

Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies film and videotape collection, 1950-1992

Overview of the Collection

Collector	Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies (University of Washington)
Title	Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies film and videotape collection
Dates	1950-1992 (inclusive) 1950 1992 1980-1992 (bulk) 1980 1992
Quantity	50 videocassettes : sound, color ; U-matic, U-matic S 2 film reels : sound, color and black & white ; 16mm
Collection Number	PH1277
Summary	Films and videos collected by the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies
Repository	University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 speccoll@uw.edu
Access Restrictions	Access to the original films and videocassettes is restricted due to preservation concerns. Arrangements can be made to view these materials by contacting the Visual Materials Curator. Materials stored offsite; advance notice is required for use.

Languages English

Historical Note

From the University of Washington website: "The Harry Bridges Endowed Chair and Center for Labor Studies were created to be jointly housed in the departments of Political Science and History at the University of Washington. The Chair and Center honor the legacy of one of the preeminent labor leaders in the U.S., the late Harry Bridges, outstanding founder and leader of the International Longshore and Warehouse Union (ILWU) for over 40 years. As a tribute to Harry Bridges' memory, over one thousand contributors, spearheaded by current and retired members of the ILWU, raised the funds necessary to endow a faculty chair in his name in 1992. Harry Bridges' unique combination of pragmatic organizing ability, democratic unionism, commitment to racial desegregation, and outspoken engagement with issues of social justice continues to serve as the touchstone of the Center's mission. Supporting research, teaching, and community outreach, The Center focuses on labor's contribution to society."

Content Description

The films and videocassettes in this collection were gathered by the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies at the University of Washington in Seattle. Spanning the 1950s to the 1990s, the collection was amassed for the purpose of documenting and disseminating information related to the greater labor movement. Locally and nationally produced programs contained on these items include documentaries, interviews, roundtables, speeches, conventions, rallies, and other events related to labor issues.

Other Descriptive Information

Individual program titles have been derived from film and videocassette labels present at the time of donation.

Use of the Collection

Restrictions on Use

Restrictions may exist on reproduction, quotation, or publication. Contact the Special Collections division of the University of Washington for details.

Administrative Information

Arrangement

The collection has been arranged into multiple series:

- Labor Institute of Public Affairs (LIPA) Programs
- Non-LIPA National Productions
- Portraits of America Labor* Programs
- International Association of Machinists (IAM)
- Migrant Issues
- Health Care Issues
- Washington State Issues

Preservation Note

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Acquisition Information

Donated by the Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies, July 13, 2013.

Processing Note

Collection processed and finding aid created by Kelly Burton, 2016.

Detailed Description of the Collection

Labor Institute of Public Affairs (LIPA) Programs

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Item		
1	1	CableLINE Launch Special 1 videocassette (60 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1983
1	2	COPE Political Check-off; John Perkins Interview; Roundtable on PACs; Benjamin Hooks Speech 1 videocassette (60 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1983
1	3	The Case For an Industrial Policy 1 videocassette (30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1984
1	4	AFL-CIO Convention Roll-In Programs 1 videocassette (50 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1987
1	5	Union Yes: 30-Second Promotional Spots 1 videocassette (3 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
1	6	Union Yes: Promotional Program 1 videocassette (approx. 30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
1	7	Lech Walsea, Union Leader 1 videocassette (5 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
1	8	AFL-CIO Convention; Video News Releases 1 videocassette (62 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
1	9	Labor Day Health Care 1 videocassette (approx. 20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1990
1	10	Union Industries Show 1 videocassette (9 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1990
1	11	AFL-CIO Convention; Homebuying 1 videocassette (approx. 60 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1991

Container(s)		Description	Dates
1	12	1992 Year To Date: Labor News Compilation 1 videocassette (15 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1992
1	13	Workers' Memorial Day 1992 1 videocassette (approx. 30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1992
1	14	BMW Workers' Strike Rally in New Jersey 1 videocassette (approx. 30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1990s
1	15	Unemployment Compensation Rate 1 videocassette (approx. 10 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1990s
2	16	Union Privilege Home Mortgage; A. Philip Randolph Civil Rights Bill 1 videocassette (approx. 10 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1990s
2	17	Maquiladora Clips: Investigation of Corporate Practices 1 videocassette (14 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1990s

