

Guide to the Gay Comics Collection

MS 1851



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Collection Overview

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SUMMARY: The collection contains assorted lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender and queer (LGBTQ) comic publications dealing with issues such as coming out, romantic and sexual relationships, depression, and gay and lesbian liberation. Some magazines appear to be self published while others are commercially published.

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Key to the container abbreviations used in the PDF finding aid:

b. box
f. folder

Administrative Information

Immediate Source of Acquisition

Transferred by the Larry Kramer Initiative Executive Coordinator, 2004-2005. Transferred from the Gay and Lesbian Studies librarian, 2015. Transferred from the Women's, Gender and Sexuality Studies and Gay and Lesbian Studies librarian, 2015.

Conditions Governing Access

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Scope and Contents

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Arrangement

The collection is arranged alphabetically by title.

Collection Contents

Original accession

b. 1, f. 1	<i>The Adventures of Baby Dyke</i> [Terry Sapp] Issues 1-2	1991, 1992
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Are Your Highs Getting You Down?</i> [Mary Wings]	1981
b. 1, f. 1	<i>The Barr Girls</i> No. 1	1996
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Boy Trouble</i> #1	1994
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Come Out Comix</i> [Mary Wings]	1977
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Dragnett</i> [Hedda Lettuce] #1-3	undated
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Dynamite Damsels</i> [Roberta Gregory] Two copies	1976
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Fear Comics</i> [Maurice Vellekoop]	1989
b. 1, f. 3	<i>Gay Comics</i> #19, #21, Formerly <i>Gay Comix</i>	1993
b. 1, f. 3	<i>Gay Comix</i> Nos. 1-3, 14	1980-1982
b. 1, f. 4	<i>Hot Head Paisan</i> Nos. 1-7 and correspondence	1991-1992
b. 1, f. 5	<i>Leonard and Larry</i> No. 1, signed by the artist, Tim Barela	1992
b. 1, f. 5	<i>Liliane</i> [Leanne Franson] Three issues including #25 and #27	1992, 1994
b. 1, f. 6	<i>Meatmen: An Anthology of Gay Male Comics</i> Volumes 5, 9	1989, 1990
b. 1, f. 7	<i>Naughty Bits</i> [Roberta Gregory] #5	1992
b. 1, f. 7	<i>Nocturnal Emissions</i> [Fiona Smyth] No. 1	1991
b. 1, f. 7	<i>Real Girl</i> No. 2	1991

b. 1, f. 7	<i>Strange Looking Exile</i> #1-5	1991-1994
b. 1, f. 8	<i>Tales of the Closet</i> Nos. 1-5, 7, 8	1987-1992
b. 1, f. 9	<i>Troopship</i> [Stephen] Adventuretime #8, copy	1976
b. 1, f. 9	<i>Witch Dream</i>	undated

Accession 2015-M-056: Additional material, 1985-2014

This accession comprises assorted lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer (LGBTQ) comics, including ones that are professionally published and self-published. The comics explore such topics as coming out, bullying, romantic and sexual relationships, experiences with transitioning and expressing gender identity, stereotypes of LGBTQ people, politics, and treatment by family and friends that are not LGBTQ identified. A significant portion of these comics are science fiction and fantasy stories. Some comics that are not explicitly related to LGBTQ topics are also included in this accession, possibly because of the LGBTQ identity of their creators. Publication dates range from 1985 to 2014, with the bulk from 2000 to 2014.

b. 1, f. 1	<i>Anatta</i> [Wei Le and Anise Shaw] English	Undated
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Angle</i> [Paige Alexis and Kevin Alexis] English #1	2004
b. 1, f. 1	<i>The Auger</i> [Josh Trujillo and Elliot Baggott] English	2014
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Avant-Garde</i> [Yves Navant] English	2013
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Bakersfield, Earth</i> [David Quantic and Tamra Bonvillain] English	2013
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Bent Comix Sampler</i> , no.1 English	2009
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Beth Dean is Loose in San Francisco</i> [Beth Dean] English Issue #1	2012
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Beth Dean is Pregnant with Desire</i> [Beth Dean] English Issue #2	2012
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Black Satyr</i> [Ajuan Mance] English	2013
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Books with Pictures</i> [Sina Grace] English #2-3	2006-2007
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Bop! Comics</i> [Randall Kirby] English #1	2003
b. 1, f. 2	<i>Bosom Enemies</i> [Donna Barr] English Nos. 1-2	2000, 2010
b. 1, f. 3	<i>Cliterally Speaking</i> English	2010

