



## Guide to the Patricia Craig Papers

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository:</b>	University of Nevada, Las Vegas. University Libraries. Special Collections and Archives.
<b>Creator:</b>	Craig, Pat
<b>Creator:</b>	Hrushowy, Jillian
<b>Title:</b>	Patricia Craig Papers
<b>ID:</b>	MS-01180
<b>Date [inclusive]:</b>	approximately 1941 to 1989
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.22 Cubic Feet (2 boxes, 1 oversized box)
<b>Physical Description:</b>	1.17 Linear Feet
<b>Language of the Material:</b>	English
<b>Abstract:</b>	The Patricia Craig Papers (approximately 1941-1989) contain photographs from Las Vegas, Nevada dancer and showgirl Patricia (Pat) Craig. The collection includes early photographs of her family, Craig as a young ballet dancer, and her high school diploma. The majority of the photographs of are Craig in costume on stage, candid photographs of her at home, and professional modeling shots. There are a small amount of newspaper clippings and magazines regarding Craig's appearances in Las Vegas shows, and her diploma from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

### Preferred Citation

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## Biographical Note

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Patricia "Pat" Craig danced in a variety of a Las Vegas, Nevada shows beginning as a Bluebell in the original 1958 edition of *Lido de Paris* at the Stardust. She continued her dance career in the *Folies Bergere* in the Tropicana from 1960 to 1965 as part of the Florence and Frederic Ballet.

Other shows she worked in the 1960s included *Casino de Paris* at the Dunes, and then at the Stardust for additional editions of the *Lido* in the 1970s including the *Merci Beaucoup* edition where she was a principal dancer. While attending the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, she danced as a tall nude in *Jubilee* from 1981 to 1982, and eventually received a Bachelor's degree in business administration in 1988. Craig later became a successful accountant working at the *Mirage* and *MGM Mirage*. Patricia Craig passed away January 2, 2017 in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Sources:

Information provided by curator Su Kim Chung, based on interview with Craig's close friend Jillian Hrushowy, 2023 March 28.

"Patricia Craig obituary," *Las Vegas Review-Journal*, 2017 January 19. <https://www.legacy.com/us/obituaries/lvrj/name/patricia-craig-obituary?id=16447675>

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## Scope and Contents Note

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## Arrangement

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Materials are arranged by approximate time period.

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## Administrative Information

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### Access Note

Collection is open for research.

### Publication Rights

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### Acquisition Note

Materials were donated in 2024 by Jillian Hrushowy; accession number 2024-045.

### Appraisal

Acquired by curator Su Kim Chung, as part of UNLV Special Collections and Archives holdings on entertainment history. All material that formed the original gift has been retained.

### Processing Note

In 2024, Sarah Jones accessioned the collection, roughly sorted the material by time period and subject, rehoused the collection, and created the inventory in ArchivesSpace. This collection is minimally processed.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Dancers
- Hrushowy, Jillian
- Craig, Pat
- Lido de Paris (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Jubilee! (Las Vegas, Nev.)
- Casino de Paris (Las Vegas, Nev.)

## Collection Inventory

Title/Description	Containers
Patricia Craig family and early childhood photographs, 1941 to 1957 Physical Description: 3 Files	box 01
Patricia Craig's high school diploma, 1958	box 01
Patricia Craig's University of Nevada, Las Vegas diploma, 1988 August 24	box 01
Patricia Craig and others backstage in Las Vegas, Nevada, approximately 1958 to 1969	box 01
Patricia Craig personal photographs, approximately 1960 to 1999	box 01
Patricia Craig headshots, approximately 1950 to 1999	box 02
Patricia Craig in costume, performing or posing: photographs, approximately 1958 to 1989	box 02
Newspaper clippings and publications featuring Craig, approximately 1950 to 1979	box 02 oversized box 03
Scrapbook of newspaper clippings featuring Craig, approximately 1950 to 1979	oversized box 03
Photograph album "look book" of headshots of Craig over the years, approximately 1950 to 1989	oversized box 03