Non-LIPA National Productions

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Item		
2	18	The Pursuit of Happiness: The Amalgamated Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen of North America (AMC) 1 videocassette (approx. 30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1950
4	19	Memorial Day Massacre of 1937 1 film reel (approx. 20 min.) : sound, black & white ; 16mm	1974
2	20	Worker to Worker 1 videocassette (approx. 30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1980
2	21	YWCA Womens' Vote Project 1 videocassette (2 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1988
2	22	The Fight to Breathe Free: The New England Indoor Air Pollution Coalition 1 videocassette (11 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
2	23	Two Generations of Labor Singers 1 videocassette (30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989

Container(s)		Description	Dates
2	24	Skills to Build America 1 videocassette (13 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
2	25	Bailey-Donahue Labor Debate, part 1 1 videocassette (approx. 60 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s
2	26	Bailey-Donahue Labor Debate, part 2 1 videocassette (approx. 60 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s

Portraits of America Labor Programs

Portraits of America Labor was a series of pro-union programs produced by the Kamber Group in Washington, DC and hosted by Edward Asner.

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Item		
2	27	Work and Health; Airline Pilots: Coping With a Changing Industry 1 videocassette (57 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s
2	28	Whither the Maritime Industry? (part 1); Labor's Varied Story 1 videocassette (57 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s
2	29	Building Our Future; Whither the Maritime Industry? (part 2) 1 videocassette (57 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s
2	30	Union Advertising: New and Improved; Legacy of Pride 1 videocassette (57 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s
2	31	Unions and Youth; Labor's Frontline Soldier: The Shop Steward 1 videocassette (57 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s

International Association of Machinists (IAM)

Container(s)		Description	Dates
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4	32	The Story of the International Association of Machinists (IAM) Local 751 1 film reel (approx. 15 min.) : sound, color ; 16mm	1979
3	33	IAM Contract '89: Boeing Profits 1 videocassette (15 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
3	34	IAM Strike, part 1 1 videocassette (19 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
3	35	IAM Strike, part 2 1 videocassette (15 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
3	36	IAM Strike, part 3 1 videocassette (18 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989

Migrant Issues

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Item		
3	37	KDNA Radio: Migrants on the Street 1 videocassette (8 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1987
3	38	KDNA Radio: Wapato High School 1 videocassette (21 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1987
3	39	Wapato Elementary School Migrant Students 1 videocassette (approx. 20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1987
3	40	Wapato Middle School Migrant Students 1 videocassette (approx. 20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1987
3	41	Migrant Workers in Hops Harvesting 1 videocassette (approx. 20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1988
3	42	United Farm Workers (IFW) Rally, Granger, WA 1 videocassette (approx. 20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1988

Health Care Issues

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Item		
3	43	A Better Way: Meeting America's Long-Term Care Crisis 1 videocassette (29 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1988
3	44	Nurses' Strike: Interviews 1 videocassette (20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
3	45	Nurses' Strike: Raw Footage 1 videocassette (approx. 20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1989
3	46	Health Cost Containment 1 videocassette (25 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	circa 1980s
3	47	Health Care Hearings: Senate Budget 1 videocassette (6 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1990
3	48	United Nurses of America (UNA): National Nurses' Congress 1 videocassette (12 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1990

Washington State Issues

Container(s)		Description	Dates
Box	Item		
3	49	Marvin Williams Interview with Jim Page, Seattle Labor Busker 1 videocassette (approx. 30 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1982
4	50	Solidarity Day III, Woodland Park, Seattle 1 videocassette (20 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1983
4	51	Free Trade Protest, Seattle News Clip 1 videocassette (6 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1992
4	52	President Bill Clinton's Statement to the Washington State Labor Council Convention 1 videocassette (5 min.) : sound, color ; U-matic	1992

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Demonstrations--Washington (State)
Immigrants--Washington (State)
Labor union members--Washington (State)
Labor unions--Washington (State)
Nurses--Labor unions--Washington (State)

Corporate Names :

Harry Bridges Center for Labor Studies (University of Washington)--Archives
International Association of Machinists

Form or Genre Terms :

Interviews
Nonfiction films
Video recordings

Other Creators :

Corporate Names :

Kamber Group,
(film maker)
Labor Institute of Public Affairs (AFL-CIO),
(film maker)

Names and Subjects

Subject Terms :

Moving Image Collections (University of Washington)
Visual Materials Collections (University of Washington)

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