b. 1, f. 3	<i>Dash</i> [Dave Ebersole and Delia Gable] English No. 1	2014
b. 1, f. 3	<i>The Deposit Man</i> English Acts 1-3	2001-2004
b. 1, f. 4-6	<i>The Desert Peach</i> [Donna Barr] English Nr. 1-2, 5, 7-8, 11-12, 14-16, 19, 21-30	1988-2001, 2009
b. 2, f. 1	<i>A Deviant Mind</i> [Pam Harrison] English #7-8, 12, 17-18, 20-21, signed by the artist.	2012-2014
b. 2, f. 1	<i>Diary of a Catering Whore</i> [Sean Seamus McWhinny] English Year two and year three	2009
b. 2, f. 1	<i>Dirtheads</i> [Tara Avery] English No. 6	2010
b. 2, f. 1	<i>Dirty Drawings</i> [Justin Hall] English	2010
b. 2, f. 1	<i>Disconnect</i> [Agnes] English	Undated
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Dogspunk Comix</i> [Dave Davenport] English Issue 1	2007
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Dolltopia</i> [Abby Denson] English Books 1-2	2002-2007
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Eve's Apple</i> [Christine Smith] English DIY Edition and Sampler #1	2008-2009
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Family Portraits</i> [Sam Orchard] English Issue 1, autographed by the artist	2014
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Foodwise</i> [Tony Breed] English	Undated
b. 2, f. 2	<i>Fortune Favors the Bold!</i> [Brian Douglas Ahern and Randall Kirby] English #1	2012

b. 2, f. 3	<i>Frater Mine</i> English #1-3 (two copies of #3)	2006
b. 2, f. 3	<i>Friend of Dorothy</i> [Brian Andersen and Neftali Centeno] English #1-2	2010-2011
b. 2, f. 4-5	<i>Gay Comics</i> English No. 15-25, formerly <i>Gay Comix</i>	1991-1998
b. 2, f. 6	<i>Gay Comix</i> English Nos. 6, 11-14	1985-1991
b. 2, f. 7	<i>Glamazonia: The Uncanny Super-Tranny</i> [Justin Hall] English	2010
b. 2, f. 7	<i>Gooch</i> [Tara Avery] English #1	2014
b. 2, f. 7	<i>Grave Impressions</i> English Books 1-2	2013-2014
b. 2, f. 7	Guys With Swords [Topher MacDonald] Volume 2.5	Undated
b. 3, f. 1	<i>Hansel and Gretel: Agents of the Coven</i> [Desmond Miller] English #1-3	2008-2009
b. 3, f. 1	<i>Head Trip</i> [Sean Seamus McWhinny] English	2006
b. 3, f. 1	<i>House of the Muses: The Latter Days of Sappho of Lesbos</i> [Pam Harrison] English Serial 1-4, signed by the artist	2007-2009
b. 3, f. 2	<i>Hunters: The Shadowlands</i> English #1	2013
b. 3, f. 2	<i>I Love Spiders</i> [Lolagouine] English	Undated
b. 3, f. 2	<i>Immola</i> [Joan Hilty] English	1994
b. 3, f. 2	<i>Intersections</i> English #1-3 (two copies of issue #2)	Undated

b. 3, f. 2	<i>Jayson Comics</i> [Jeff Krell] English #1-2	2011-2012
b. 3, f. 3	<i>Junkyard Angels</i> English #1-2	2011
b. 3, f. 3	<i>Just Another Sheep</i> [Mat Heagerty] English Nos.1-2, signed by the writer	2013
b. 3, f. 4	<i>Kevin Keller</i> [Dan Parent] English 2-9, 15, all with variant covers, 2 and 3 signed by the artist	2012-2014
b. 3, f. 5	<i>Last Kiss</i> [John Lustig] English #2-3	2001
b. 3, f. 5	<i>Le Croisic: Our Night in a French Phone Booth</i> [Justin Hall] English	2009
b. 3, f. 5	<i>The Legend of Bold Riley</i> [Leia Weathington] English #1-2	2014
b. 3, f. 6	<i>The Legend of Hedgehog Boy</i> [Rene Capone] English #1-2	2009-2011
b. 3, f. 6	<i>Less Than Hero</i> [McNamara and Talber] English	2003
b. 4, f. 1-2	<i>Liliane</i> [Leanne Franson] English #2-22, 24, 26, 28-41	1992-2005
b. 4, f. 3	<i>Liliane and Muesli in Beyond Labels and Shades of Queer</i> [Leanne Franson] English	2007
b. 4, f. 3	<i>Liliane and Muesli in le regarde des autres and Energy Saver</i> [Leanne Franson] English	2007
b. 4, f. 3	<i>Liliane and Muesli in Letting Work Slide!</i> [Leanne Franson] English	2007
b. 4, f. 3	<i>The Little Book of Big Black Bears</i> [Ajuan Mance] English	2014
b. 4, f. 3	<i>Love, Death and UFOs</i> [Mark Andrews] English No. 1	1998

