

# Guide to the Radical Sex and Leather Collection

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**CALL NUMBER:** MS 1849

**TITLE:** Radical sex and leather collection

**DATES:** 1972-1999

**BULK DATES:** 1981-1992

**PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION:** 0.5 linear feet

**LANGUAGE:** English

**SUMMARY:** The Radical Sex and Leather Collection includes assorted illustrated publications and ephemera, generally produced by the radical sex and leather communities, documenting the development of a wide array of sexual practices, costumes, and communities.

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## Administrative Information

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### Immediate Source of Acquisition

Transferred by the Larry Kramer Initiative Executive Coordinator, 2004. Transferred from the Librarian for Gay and Lesbian Studies, 2007.

## **Conditions Governing Access**

The materials are open for research.

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## **Scope and Contents**

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## **Arrangement**

The collection is arranged alphabetically by title.

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## Collection Contents

### Inventory, 1972-1999

|     |   |  |
|-----|---|--|
| b.1 | <i>The Book Store: Incorporating stories and drawings sets from OPTIONS!</i><br>[catalogue of drawings, comics, and illustrated stories for sale] | 1992 spring                                |
| b.1 | <i>Bound and Gagged: Erotic Adventures in Male Bondage</i> (bi-monthly magazine)  | 1989 Mar/April                             |
| b.1 | Cathexis  | 1980, 1984                                 |
| b.1 | <i>Chiron Rising</i> , 11 issues [bi-monthly magazine with no issue numbers]  | 1989 Oct/<br>November-1992<br>Oct/November |
| b.1 | <i>Communicate</i> , no. 1 [catalog of badges, bumper stickers, business cards, etc.]   | 1980                                       |
| b.1 | <i>Drummer</i> , vol. 7, issue 66   | 1983 July                                  |
| b.1 | <i>Dungeon Master: A Newsletter of Male S&amp;M Equipment and Techniques</i> , nos. 11-16,<br>18-29 [bi-monthly]                                  | 1981 July-1985<br>October                  |
| b.1 | <i>Katharsis: Core</i>  | 1992 June                                  |
| b.1 | <i>Katharsis: Sigma</i> [proof copy and issues 12-13, 42]   | 1990 Feb,<br>undated                       |
| b.1 | <i>Leather/Levi Lexicon</i> , 95 issues [newsletter]  | 1989 April<br>15-1999 April 1              |
| b.1 | Outrageous Women  | 1984                                       |
| b.1 | <i>Potpourri of S&amp;M</i> [compiled by Larry Townsend]  | 1979                                       |
| b.1 | <i>Ramrod</i> , no. 2   | 1978                                       |
| b.1 | <i>Run No More</i> [by Larry Townsend; original issue and reprint]  | 1972 Oct, 1988                             |
| b.1 | <i>SMads</i> , 2 issues including issue 112 [bi-monthly magazine]   | 1975 Nov,<br>undated                       |
| b.1 | <i>Tom of Finland: Cycle Club Initiation</i>  | undated                                    |

## **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**

Bondage (Sexual behavior)  
Gay men -- Sexual behavior  
Homosexuality  
Leather lifestyle  
Lesbians -- Sexual behavior  
LGBTQ resource  
Sadomasochism  
Sexual dominance and submission