AIDS in history when the epidemic was in its early stages.	
	Materials within this grouping are arranged chronologically.	
b. 1, f. 1	AIDS event, New York University Medical School (January)	1986
b. 1, f. 2	Video on AIDS by Phil Zwickler (May)	1986
b. 1, f. 3	American Historical Association AIDS panel and later book	1986–1987
b. 1, f. 4	Hawaii conference and paper	1987
b. 1, f. 5	Smithsonian AIDS-related history and collecting	1987
b. 1, f. 6	History and AIDS as a subject: research	1988
b. 1, f. 7	History group, the American Association for the History of Medicine	1988
	National Institute of Health conferences	1989–1993
b. 1, f. 8	AIDS and the Historian, National Institute of Health conference: agenda and notes	1989
b. 1, f. 9	Transcription from National Institute of Health	1989
b. 1, f. 10	Transcription revisions and correspondence with editors	1989
b. 1, f. 11	Hansen - edited transcription and comments	1989
b. 1, f. 12	Conference	1993
b. 1, f. 13	Book: AIDS and the Historian	1991
	Museum of the City of New York, "Epidemics in New York City History"	1985–1996
	Materials within this grouping are arranged alphabetically by folder title. Includes a grouping of files which are arranged chronologically.	
	AIDS	1987–1994

Museum of the City of New York, "Epidemics in New York City Hist [...] > AIDS (continued)

b. 1, f. 14	Chronology in San Francisco	1990
b. 1, f. 15	Films for exhibit	1990
b. 1, f. 16	Press, flyers, and other ephemera	1987-1990
b. 1, f. 17	Quilt: The NAMES Project	1987
b. 1, f. 18	Section (press clippings)	1987-1994
b. 2, f. 1	Artifacts and instruments	1987
b. 2, f. 2	Black nurses	1985
b. 2, f. 3	Black physicians in New York City	1985
b. 2, f. 4	New York City Board of Health	undated
b. 2, f. 5	Center for the Study of Nursing History, University of Pennsylvania	1990
	Chronological files	1988-1995
b. 2, f. 6	1988	1988
b. 2, f. 7	1989	1989
b. 2, f. 8	1990	1990
b. 2, f. 9	1991-1995	1991-1995
b. 2, f. 10	Exhibit materials leads	1989
b. 2, f. 11	Irish exhibit controversy	1996
b. 2, f. 12	Research notes for Museum of the City of New York book (not included in book)	undated
	Subjects for exhibit: research notes and images	1988-1990
	Cholera	
b. 2, f. 13	Cholera-related materials	undated
b. 2, f. 14	1832	undated
b. 2, f. 15	1849	undated
b. 2, f. 16	1866	undated
b. 2, f. 17	Croton aqueduct	undated
b. 2, f. 18	Diphtheria	undated
b. 3, f. 1	Disinfected mail and books	undated
b. 3, f. 2	Epidemics in New York City lists	undated
b. 3, f. 3	Film documents for exhibit	1988-1990
b. 3, f. 4	Humanitarianism	undated

Museum of the City of New York, "Epidemics in New York City Hist [...] > Subjects for exhibit:
research notes and images (continued)

b. 3, f. 5	Immigrant health inspection	undated
b. 3, f. 6	Immigration	1990
b. 3, f. 7	Infantile paralysis	undated
b. 3, f. 8	Influenza	undated
b. 3, f. 9	Metropolitan Life Insurance Company	undated
b. 3, f. 10	Municipal laboratory	undated
b. 3, f. 11	New York City views	undated
b. 3, f. 12	Oil paintings	undated
b. 3, f. 13	Practice of medicine	undated
b. 3, f. 14	Quarantine in the 19th century	undated
	Sanitation	
b. 3, f. 15	18th century	undated
b. 3, f. 16	19th century	undated
b. 3, f. 17	20th century	undated
b. 3, f. 18	Smallpox	undated
	Tuberculosis	
b. 3, f. 19	General	undated
b. 3, f. 20	Fundraising	undated
b. 3, f. 21	Nonwhite	undated
b. 3, f. 22	Tuberculosis as an "epidemic"	undated
b. 3, f. 23	Typhoid Mary	undated
b. 3, f. 24	Yellow fever in the 1700s	undated
b. 3, f. 25	Yellow fever, 1805	1990
b. 3, f. 26	Susan Kapsis memoranda	1990
	Audiovisual material	1978
b. 4	Interview of Bert Hansen for The Morning Show in Binghamton, New York: February 3 <i>1 Videocassette (U-matic)</i> Original audiovisual materials, as well as preservation and duplicating masters, may not be played. Researchers must consult use copies, or if none exist must pay for a use copy, which is retained by the repository. Researchers wishing to obtain an additional copy of non-commercially produced items for their personal use should consult the ordering reproductions information on the Manuscripts and Archives web site.	1978, 1978 February 6

Audiovisual material (continued)

- b. 5 Interview of Bert Hansen for The Morning Show in Binghamton, New York: 1978, 1978
February 3 February 6
1 Videocassette (VHS)

This VHS cassette is a copy of the U-matic cassette listed above.

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Bert Hansen interview about gay activism on Binghamton, New York TV station
Digital copy of 1978 interview.

Original computer files may not be accessed due to their fragility. Researchers must consult access copies.

Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject or location, and by occupation and listed alphabetically therein.

Subjects

AIDS (Disease) -- Canada
AIDS (Disease) -- Prevention
AIDS (Disease) -- United States
AIDS activists
Gay men
Lesbians
LGBTQ resource

Names

Hansen, Bert, 1944-

Corporate Bodies

AIDS Committee of Toronto
Gay Men's Health Crisis, Inc