b. 4, f. 3	<i>Love Machines</i> [Josh Trujillo] English #1-2	2014
b. 4, f. 3	<i>Love Minus Zero and Other Stories</i> English Special #1	2011
b. 4, f. 4	<i>Lumberjanes</i> [Shannon Watters, Grace Ellis, Noelle Stevenson, and Brooke Allen] English #1, 3-4, 6-7	2014
b. 4, f. 4	<i>Mahou Shounen Fight!</i> [Dusty K. Smith and JD Saxon] English Chapter 4	2010-2012
b. 4, f. 4	<i>The Mark of Gabriel</i> [Raul Faria] English #1	Undated
b. 4, f. 4	<i>My Deadly Darling Dyke</i> [Lee Marrs] English	2008
b. 4, f. 5	<i>My Boyfriend is a Space Robot!</i> [Abby Denson] English	2008
b. 4, f. 5	<i>Naughty Bits</i> [Roberta Gregory] English #23	1997
b. 4, f. 5	<i>Night Patrol</i> [Kenne Morrison and Sean Freitas] English #0	2010
b. 4, f. 5	<i>Not-so-butch</i> [MariNaomi] English	2011
b. 4, f. 5	<i>O Human Star</i> [Blue Delliquanti] English Chapters 1-2	2012-2013
b. 4, f. 5	<i>October Recital</i> [Stefan Salinas] English Signed by the artist	2011
b. 4, f. 5	<i>Only in San Francisco</i> [Justin Hall] English	2004
b. 4, f. 6	<i>Passing Notes</i> [Abby Denson] English	2005-2007
b. 4, f. 6	<i>Peejoe</i> [Jessie Johnson] English #1-2	2009-2011

b. 4, f. 6	<i>Picnic on the Moon</i> [Agnes] English Volume 1	2010
b. 4, f. 6	<i>Pizza and Sex</i> English	2013
b. 4, f. 6	<i>Playgod</i> [Cary Coatney] English #1-2	2007-2009
b. 4, f. 6	<i>Politically InQueerect</i> [Dylan Edwards] English #2	2006
b. 4, f. 7	<i>Pope and Pig</i> [Sam Tannen] English #1-3	2004
b. 4, f. 7	<i>The Power Within</i> [Charles "Zan" Christensen] English	2011
b. 4, f. 7	<i>Pride High</i> [Tommy Roddy and Brian Ponce] English #1, 3	2006-2007
b. 5, f. 1	<i>Primahood</i> [Tyler Cohen] English #1-3.5	2011-2012, undated
b. 5, f. 1	<i>The Princess Gals'n'Pals Digest</i> [Christine Smith] English #1	Undated
b. 5, f. 1	<i>The Protector Corps</i> [Gene Guilmette] English Preview, #1-2	2010-2012
b. 5, f. 1	<i>Punk Like Me</i> [JD Glass] English	2011
b. 5, f. 1	<i>Queerbait</i> English #3	2009
b. 5, f. 1	<i>Reignbow and Dee-Va</i> [Brian Andersen and Celina Hernandez] English #3	Undated
b. 5, f. 2	<i>Rob Kirby's Snack Pak</i> [Rob Kirby] English #1	2013
b. 5, f. 2	<i>A Sacred Text</i> [Justin Hall] English	2002

