

# KRAB-FM Lesbian-Feminist Radio Program recordings, 1971-1982

## Overview of the Collection

<b>Creator</b>	Otley, Shan
<b>Title</b>	KRAB-FM Lesbian-Feminist Radio Program recordings
<b>Dates</b>	1971-1982 (inclusive) 1971 1982
<b>Quantity</b>	6.96 cubic feet (8 boxes including 219 sound reels)
<b>Collection Number</b>	6115 (Accession No. 6115-001)
<b>Summary</b>	Reel to reel recordings from the KRAB-FM Lesbian-Feminist Radio Program
<b>Repository</b>	<a href="#">University of Washington Libraries, Special Collections</a> Special Collections University of Washington Libraries Box 352900 Seattle, WA 98195-2900 Telephone: 206-543-1929 Fax: 206-543-1931 <a href="mailto:speccoll@uw.edu">speccoll@uw.edu</a>
<b>Access Restrictions</b>	The collection consists entirely of analog media. Potential users must arrange to have the material transferred to digital format before it can be accessed. Please contact Special Collections for more information.
<b>Languages</b>	English

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## Biographical Note

Shan Otley was born in Philadelphia in 1946 to a labor union family. She and her brother Bob Otley were pirate radio enthusiasts who used the airwaves to protest political issues of the day. After participating in the Stonewall riots in 1969, Shan moved to Seattle. As a licensed radio sound engineer, she began an all-night jazz show on KRAB. As an advocate for women in radio, Shan held hands on technical training seminars at KBCS and KRAB to prepare women to become licensed sound engineers. She continued her work with KRAB until 1982. Eventually she worked as an engineer at the University of Washington and earned an engineering degree.

[http://www.glbqtarchive.com/arts/radio\\_A.pdf](http://www.glbqtarchive.com/arts/radio_A.pdf)

<http://www.krabarchive.com/krab-staff-volunteers-and-supporters.html>

## Historical Background

KRAB-FM was a non-commercial, educational FM radio station (107.7) in Seattle that began in a garage on Roosevelt Way in Seattle and moved to an old fire station on Capitol Hill and eventually to

Rainier Avenue. KRAB-FM went silent in 1984. Among its dozens of programs KRAB-FM broadcasted one of the earliest American gay and lesbian radio shows in the United States "Make No Mistake About It, It's a Faggot and a Dyke." The program was created for KRAB-FM by Shan Ottey and Paul Barwick in 1971. Shan went on to produce broadcasts for the Lesbian Feminist Radio Collective including the show WE--Women Everywhere, which featured a format of women's music, news, and interviews. The volatile issue of lesbian separatism eventually split the Collective into two groups in 1975. WE--Women Everywhere continued to feature feminist programming while Amazon Media offered more lesbian-focused programming, including discussions of such topics as animal rights and non-monogamy.

## Content Description

This collection includes reel recordings of programs, songs, interviews, and dances from the KRAB-FM Lesbian-Feminist Radio Program, 1971-1982, produced and recorded by Shan Ottey.

## Use of the Collection

### Restrictions on Use

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Donated by Shan E. Ottey, producer of KRAB-FM Lesbian-Feminist Radio Program, 2017-02-03

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## Detailed Description of the Collection

Container(s)	Description	Dates
Box		
1	Interview: L.H.C and Lesbian Mother's National Defense Fund	June 10, 1974
1	Kathy and Cello	February 27, 1975
1	Women in Old China	March 13, 1975
1	Survival Kit Native American	March 18, 1975

