Introduction to the Collection

Mr. Norman E. Jones, Jr., donated a variety of museum brochures, directories, and ephemera related to African American historic sites throughout the United States and Canada. These materials, collected during his many travels, provide illustrative examples of how historic museums and other public history venues commemorate the legacies of African Americans. Mr. Jones delivered these items to the Nelson Poynter Memorial Library at the conclusion of a lecture he offered on campus as part of a 2004 Black History Month program on 17 February 2005. The library received a subsequent accession of materials in the summer of 2005. Staff merged these accessions into a single collection as reflected by this finding aid.

Preservation Note

The materials in this collection occupy five acid-free document boxes. While preservation measures may slow the physical deterioration of such items, these steps cannot prevent damage from occurring. To prevent further damage to the fragile materials in this collection, avoid exposing them to light for an extended period of time. Please report any tears or other damage so that library staff may take appropriate preservation or conservation measures. While no restrictions limit access to this collection, library staff will evaluate photocopying or digitization requests on an individual basis to ensure the long-term preservation of this unique collection. Patrons using this collection must adhere to copyright and fair-use guidelines and provide proper citation of sources appearing in their research.

Provenance of the Norman Jones, Jr., Black Heritage Collection

This collection falls under the Local and Regional History provenance of the Special Collections and Archives department, Nelson Poynter Memorial Library, USF St. Petersburg.

Scope and Contents

The contents occupy five document boxes (approximately 3.75 linear feet). Inclusive dates cover the early 1960s to early 2000s, with the bulk of the material covering the period of the 1990s and the states of Florida and Ohio.

Related Collections

Researchers interested in St. Petersburg’s African American history should consult the clippings, correspondence, and audio recordings found in the Papers of Norman E. Jones, Sr., the donor’s father.
Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1  Florida: Tampa Bay Region (1 of 4)
Box 1, Folder 2  Florida: Tampa Bay Region (2 of 4)
Box 1, Folder 3  Florida: Tampa Bay Region (3 of 4)
Box 1, Folder 4  Florida: Tampa Bay Region (4 of 4)
Box 1, Folder 5  Florida: Tampa Bay Region—“Retired Men’s Group”
Box 1, Folder 6  Florida, generally
Box 1, Folder 7  Alabama
Box 1, Folder 8  Arkansas
Box 1, Folder 9  California
Box 1, Folder 10  Georgia (1 of 2)
Box 1, Folder 11  Georgia (2 of 2)
Box 1, Folder 12  Illinois
Box 1, Folder 13  Indiana
Box 1, Folder 14  Kansas
Box 1, Folder 15  Louisiana; Texas
Box 1, Folder 16  Maryland (1 of 2); Delaware
Box 1, Folder 17  Maryland (2 of 2)
Box 2, Folder 1  Michigan
Box 2, Folder 2  Minnesota
Box 2, Folder 3  Mississippi
Box 2, Folder 4  Missouri
Box 2, Folder 5  New England Region
Box 2, Folder 6  New Jersey
Box 2, Folder 7  New York
Box 2, Folder 8  North Carolina
Box 3, Folder 1  Ohio (1 of 6)
Box 3, Folder 2  Ohio (2 of 6)
Box 3, Folder 3  Ohio (3 of 6)
Box 3, Folder 4  Ohio (4 of 6)
Box 4, Folder 1  Ohio (5 of 6)
Box 4, Folder 2  Ohio (6 of 6)
Box 4, Folder 3  Oklahoma
Box 4, Folder 4  Pennsylvania
Box 4, Folder 5  South Carolina
Box 4, Folder 6  Tennessee
Box 5, Folder 1  Virginia
Box 5, Folder 2  Washington, D.C.
Box 5, Folder 3  Wisconsin
Box 5, Folder 4  Underground Railroad
Box 5, Folder 5  Canada
Box 5  Miscellaneous materials