



## **LGBT calendars : Ms.Coll.59**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	John J. Wilcox, Jr. LGBT Archives, William Way LGBT Community Center
<b>Title:</b>	LGBT calendars
<b>ID:</b>	Ms.Coll.59
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	1971-2017
<b>Physical Description:</b>	.4 Linear feet (3 document boxes, 2 flat boxes)
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	Decorative calendars have a long and varied history. Those marketed to the LGBT community began to flourish in the 1970s with the advent of the gay liberation movement. The LGBT calendar collection contains various sorts of historic calendars with an LGBT theme including those aimed at gay men which feature nude or nearly nude male models, and those that celebrate or commemorate other aspects the LGBT community.

### Preferred Citation

LGBT calendars, 1971-2017, Ms. Coll. 59, John J. Wilcox Jr. LGBT Archives, William Way LGBT Community Center, Philadelphia, PA.

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## Biographical / Historical

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Decorative calendars have a long and varied history. Those marketed to the LGBT community began to flourish in the 1970s with the advent of the gay liberation movement. Pin-up or nude calendars, once the province of an underground press, became more wide-spread with the loosening of laws related to the production, distribution, purchase, or possession of pornography.

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## Scope and Contents

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The LGBT calendar collection contains various sorts of historic calendars with an LGBT theme. Most frequent are those aimed at gay men which feature nude or nearly nude male models. Some of these fetishize a particular racial or ethnic group, including Black, Latino, or Asian men, and others focus on physical characteristics such as youth, hairiness, or endowment, or on subcultures such as the Levis and leather scene or drag. Many of the producers of these calendars are in fact publishers of pornography magazines and videos marketed to gay men.

There are also calendars that celebrate or commemorate other aspects the LGBT community, such as Pride or the AIDS crisis, or feature the visual work of LGBT artists, such as Keith Haring. Only a few of the calendars in this collection feature or are targeted specifically at women, but include some featuring the popular lesbian cartoon "Dykes to Watch Out For" as well as a calendar/journal that features lesbian "herstory." None in this collection are directly marketed to the transgender community.

The calendars range from 1971 to 2017. Some of the earliest calendars from the 1970s are quite rare. Some of the calendars have been "used" before being donated and include handwritten appointments and other inscriptions throughout. Others are in mint condition. Some have undergone water damage in the past.

The calendars are arranged physically by size but appear in the finding aid in alphabetical order by title.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Statement

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## Immediate Source of Acquisition

Multiple individual gifts.

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## Related Materials

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### Related Materials

At John J. Wilcox, Jr. Archives of the William Way LGBT Community Center:

Philadelphia AIDS Library graphics collection contains several calendars with an HIV/AIDS theme.

Tom Wilson Weinberg papers, 1974-2013, Ms. Coll. 39, includes a memorial calendar for HIV/AIDS activist Dominic Bash.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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- Appointment books
- Calendars
- Fetishism (sexual behaviors)
- Gay artists
- Gay men
- Gay pornography
- Lesbians

## Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Instances	
The Advocate, 1981	Box 1	Folder 1
The Annual Man, 1985	Box 1	Folder 2
Biceps and Buns, 1985	Box 4	Folder 1
Blueboy, 1979-1980	Box 1	Folder 3
The Body Black, 1991	Box 1	Folder 4
Brothers: The Men of Sierra Domino, undated	Box 4	Folder 2
Chi Chi LaRue's Smut, 2008	Box 1	Folder 5
The Christopher Collection, 1992	Box 1	Folder 6
Collection of Innocence, 2003	Box 4	Folder 3
The COLOURS Organization, Safe Sex Is..., 1997	Box 1	Folder 7
Colt, 1976-1980	Box 1	Folder 8
Colt, 1981-1989, 1993	Box 1	Folder 9
Colt Leather, 1986, 1989	Box 1	Folder 10
Dykes to Watch Out For, 1993, 1996	Box 4	Folder 4
Extreme Male Endowments, 1999	Box 1	Folder 11
Falcon, 1978-1979	Box 1	Folder 12
Fire Island Men, 1980	Box 1	Folder 13
Flavamen, 2008	Box 1	Folder 14
Fox Studio, 1978, 1988-1996	Box 1	Folder 15
Freshmen, 2001	Box 2	Folder 1
The Gay and Lesbian Quote A Day Calendar, 1995	Box 4	Item 1
Gay Bingo, 2002	Box 2	Folder 2
Gay Chicago Magazine, 1990	Box 2	Folder 3
Gay Desk Calendar, 1990	Box 2	Folder 4
The Gay Engagement Calendar, 1985	Box 4	Item 2
A Gay Gallery, 1990	Box 4	Folder 5
Gay Is Angry, 1971-1972	Box 4	Folder 6
Griffin, 1976	Box 2	Folder 5

