

Finding Aid to Gay Poetry Circle records

(#2008-18)

Repository: Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual, Transgender Historical Society

Collection Title: Gay Poetry Circle records

Collection Number: 2008-18

Physical Description: .5 linear feet (one manuscript box)

Creator: Gay Poetry Circle of San Francisco

Date (inclusive): 1983-1987, undated

Language of Material: English

Abstract: The Gay Poetry Circle of San Francisco appears to have been active in the early 1980s and included poets George Berimisa, John Powers, Lloyd Stensrud, Charlie Casey, Wallace Parr, Joe Alderham, Jordan Lee, Don Chan Mark, Loren E. Rhoads, and possibly others. The collection consists entirely of poems and short fiction, most of it photocopied. This collection also contains poems by the poet, academic, and disability activist Christopher Hewitt (1946-2004).

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Scope and Content: The collection consists entirely of poems and short fiction, most of it photocopied.

Indexing Terms:

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