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1	W. E. (Women Everywhere)	June 15, 1975
1	Betty Kaplowitz Songs	July 11, 1975
1	W. E. (Women Everywhere)	February 15, 1976
1	1st Sunday Night Amazon Media	March 4, 1976
1	Fem Econ	May 7, 1977
1	Readings and Music	May 17, 1977
1	Ti-Grace Atkinson	July 23, 1977
1	Short Stories	July 30, 1977
1	Future of Lesbian Movement	November 11, 1977
1	Readings on Feminism	January 8, 1978
1	Winter Solstice Show	December 24, 1978
1	Dyke on the Street	February 24, 1979
1	Dyke on the Street	May 19, 1979
1	Jewish Lesbians	May 31, 1980
1	Kat & Jo, Emmi & Randy: Songs	undated
1	Lesbians' Interviews on Socialist Feminism	undated
1	Racism Discussion	undated
1	Racism/Drug Addiction History	undated
1	Skits: Storme Weber, Shan Ottey, Molly Lawless, Jean Richell(?)	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
1	Les Guérillères by Monique Wittig	undated
1	Interview with Amazon Media	undated
1	In studio: Willie Tyson (Olivia Records)	undated
1	Dance Tape I	undated
1	Readings on Classism	undated
1	Lesbian's Interview	undated
1	Part of Dream and Fantasies Music Show	undated
1	Ti-Grace Atkinson/Amazon Odyssey - Movement Politics and Lesbianism and Feminism	undated
1	No label or description	undated
1	No label or description	undated
2	Garbage Among the Trash	February 6, 1975
2	Women's Survival Kit, Women in Country Western Music	September 18, 1975
2	Ageism I	December 3, 1977
2	Ageism II	December 10, 1977
2	Japanese Press Review, Kathy Reading	February 23, 1977
2	In studio: Author Charlotte Bunch with Music	May 18-19, 19??
2	Evergreen Women's Folk Festival Music	undated
2	Funk-Country Music	undated
2	In studio interview: Bebe K Roach: Don't Want to Leave the City, Kalaha Mama	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
2	Country/City Politic?	undated
2	In studio: Songs Sung by Eileen Brown	undated
2	Robin, Woody, and Wings	undated
2	Gloria Steinam and Redstockings	undated
2	Judy Collins, Ann Murray	undated
2	Short 5	undated
2	Children's Recordings, Readers' Digest	undated
2	Spanish	undated
2	Spanish	undated
2	Interviews Janine B, "Coyote"	undated
2	Kat	undated
2	Kathy Kahn with the Cut Cane Ramblers Fiddle Band: The Working Girl	undated
2	MS Mag - Gorgons	undated
2	Lesbian Clinic Interview	undated
2	Berkeley Women's Music Collective	undated
2	Interview OAA	undated
2	Amazon - Alix Dobkin	undated
2	No label or description	undated
2	No label or description	undated
2	No label or description	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3	Santa Clause from Santa Fe	January 19, 1971
3	Women in Theater - Interview Gloria Albee	Spring 1974
3	Shelter Half	November 17, 1974
3	May Day International Workers of the World	May 1, 1975
3	Survival Kit - Local Music	February 19, 1976
3	Interview Gorgons	March 7, 1976
3	Country Women's Music	June 2, 1977
3	The Ballad of Yvonne Swan Wanrow - Annual Northwest Women's Music Festival	July 7, 1978
3	Local Lesbian Lyrics	February 25, 1978
3	Interview - Romance Show	November 25, 1978
3	WAMV Show #1 - Talking WAV and Updates on Cases	September 15, 1979
3	Olga's Conversation with a Lesbian Feminist from New Zealand	March 1980
3	Lesbian Astrology (Sharon)	April 26, 1980
3	Nonviolence - Sharon with Interviews	January 17, 1981
3	Berkeley Women's Music Collective Tape II	undated
3	BeBe K'Roche - Songs	undated
3	Workshop - Meg and Teresa	undated
3	Megavitamin Therapy	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
3	WSK - Short Stories - Gilman, Nin, Paley	undated
3	Porpoise Press, Martha and Lucy	undated
3	Red Star Singer	undated
3	SK L and Mari Doing Books	undated
3	Mujeres Morenas - Dark-Skinned Women	undated
3	Berkeley Women's Music Collective - BeBe K'Roche	undated
3	Rape #1	undated
3	Lesbian Mothers- Reactions, Publicity	undated
3	Spanish 3	undated
3	Super Stars	undated
3	Gorgons	undated
3	Leftist Lezzie	undated
3	White House Conference on Family	undated
3	No label or description - says "Save" on reel	undated
4	Abortion/Sandy	July 3, 197?
4	Relationships I	August 14, 1972
4	Relationships II	September 18, 1972
4	Judith and Shan on "Art"	May 13, 1976
4	Surviving in the Patriarchy Short Stories	October 1976
4	Second Half of Fem Econ Discussion	May 7, 1977
4	Lesbian Women's Studies	May 21, 1977

Container(s)	Description	Dates
4	Animal Oppression I	November 19, 1977
4	Book Reviews	March 18, 1978
4	Lesbian Music	April 1, 1978
4	KD's Poetry	July 14, 1979
4	Japanese Lesbians	September 9, 1978
4	Animal Oppression	May 10, 1980
4	Oracles of Feminism	undated
4	Lesbian Feminist Radio Collective: Women and Science Fiction	undated
4	Women and Madness	undated
4	Ti Grace Atkinson	undated
4	Readings on Classism (Personal)	undated
4	Alix Dobkin	undated
4	Animal Oppression II	undated
4	Matriarchy	undated
4	Strong Women's Conference	undated
4	Vicki Randle - Songs	undated
4	Addiction Part I	undated
4	Addiction Part II	undated
4	Interview with Kathy About LFRC	undated
4	Martha and Lucy Van Felix-Wilde Interview	undated



Container(s)	Description	Dates
4	Gorgons	undated
4	Animals Part III	undated
4	Spirituality Show	undated
4	Spirituality	undated
4	Marth and Lucy Van Felix-Wilde Story	undated
4	No label or description	undated
4	No label or description	undated
4	No label or description	undated
4	No label or description	undated
4	No label or description	undated
4	No label or description	undated
5	Fat	undated
5	Molly/Liz (Future Lesbian Movement?)	undated
5	Survival Kit, Z. Budapest	June 19, 197?
5	Women in Trades	Spring 1974
5	WE Actualities	April 22, 1974
5	Women and Prison	April 29, 1974
5	Stort Story Program - Surviving in the Patriarchy	September 1, 1974
5	Latin Women	February/March 1975
5	Rita Mae Brown - Lesbian Feminist, Writer of Rubyfruit Jungle	August 1975
5	Survival Kit - Women's Evolution	February 5, 1976

