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# Caroline White fonds

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## Summary information

<b>Repository:</b>	University of Victoria Special Collections and University Archives
<b>Title:</b>	Caroline White fonds
<b>Reference code:</b>	SC621
<b>Date:</b>	1983 - 2006 (date of creation)
<b>Language:</b>	English
<b>Physical description:</b>	Approx. 20 cm of textual records.
<b>Note [generalNote]:</b>	Material accessible in Special Collections, library, or public domain has been removed. Consult Special Collections policies for more information.
<b>Note [generalNote]:</b>	Caroline White's thesis is available through the University of British Columbia Library, Call number: AW5 .B71 2002-0603.
<b>Note [generalNote]:</b>	Part of the Transgender Archive.

## Administrative history / Biographical sketch

### Note

Caroline White is a community-based consultant focusing on decolonial, anti-racist, queer and trans anti-violence and social justice education and activism. Caroline lives on the traditional, ancestral, unceded territories of the x#m##k##y##m (Musqueam), S#wx#wú7mesh (Squamish), and Sel#l#witulh (Tsleil-Waututh) Nations. In 1991 she began working as Education Coordinator at the Kitchener-Waterloo Sexual Assault Support Centre in Ontario where she instructed on male violence against women, dating violence, child sexual assault, sexual harassment, dissociation, anti-racism, and oppression. She became frustrated with heteronormative risk analysis used by sexual assault centres, which focused on violence against cisgendered women by cisgendered men, to the exclusion of other gender dynamics. In 1994 she initiated policies and training to support transgendered people who have experienced sexual and interpersonal violence.

In 2000, White became a member of the Trans Alliance Society and the Women/Trans Dialogue Planning Committee, a grassroots project out of Vancouver, B.C. to foster dialogue between transgendered people and trans-exclusionary women's groups. The Committee arose in response to two controversies: Vancouver Rape Relief's refusal to hire transwoman Kimberly Nixon and the subsequent Human Rights Tribunal hearing, and the inclusion of gender identity as grounds for discrimination under the BC Human Rights Code. It was through this Committee that White met Joshua Mira Goldberg, her frequent collaborator in articles and policy guides.

White received her M.A. in Educational Studies at the University of British Columbia in 2002, with her thesis titled *Re/defining Gender and Sex: Education for Trans, Transsexual, and Intersex Access and Inclusion to Sexual Assault Centres and Transition Houses*. Her research discovered that, contrary to common perceptions, many transition houses in British Columbia (45 out of 62 respondents to her questionnaire) are accessible to transgendered women in policy. Her writing has appeared in publications such as *Intimate Violence in LGBTQ Lives* (New York: Routledge, 2011), *Trans/forming Feminisms* (Toronto: Sumach Press, 2011), and *Aid to Safety Assessment and Planning (ASAP) for Women Who Experience Violence in Their Relationships* (Vancouver, BC: BC Institute Against Family Violence Society, 2006).

In 2005, White was employed by the Justice Institute of B.C. (JIBC) as Program Coordinator at the Centre for Leadership and Community Learning. She later became Program Director at the Centre for Counselling and Community Safety. She won the President's Award at JIBC's 2015 Awards of Excellence ceremony for her contributions towards their vision of "safer communities and a more just society."

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## Scope and content

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The fonds consists of Caroline White's research towards her M.A. thesis, "Re/defining gender and sex: educating for trans, transsexual, and intersex access and inclusion to sexual assault centres and transition houses" (Vancouver: University of British Columbia, 2002). Her research touches on discrimination, activism, violence, women-only spaces, gender theories, critical race theory, disability studies, and legal cases. Material includes research papers, articles, committee documents, zines, pamphlets, clippings, and correspondence.

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## Notes

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### Title notes

- **Source of title proper:** Title based on the content of the fonds.

### Other notes

- **Publication status:** Published
- **Level of detail:** Full
- **Status description:** Final

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## Access points

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- Textual record (documentary form)
- leaflets (printed works) (documentary form)
- correspondence (documentary form)
- conference proceedings (documentary form)

- clippings (information artifacts) (documentary form)
- Health and social services (subject)
- Law and justice (subject)
- Organizations (subject)
- Transgender people--Civil rights (subject)
- Women (subject)
- British Columbia--Vancouver (place)

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## Collection holdings

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### **Accession: SC621-2020-028 - 2020-028**

Title: 2020-028

Reference code: SC621-2020-028

Scope and content:

Series consists of material from original accession.

