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## Great American Yankee Freedom Band Collection

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### Descriptive Summary

**Title:** Great American Yankee Freedom Band collection

**Dates:** 1978-1979

**Collection number:** Coll2008-012

**Creator:** Great American Yankee Freedom Band

**Collection Size:** 1 archive carton 0.25 linear foot

**Repository:** ONE National Gay and Lesbian Archives.  
Los Angeles, California 90007

**Abstract:** Group photograph and unbound scrapbook leaves containing clippings, photographs, flyers, letters, writings, personal anecdotes, publicity materials, and printed materials which record, describe and discuss the performances, rehearsals and experiences of the Great American Yankee Freedom Band from August 1978 to December 1979.

**Languages:** Languages represented in the collection: English

### Access

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### Acquisition Information

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### **Administrative History**

Originally founded in 1978 to lead the annual Gay Pride Parade, the Great American Yankee Freedom Band of Los Angeles is an adult community marching band made up solely of volunteers. Its mission is to bring together the diverse communities of Southern California (including lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgendered and straight) through education, rehearsal and performance of music and other performing arts-and to provide a rewarding experience for its members. It is the second oldest musical organization of its kind in the world. The group has performed locally, nationally and internationally in concert, at street fairs, and community service organization functions.

### **Scope and Content of Collection**

Group photograph and unbound scrapbook leaves containing clippings, photographs, flyers, letters, writings, personal anecdotes, publicity materials, and printed materials which record, describe and discuss the performances, rehearsals and experiences of the Great American Yankee Freedom Band from August 1978 to December 1979.

### **Indexing Terms**

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the library's online public access catalog.

Bands (Music)--Gay

Bands (Music)--Lesbian

Gay musicians

Great American Yankee Freedom Band

Lesbian musicians

Marching bands--Gay

Marching bands--Lesbian

Box 1 : 1-2      **Scrapbook 1978-1979**

**Physical Description:** 2 folders.

Box 1 : 3      **Photograph, Great American Yankee Freedom Band, in front of the Pacific Design Center, Los Angeles mid-July 1979**

**Physical Description:** 1 color photograph ; 9.75 inches x 14 inches.