

**IHP Scope of the Collection: What Are We Looking For?**

The project seeks to build the most comprehensive collection of LGBTQ archival materials as possible. We accept collections from LGBTQ organizations and everyday LGBTQ identified people living in the US South, specifically Alabama, Mississippi, & Georgia. Please take a look at the list below for the scope of what the project can and cannot accept as a donation. If you have questions about a particular item[s], you can email us at [contact@invisiblehistory.org](mailto:contact@invisiblehistory.org).

**Paper Documents:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minutes of meetings</li> <li>• Personal letters</li> <li>• Photos</li> <li>• Newsletters</li> <li>• Flyers/posters</li> <li>• Interoffice communications</li> <li>• Brochures/pamphlets</li> <li>• Scrapbooks</li> <li>• Yearbooks</li> <li>• Books: with a specific connection to the donation/donor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Magazines (local only, no national unless containing articles about the South)</li> <li>• Newspapers</li> <li>• Dissertations: This would also include the work, or notes for the project</li> <li>• Interview transcripts</li> <li>• Art: unframed</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signage (acceptance of donation based on size and available storage space)</li> <li>• Research related to the Alabama Queer community</li> <li>• Art over 18x24 or framed art (conditional)</li> <li>• Journals</li> <li>• Certificates/awards</li> </ul>
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**Items & Ephemera:**

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Flags</li> <li>• Significant event memorabilia</li> <li>• T-shirts</li> <li>• Buttons/pins</li> <li>• Give a ways/swag</li> <li>• Banners</li> <li>• Large textiles, (dresses, costumes etc.) clothing</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Protest signs</li> <li>• Political yard signs</li> <li>• Awards/trophies (sashes, medals, crowns, ribbons, plaques)</li> <li>• Non-paper Materials/Promotional Materials</li> <li>• Quilts/blankets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Board games (with an LGBTQ focus)</li> <li>• Signage (acceptance of donation based on size and available storage space)</li> <li>• Office materials (excluding generic office supplies and electronics)</li> </ul>
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**Recorded Materials:** (All material in this category must be directly related to the LGBTQ community or someone/organization from the community)

- Tapes: Audio, visual
- CDs
- DVDs
- Reel to reel tapes
- LPs/Vinyl
- Digital files: Audio, visual
- Oral histories

**Exclusion List:**

- Furniture
- Appliances/desktop electronics
- Generic office supplies
- Items not relating directly to the LGBTQ people in the US South
- National runs of magazines or generic books (reviewed on a case by case basis and considering repository needs)