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Summary information

Repository:	University of British Columbia Library Rare Books and Special Collections
Title:	Queer Arts Festival fonds
Title [otherInfo]:	Previously known as Pride in Art
Reference code:	RBSC-ARC-1833
Date:	2006-2021 (date of creation)
Physical description:	40 cm of textual records.
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Administrative history / Biographical sketch

Note

The Queer Arts Festival (QAF) was founded by Two-Spirit artist Robbie Hong and Black artist Jeffery Gibson among other queer visual artists in 1998. Originally called Pride in Art, QAF was incorporated in 2006 as a nonprofit and the first multidisciplinary QAF occurred in 2008. In 2018, the SUM gallery was founded by Artistic Director SD Holman to serve as a permanent space to hold the QAF and host other events and artistic residencies. The SUM gallery, “is one of less than a handful of permanent queer-mandated art galleries in the world. SUM produces, presents and exhibits with a curatorial vision favouring cutting-edge, thought-provoking multidisciplinary work that pushes boundaries and initiates dialogue,” (<https://sumgallery.ca/>). The QAF and SUM gallery’s goals are to bring diverse queer communities together to support risk-taking art and artists, collaborate and experiment with other creators, and to celebrate the vivid history and heritage of queer art and artists. The QAF has been hosted annually since 2006 at the Roundhouse at the SUM gallery in Vancouver, and has presented over 2,000 artists in more than 450 events to over 100,000 patrons of the arts.

Scope and content

This fonds consists of records relating to the Queer Arts Festival hosted by SUM Gallery. The records are separated by festival year, as follows:

- 2006: Joy Along the Continuum
- 2007/2008: Gender Twist
- 2009: Faerie Tales
- 2010: Queertopia
- 2011: Games People Play

- 2012: Random Acts of Queerness
- 2013: Transgression Now
- 2014: ReGenerations
- 2015: Trigger: Drawing the Line
- 2016: Stonewall was a Riot
- 2017: UnSettled
- 2018: DECADEnce
- 2019: rEvolution
- 2020: Wicked
- 2021: DISPERSED: it's not easy being green

Records consists of newspaper articles; QAF programs, brochures, booklets, and other promotional materials; Pride booklets and promotional materials; legal documents like licenses and permits; music scores; scripts – opera libretto; press reviews and patron comments; artist statements; and internal staff documents like checklists, prep notes, price lists, job duties, conferences, board meetings, stages and staging notes.

Notes

Title notes

Alternative form available

Each festival year's program is available online with additional information about other events that occurred in the same year at <https://queerartsfestival.com/archives/>

Other notes

- **Publication status:** published

Access points

- Textual record (documentary form)
- Arts and culture (subject)
- Sexuality and gender (subject)

Series descriptions

Ref code	Title	Dates	Access status	Container
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-01	File - 2007 [promotional and press releases]	2007		
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-02	File - 2008 [promotional and press releases]	2008		

RBSC-ARC-1833-01-03	File - 2009 [promotional and press releases]	2009
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-04	File - 2010 [promotional and press releases]	2010
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-05	File - 2011 [promotional and press releases]	2011
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-06	File - 2011 [administration]	2011
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-07	File - 2012 [promotional and press releases]	2012
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-08	File - 2012 Soma Paperwork	2012
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-09	File - 2012 Price List	2012
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-10	File - 2012/2013 ["When the Sun Comes Out"]	2012-2013
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-11	File - 2013 1st International Queer Arts Presenters' Conference	2013
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-12	File - 2013 Press Archive and Audience Feedback	2013
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-13	File - 2013 [promotional and press releases]	2013
RBSC-ARC-1833-01-14	File - 2014 [promotional and press releases]	2014
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-01	File - 2014 [administration]	2014
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-02	File - 2015 [promotional and press releases]	2015
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-03	File - 2015 [administration]	2015
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-04	File - 2016 [promotional and press releases]	2016
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-05	File - 2017 [promotional and press releases]	2017
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-06	File - 2017 [administration]	2017
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-07	File - 2018 [promotional and press releases]	2018
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-08	File - 2018 [administration]	2018
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-09	File - 2019 [promotional and press releases]	2019
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-09-OS-01	Item - 2019 [promotional and press releases]	2019
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-09-OS-02	Item - 2019 [promotional and press releases]	2019
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-10	File - 2019 [administration]	2019
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-11	File - 2020 Geoff McMurchy	29 Oct. - 01 Dec. 2020
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-12	File - 2020 [promotional and press releases]	2020

RBSC-ARC-1833-02-13	File - 2020 [administration]	2020
RBSC-ARC-1833-02-14	File - 2021 [promotional releases and administration]	2021
RBSC-ARC-1833-03-01	File - 2006 [promotional and press releases]	2006
RBSC-ARC-1833-03-02	File - 2007 [promotional and press releases]	2007
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RBSC-ARC-1833-03-14	File - 2019 [promotional and press releases]	2019
RBSC-ARC-1833-03-15	File - 2020 [promotional and press releases]	2020
RBSC-ARC-1833-04-01	File - 2015 [promotional banner]	2015
RBSC-ARC-1833-04-02	File - 2020 [promotional poster]	2020