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

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### **File: SC621-2020-028-1.1 - Activism : education, workshops, etc.**

Title: Activism : education, workshops, etc.

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.1

Date: 1995-2000 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains Women/Trans Dialogue Planning Committee documents, correspondence, list of Ontario trans organizations, presentation feedback, and notes from a psychology lecture.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - ephemera (general object genre) (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.2 - Activism : community building**

Title: Activism : community building

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.2

Date: 1998-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains Zenith Foundation brochure, handbill for Intercourse spoken word event, poster for Tranny Pride rally, photocopies of Willyboy zine, clippings, correspondence, brochure for Transcend Transgender Support and Education Society, and promotional material for the Meal-Trans Program in Toronto.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - posters (documentary form)
  - programs (documents) (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.3 - Activism : transgender activist groups**

Title: Activism : transgender activist groups

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.3

Date: 1994, 1999-2001 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains Unlearning Transphobia Workshop schedule, "Health Law Standards of Care for Transsexualism" and revised draft, list of Canadian transgender support groups, document titled "What do I want from allies??", consent forms, Trans/Action Justice and Equality Summit for Transgendered People poster and conference report, clippings, brochure for LGTB Health Day,

correspondence, Trans Alliance Society constitution and by-laws signed by Caroline White, and personal narrative for BC Coalition of People with Disabilities workshop.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - blank forms (documentary form)
  - narratives (literary works) (documentary form)
  - posters (documentary form)
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## **File: SC621-2020-028-1.4 - Articles : allies and equality-seeking groups**

Title: Articles : allies and equality-seeking groups

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.4

Date: 1998-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains photocopies of Willyboy zine, material for the International Association of Official Human Rights Agencies conference (August 2000), and draft discussion paper for the National Association of Women and the Law conference (March 2002). File also contains material from the Intersex Society of North America: a brochure, comparison of treatment models, and handbill for Intersex Awareness Day.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.5 - NAWL : Consultation on Transgender & Women's Substantive Equality**

Title: NAWL : Consultation on Transgender & Women's Substantive Equality

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.5

Date: 2003 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains a list of participants, "Bibliography and Case Law Summaries on Transgender Issues", program, "Transgender and Women's Substantive Equality" written by Margaret Denike and Sal Renshaw, slideshow printouts, and brochure for NAWL.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.6 - Policy examples of transgender inclusion**

Title: Policy examples of transgender inclusion

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.6

Date: 1996-2003 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains policies regarding the inclusion of transgender women from the following organizations: the YWCA, Pacific DAWN, Kitchener-Waterloo Sexual Assault Support Centre, Kingston Interval House, Advocates for Abused and Battered Lesbians/The Northwest Network, the Gender Clinic, the Intersex Society of North America, National Organization for Women, and West Coast LEAF.

Physical description: 2 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:



Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.7 - Articles : race theory, disability, and identity**

Title: Articles : race theory, disability, and identity

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.7

Date: 1994-2005 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains "A Transsexual Manifesto. The Transgender Movement's Dirty Little Secret: Just Another White Good Ol' Boy Network" by Margaret Deirdre O'Hartigan, photocopies of Gendertrash zine, photocopies of Willyboy zine, and clippings.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - pamphlets (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.8 - Articles : gender and transgender theories**

Title: Articles : gender and transgender theories

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.8

Date: 1993-2000 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains "An Introduction to Transgender Women" by barbara findlay, clippings, research paper, and course outline for "Re/presenting Bodies: the Production and Disruption of 'Normlacy'". File also contains the following pieces written by Laura Masters for TransEqual: "The Imprisoned Transgenderist", "A Transgender Rights Manifesto", "Transgender Identity", "Information Kit", and "Transsexuality Bibliography".

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.9 - Articles : transgender theory and feminism**

Title: Articles : transgender theory and feminism

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.9

Date: 1985-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains correspondence, brochures for the Survivor Project, academic papers, and printouts from Transfeminism.org.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.10 - Articles : transsexuals**

Title: Articles : transsexuals

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.10

Date: 1994-1995 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains clippings, correspondence, and brochure titled "Transsexual Transvestite".

Physical description: 6 p.