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5	Local Lesbians	June 1977
5	Lesbian Poetry	October 15, 1977
5	Science Fiction	November 5, 1977
5	I-13	July 8, 1978
5	Dyke on the Street - Jealousy and Non-Monogomy	March 3, 1979
5	Seattle	March 24, 1979
5	Show WE Everywhere	February 3, 1980
5	Womyn Work	October 1980
5	Interviews - Lesbian Radio Collective, It's About Time, Amazon Media	August 16, 1980
5	Ellen McLlwayne and Buffy Sainte-Marie Songs	undated
5	Laura Nyro Songs	undated
5	Malvina Reynolds Songs	undated
5	Dance Tape I	undated
5	Color, Touring, Chakras - Exerpts from the Healing Workship	undated
5	Protective Legislation and Women at Work Stories	undated
5	Dance Tape II	undated
5	Dance Tape III	undated
5	Dance Tape II	undated
5	Feminist Economic	undated
5	Lesbian Panel, Soc. Fem. Conf.	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
5	Juvenile Interviews - Young Women and the Law	undated
5	Sue Issacs	undated
5	Berkeley Women's Music Collective	undated
5	A Few Loving Women	undated
5	Berkely Women's Music Collective	undated
5	Revolution Begins at Home	undated
6	Sweet Honey and the Rock	June 22, 1973
6	Jan Kravse and Rita Shaw - Abortion Backlash	April 18, 1974
6	Amazon Media Journals - Imperial Fruit	July 9, 1974
6	Jamie Holland Songs	January 17, 1975
6	Holly Near	May 25, 1975
6	Kat and Jo KLCC Marathon	October 1975
6	Surviving in the Patriarchy - Music/Politic, Alix Dobkin	April 23, 1977
6	Feminist Economics	May 7, 1977
6	Art Interview - Jazz Show	September 3, 1977
6	Women's Writings on Racism	September 10, 1977
6	Asian Lesbians	April 1978
6	Class II - Skit, Tokenism, Size/Class, Age/Class, Disability/Class, Sterotypes/Attitude	May 20, 1978
6	Romance Show	November 25, 1978

Container(s)	Description	Dates
6	Lesbian Mexicana	December 9, 1978
6	Excerpts from the Healing Workshop - Stress and Nutrition	September 1979
6	Interview with Through the Looking Glass	September 13, 1979
6	Responses to Racism	January 5, 1980
6	The Politics of Rape - Susan Griffin	May 10, 1980
6	S&M Discussion	May 21, 1980
6	Psychic Experiences	October 25, 1980
6	Joanna Russ Interview	February 6, 1982
6	Lesbian Talent Show	undated
6	Country Women's Music	undated
6	Healing Group Workshop Part 2 - Visualization and Dreams	undated
6	Addiction Interviews	undated
6	Colored Voices	undated
6	Sister Song - BeBe K'Roche	undated
6	Joan Armatrading	undated
6	Women Laughing	undated
6	Class I - Breakdown Race/Class, Sex/Class, Skit	undated
6	Interview - Peru	undated
6	No label or description	undated
6	No label or description	undated

Container(s)	Description	Dates
7	Flo Kennedy	undated
7	Berkley Women's Music Collective	undated
7	TI Grace Atkinson	undated
7	S/F	undated
7	SK Local Women's Music	undated
7	Local Lesbian Music - Maureen, Puir, etc.	undated
7	Class	undated
7	History of Lesbian Movement - AM - Keep	undated
7	No label or description	undated
8	Alix Dobkin - Politics of Spirituality	April 1977
8	Matriarchies	undated
8	"Super Stars"	undated
8	Racism Part II	undated
8	Gang - March 8th Show	undated
8	No label or description	undated
8	Fat Farm	undated
8	Racism Part I	undated

## Names and Subjects

### Subject Terms :

Ageism--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Drug addiction--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Feminism--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Feminists--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Lesbians--Washington (State)--Seattle

Patriarchy--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Racism--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Radio programs--Washington (State)--Seattle  
Women in music  
Women--Washington (State)--Seattle--Interviews

**Personal Names :**

Ottey, Shan--Archives

**Corporate Names :**

KRAB-FM Radio Station (Seattle, Wash.)

KRAB-FM Radio Station (Seattle, Wash.)--Archives

**Form or Genre Terms :**

Interviews

Sound recordings

**Other Creators :**

**Corporate Names :**

KRAB-FM Radio Station (Seattle, Wash.)  
(creator)

## Names and Subjects

**Subject Terms :**

Personal Papers/Corporate Records (University of Washington)

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