

Alaska State Library
Historical Collections

Guide to Collection

Alaska Folk Festival. Inc.

Alaska Folk Festival Programs and Memorabilia, 1975-[Ongoing]

MS 118

2 boxes, 0.2 linear ft.

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ACQUISITION: The items in this collection have been donated by the public. The collection is ongoing. The postcards, stickers, and button were accessioned as 2009-063. The posters and backdrops were accessioned as 2011-021.

ACCESS: The collection is unrestricted.

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PROCESSING: This collection has been described at the item and folder level. No original order. All items placed into pH-neutral folders and an archival box. Memorabilia housed together in one separate folder. The posters and backdrops from the collection are housed in folders in the MS X-Oversize map case in the vault. See Folk Festival Collections AV023 and Phonotape-15, as well as MS269 and AV032 for related audio recordings.

HISTORICAL NOTE

The Alaska Folk Festival began in the winter of 1974 in Juneau as an evening concert performance by eight musicians, with an audience of a few hundred. The First Annual Southeast Alaska Folk Festival became a regional and then state event. The Alaska Folk Festival eventually extended into a full week of amateur and professional performances and workshops, and features a paid guest artist. The festival is held annually during the second week of April. It is free and open to the public, with an emphasis on providing opportunities to learn about and share music and cultures. The Alaska Folk Festival incorporated in 1984 as a non-profit corporation. More information about the festival can be found online at <http://www.akfolkfest.org/>.

SCOPE AND CONTENTS NOTE

Alaska Folk Festival memorabilia, programs, posters, and backdrops.

INVENTORY

Box 1

Folder 1 Memorabilia

Button, with logo from 12th Annual FF
 Sticker, with logo from 12th Annual FF
 Sticker, with logo from 13th Annual FF
 Sticker, with logo from 18th Annual FF
 Sticker, with logo from 20th Annual FF
 Postcard and sticker, with logo from 24th Annual FF
 Postcard, with logo from 25th Annual FF
 Postcard and sticker, with logo from 26th Annual FF
 Sticker, with logo from the 2001[27 Annual] FF
 Postcard and sticker, with logo from 29th Annual FF
 Sticker, with logo from 30th Annual FF

20th Anniversary Alaska Folk Festival Family Album (1994)

“A collection of quips, musings and memorabilia celebrating the Alaska Folk Festival tradition.”

2003 Letter to George Bush from Tyee, Son of Kahdushan, Grand-nephew of Yaanagootyath, Great-grandson of Goochshiye, and Great-great-grandson of Shu Klax.

Folder 2

Programs, 1975-1990 (1st Annual to 16th Annual)

[Notes from 1975 programs through the 16th Annual Alaska Folk Festival. Missing 1974, 1975]

Folder 3

Programs, 1991-2000 (17th Annual to 26th Annual)

[Photocopies only of 1992-1995: 19th, 20th, and 21st.]

Folder 4

Programs, 2001-2010 (27th Annual to 36th Annual)

[Missing 2005]

Folder 5

Programs, 2011-2015 (37th Annual to 41st Annual)

Folder 6

Programs, 2016- (42nd Annual to) Ongoing

Box 2

Duplicate programs, postcards, and stickers

Series I: Posters and Backdrop panels

Folder 1 *Located in MS X-Oversize Map Case in Vault*

Posters

1. Thirteenth Annual, [1987, Bill Hudson]
2. 14th Annual, 1988, © 1988 Hudson
3. Fifteenth Annual, 1989, Bill Hudson
4. 17th Annual, [1991, Bill] Hudson 91
5. Nineteenth Annual, 1993, [Bill] Hudson
6. 20th Annual, 1994, [Bill Hudson]
7. 21st Annual, 1995, [Laura] Lucas
8. Twenty-Third Annual, 1997, [Bill Hudson; painting on black, felt background]
9. 24th Annual, [1998, Bill Hudson]
10. Twenty-fifth Annual, 1999, [Bill Hudson; poster and a painting on black, felt background]

11. 26th Annual, 2000, Jim Fowler
12. 29th [Annual], 2003, Eric Bealer
13. 30th [Annual], 2004, Eric Bealer
14. 31st [Annual], 2005, Eric Bealer
15. 37th Annual, [2011], Clarissa Hudson

Folder 2 *Located in MS X-Oversize Map Case in Vault*

Backdrops

2009 Alaska Folk Festival backdrop panels (two 26 x 40 inch panels) created by students of the University of Alaska Southeast.

The years 1977 and 2003 are from a set of 50 panels, each representing a year since Alaskan Statehood and the major news event of that year.

1. 1977 - The Trans-Alaska Pipeline is completed.
2. 2003 - Timothy Treadwell and Amie Huguenard are consumed by a bear.