Honcho, 1979-1980	Box 2	Folder 6
In Touch, 1978-1979	Box 2	Folder 7
The Incredible Men of Rockshots, 1992	Box 4	Folder 7
The James Dean Calendar, 1982	Box 4	Folder 8
Keith Haring, 1996-2000, 2002, 2004, 2011	Box 5	Folder 1
Keith Haring (small), 1996, 2005	Box 2	Folder 8
Keith Haring (weekly), 2011	Box 5	Item 1
Kingdome 19/Henning Von Berg, Universal, 2005	Box 2	Folder 9
Kristen Bjorn, 2007-2009	Box 2	Folder 10
Latino Fan Club, 1999-2004, 2007	Box 2	Folder 11
Latino Men Naked, 2008, 2010	Box 2	Folder 12
Lesbian Calendar, 1986	Box 2	Folder 13
Male Nudes (weekly), 1998	Box 5	Item 2
Mandate, 1975, 1977-1978	Box 2	Folder 14
Men Magazine, 2000-2001, 2004	Box 2	Folder 15
Men of Color, 1994-1995	Box 2	Folder 16
The Men of San Francisco, 1979	Box 2	Folder 17
Naked Asian Youth, 2004	Box 2	Folder 18
Naked Black Men, 1998-2000, 2002-2003, 2007, 2009	Box 3	Folder 1
Naked Men: Brazil, 1997	Box 3	Folder 2
The Names Project Foundation: AIDS Memorial Quilt, 2006	Box 3	Folder 3
Our Brothers Keeper, 1994	Box 3	Folder 4
Our Community Calendar (New York City), 2005, 2006	Box 5	Folder 2
Philadelphia LGBTQ Icons, 2017	Box 3	Folder 5
Playgirl, 1976-1977, 1979-1982, 1984, 1986	Box 3	Folder 6
Pride Engagement Calendar, 1995	Box 3	Folder 7
RFD: "The Dear Love of Comrades", 1990	Box 3	Folder 8
Richard de Chazal Luxe, 2003	Box 3	Folder 9
Roy Dean Calendar, 1981	Box 3	Folder 10
A Shady Day Wall Calendar, 2003	Box 5	Folder 4
Sierra Domino Visions, Ebony Iron, Decade 80, 1977, 1979, 1980	Box 5	Folder 3
Sierra Domino's Machismo, 1978	Box 3	Folder 11

Sierra Domino's Soul Spirit '76, 1976	Box 3	Folder 12
South Seas Island Men, 1986	Box 3	Folder 13
Target Leather/Levi Calendar, 1976	Box 3	Folder 14
Titan Men, 2008	Box 3	Folder 15
Torch '96, 1996	Box 5	Folder 5
Tracking Our Way Through Time: A Lesbian Herstory Calendar/ Journal, undated	Box 5	Item 3
Up Front, 1985, 1986	Box 5	Folder 6
VIP Super Guys of San Francisco, 1976	Box 5	Folder 7
We Should Care, 1999	Box 3	Folder 16
William Higgins' Class Calendar, 1984	Box 3	Folder 17