



## Guide to the Joel Bergman oral history interview

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## Summary Information

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## Scope and Contents Note

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He acknowledges other professionals whose work he admired and talks about his wives Marlene Federman, Terrie Colston, Maria Nicolini, and Valentina Bogdanova as well as his children and stepchildren. Digital transcript available; no audio recording.

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## Names and Subjects

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- Oral histories (document genres)

- Landscape architects -- California -- Newport Beach -- Interviews
- Casinos -- Nevada -- Las Vegas -- Design and construction
- Las Vegas (Nev.) -- History
- Stern, Martin, 1917-2001
- Wynn, Steve
- Bergman Walls & Associates -- History
- Winslow, Carleton M., 1919-
- Severson, Berton Charles