b. 5, f. 2	<i>Sex and the Superhero</i> [Brian Andersen, Neftali Centeno, Celina Hernandez] English #1	Undated
b. 5, f. 2	<i>Shirtlifter</i> [Steve MacIsaac] English #1-4	2006-2011
b. 5, f. 3	<i>Sparkle</i> [Paige Alexis and Kevin Alexis] English No. 1	2004
b. 5, f. 3	<i>Spectra: Turbulent Times</i> [Rebecca Thompson and Kerry G. Johnson] English #5	2013
b. 5, f. 3	<i>Stinz</i> [Donna Barr] English #6-8, 14, Tribals	1998-2010
b. 5, f. 4	<i>Swallowing a Cobra's Heart and Other True Travel Tales</i> [Justin Hall] English	2006
b. 5, f. 4	<i>This Gay Existence</i> [Adam Fair] English #1-3	2009-2010
b. 5, f. 4	<i>Thoughts From Iceland</i> [Lonnie Mann] English Days 1-4	2013-2014
b. 5, f. 4	<i>Transposes</i> [Dylan Edwards] English	2010
b. 5, f. 5	<i>True Travel Tales</i> [Justin Hall] English #3-4	2004
b. 5, f. 5	<i>Two Spirit Deal</i> [Hugh Tims] English #1	2009
b. 5, f. 5	26.2 [Tana Ford] English Signed by the writer	2011
b. 5, f. 5	<i>Unabashedly Billie</i> [Brian Andersen and Preston Nesbit] English #1	2008
b. 5, f. 5	<i>A Waste of Time</i> [Rick Worley] English #1	2014

b. 5, f. 5	<i>Water Column</i> [Josh Frankel] English #1-2	2008-2009
b. 5, f. 5	<i>Western Nightmares</i> [Tony Lawrence and Iceman] English #1	2006
b. 5, f. 5	<i>Wolfmen</i> [Calvin Gimpelevich and Emiliano Quale] English #1, signed by the writer	Undated
b. 5, f. 6	<i>Wuvable Oaf</i> [Ed Luce] English Nos. 0-3, <i>Chromophilia</i> , and <i>San Furrancisco</i>	2014

Accession 2016-M-0005: Additional material, 1981–1993

This accession contains several volumes of Kurt Erichsen's comic *Murphy's Manor*. The comic follows five housemates, four gay men and a lesbian woman, who live in an unnamed city in Ohio. Topics include dating, politics, sex, and gay bar culture. Publication dates range from 1981 to 1993.

b. 1, f. 1	<i>Murphy's Manor: Savoir-Fairy</i> [Kurt Erichsen]	1981–1986
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Murphy's Manor: Meg for Mayor</i> [Kurt Erichsen]	1981–1985
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Murphy's Manor: Volume 10</i> [Kurt Erichsen]	1991
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Murphy's Manor: Volume 11</i> [Kurt Erichsen]	1992
b. 1, f. 1	<i>Murphy's Manor: Volume 12</i> [Kurt Erichsen]	1993

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

Bisexuals -- Comic books, strips, etc.
Coming out (Sexual orientation) -- Comic books, strips, etc.
Gay liberation movement -- Comic books, strips, etc.
Gay men -- Comic books, strips, etc.
Homosexuality -- Comic books, strips, etc.
Lesbians -- Comic books, strips, etc.
LGBTQ resource
Sexual minorities -- Comic books, strips, etc.
Transgender people -- Comic books, strips, etc.

Genres / Formats

Comic books

Preferred Titles

Barr girls
Bent comix sampler
Boy trouble
Cliterally speaking
Deposit man
Frater mine
Gay comics
Gay comix
Grave impressions
Hot head paisan
Hunters
Intersections
Junkyard angels
Leonard and Larry
Less than hero
Love minus zero and other stories
Lumberjanes
Meatmen
Pizza and sex
Queerbait
Real girl
Strange looking exile
Tales of the closet
Troopship
Witch dream