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.11 - Articles : transgender and lesbian/bi women**

Title: Articles : transgender and lesbian/bi women

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.11

Date: 1994-2000 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains correspondence, clippings, academic papers, and photocopies of zines.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.12 - Articles : women-only spaces**

Title: Articles : women-only spaces

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.12

Date: 1992-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains photocopies of Gendertrash and Willyboy zines, photocopies of "off our backs" magazine, articles, clippings, correspondence, material from Trans/Action Justice and Equality Summit for Transgendered People, "Internalized Transphobia" by Margaret Deirdre O'Hartigan, notes, policy material, and web forum printouts.

Physical description: 2.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - booklets (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-1.13 - Articles : LGBTQ domestic violence**

Title: Articles : LGBTQ domestic violence

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-1.13

Date: 1983-2006 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains articles, Survivor Project material, research papers, interview transcript, reports, presentation summaries, photocopied W.O.M.A.N., Inc. material, bibliography, notes, "Violence Against Women" report from Ms. magazine, and brochure for the Bradley-Angle House.

Physical description: 2.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - ephemera (general object genre) (documentary form)
  - interviews (documentary form)
  - posters (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-2.14 - Articles : Michigan Womyn's Music Festival**

Title: Articles : Michigan Womyn's Music Festival

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.14

Date: 1993-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File documents MWMF's controversial "womyn-born-womyn" policy and backlash against it. Material includes notes, articles, survey results, correspondence, photocopies of Gendertrash zine, and website printouts from MWMF and Camp Trans.

Physical description: 1.5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - ephemera (general object genre) (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-2.15 - Articles : FTM perspectives**

Title: Articles : FTM perspectives

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.15

Date: 1998-2004 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains photocopies of Willyboy zine, articles, correspondence, and web page printout titled "FTM Passing Tips".

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-2.16 - General : definitions**

Title: General : definitions

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.16

Date: 1993-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains clippings, list of references, terminology guides, website printouts, conference material, photocopies of Willyboy and Gendertrash zines, correspondence, fact sheets, and articles.

Physical description: 1 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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### **File: SC621-2020-028-2.17 - General : testimonies and history**

Title: General : testimonies and history

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.17

Date: 1992-2002 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains articles, correspondence, "Reading Ourselves: Transsexual Women Tell Their Stories", and photocopies of Gendertrash zine.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - narratives (literary works) (documentary form)
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### **File: SC621-2020-028-2.18 - Legal : BC Human Rights Code**

Title: Legal : BC Human Rights Code

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.18

Date: 1999-2001 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File documents Trans/Action's proposed resolution to include protection of transgender people in the BC Human Rights Code. Material includes proposal, clippings, discussion paper, and articles.

Physical description: .5 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-2.19 - Legal : Susan Mamela v. Vancouver Lesbian Connection, Tawni Sheridan v. BJ's Lounge**

Title: Legal : Susan Mamela v. Vancouver Lesbian Connection, Tawni Sheridan v. BJ's Lounge

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.19

Date: 1998-1999 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains material documenting two legal cases: Susan Mamela v. The Vancouver Lesbian Connection (1999), and Tawni Sheridan v. BJ's Lounge (1998). Material includes legal opinion and clippings.

Physical description: 12 p.

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Court decisions available through CanLII: 1999 BCHRT 51, 1998 BCHRT 16

Publication status:

Published

Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - decisions (judicial records) (documentary form)
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**File: SC621-2020-028-2.20 - Legal : Kimberley Nixon v. Vancouver Rape Relief Society**

Title: Legal : Kimberley Nixon v. Vancouver Rape Relief Society

Reference code: SC621-2020-028-2.20

Date: 1997-2004 (date of creation)

Scope and content:

File contains material documenting legal case Kimberley Nixon v. Vancouver Rape Relief Society (2000). Material includes clippings, correspondence, press releases, poster for a Healing Circle, and draft and oral arguments of the complainant prepared by lawyer barbara findlay.

Physical description: 2 cm of textual records

Language of the material:

English

Note [generalNote]:

Court decisions available through CanLII: 2000 BCHRT 32, 2000 BCSC 889, 2002 BCHRT 1, 2003 BCSC 1936, 2005 BCCA 601

Publication status:

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Access points:

- Textual record (documentary form)
  - decisions (judicial records) (documentary form)
  - posters (documentary form)
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