Contributors

Kuklinski, Richard
Agnes (Disconnect)
Agnes (Picnic on the moon)
Lolagouine (I love spiders)
Alexis, Kevin
Baggott, Elliot
Bonvillain, Tamra
Centeno, Neftali
Freitas, Sean
Gable, Delia
Hernandez, Celina
Johnson, Kerry G.
Kirby, Randall
Nesbit, Preston
Ponce, Brian
Quale, Emiliano
Saxon, J. D.
Anise, 1985-
Ahern, Brian Douglas (Fortune favors the bold!)
Alexis, Paige (Angle)
Alexis, Paige (Sparkle)
Andersen, Brian, 1974- (Friend of Dorothy)
Andersen, Brian, 1974- (Reignbow and Dee-va)
Andersen, Brian, 1974- (Sex and the superhero)
Andersen, Brian, 1974- (Unabashedly Billie)
Andrews, Mark (Love, death and UFOs)
Avery, Tara, 1970- (Dirtheads)
Avery, Tara, 1970- (Gooch)
Barr, Donna, 1952- (Bosom enemies)
Barr, Donna, 1952- (Desert peach)
Barr, Donna, 1952- (Stinz)
Breed, Tony, 1971- (Foodwise)
Capone, Rene (Legend of hedgehog boy)
Christensen, Charles "Zan." (Power within)
Coatney, Cary (Playgod)
Cohen, Tyler (Primahood)
Davenport, Dave (Dogspunk comix)
Dean, Beth (Beth Dean is loose in San Francisco)
Dean, Beth (Beth Dean is pregnant with desire)
Delliquanti, Blue, 1989- (O human star)
Denson, Abby (Dolltopia)
Denson, Abby (My boyfriend is a space robot!)
Denson, Abby (Passing notes)
Ebersole, Dave (Dash)
Edwards, Dylan, (Cartoonist), 1975- (Politically inqueerect)

Edwards, Dylan, (Cartoonist), 1975-
(Transposes)
Fair, Adam (This gay existence)
Faria, Raul (Mark of Gabriel)
Ford, Tana (26.2)
Frankel, Josh (Water column)
Franson, Leanne, 1963- (Liliane)
Gimpelevich, Calvin (Wolfmen)
Glass, J. D. (Punk like me)
Grace, Sina (Books with pictures)
Gregory, Roberta (Dynamite damsels)
Gregory, Roberta (Naughty bits)
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Hall, Justin, 1971- (Dirty drawings)
Hall, Justin, 1971- (Glamazonia : the uncanny
super-tranny)
Hall, Justin, 1971- (Le Croisic : our night in a
French phone booth)
Hall, Justin, 1971- (Only in San Francisco)
Hall, Justin, 1971- (Sacred text)
Hall, Justin, 1971- (Swallowing a cobra's heart
and other true travel tales)
Hall, Justin, 1971- (True travel tales)
Harrison, Pam, 1964- (Deviant mind)
Harrison, Pam, 1964- (House of the muses : the
latter days of Sappho of Lesbos)
Heagerty, Mat (Just another sheep)
Hilty, Joan, -1966 (Immola)
Johnson, Jessie (Peejoe)
Kirby, Randall (Bop comics)
Kirby, Robert, 1962- (Snack pak)
Krell, Jeff, 1959- (Jayson comics)
Lawrence, Tony (Western nightmares)
Le, Wei (Anatta)
Lettuce, Hedda (Dragnett)
Luce, Ed (Wuvable oaf)
Lustig, John, 1953- (Last kiss)
MacDonald, Topher (Guys with swords)
MacIssac, Steve, 1969- (Shirtlifter)
Mance, Ajuan (Black satyrs)
Mance, Ajuan (Little book of big black bears)
Mann, Lonnie, 1986- (Thoughts from Iceland)
MariNaomi, 1973- (Not-so-butch)
Marrs, Lee, 1945- (My deadly darling dyke)
McWhinny, Sean Seamus (Diary of a catering
whore)
McWhinny, Sean Seamus (Head trip)
Miller, Desmond (Hansel and Gretel : agents of
the coven)
Morrison, Kenne (Night patrol)
Navant, Yves (Avant-garde)
Orchard, Sam, 1984- (Family portraits)
Parent, Dan (Kevin Keller)
Quantic, David, 1973- (Bakersfield, Earth)
Roddy, Tommy (Pride high)
Salinas, Stefan (October recital)
Sapp, Terry (Adventures of baby dyke)
Smith, Christine (Eve's apple)
Smith, Christine (Princess gals'n'pals digest)
Smith, Dusty K. (Mahou shounen fight!)
Smyth, Fiona, 1964- (Nocturnal emissions)
Tannen, Sam (Pope and pig)
Thompson, Rebecca (Spectra : turbulent times)
Tims, Hugh (Two spirit deal)
Trujillo, Josh, 1985- (Auger)
Trujillo, Josh, 1985- (Love machines)
Vellekoop, Maurice, 1964- (Fear comics)
Weathington, Leia (Legend of Bold Riley)
Wings, Mary, 1949- (Are your highs getting you
down?)
Wings, Mary, 1949- (Come out comix)
Worley, Rick, 1982- (Waste of time)