

Title:

David Webb Collection

Overview:

The David Webb Collection is a fonds which consists of four series; this collection began being processed by the archive in 2022 as a donation from Birmingham City University. This collection consists of Webb's personal and private pornography collection, only subject to discussion and acquisition following his death. Webb had previously acquired most of his collection via his travels around Europe and America.

David Webb was a figure in the anti-censorship movement in England during the 1970's and 1980's, due to his public status and the nature of his collection, researchers at the University of Birmingham could not find a suitable place to house these films and so Webb's collection has since been acquired by the archive and is currently being processed. The items that are currently housed by the archive are only a part of Webb's larger collection, and consists mostly of small gauge films and Webb's personal catalogue.

Repository: Sexual Representation Collection

Dates of Item Creation: [1970s - 2005]

Physical Description and Medium:

In an essay regarding Webb's personal collection, researchers from BCU note that Webb's collection consisted mostly of commercially available, mainstream VHS tapes of gay porn, which were not included in the donation but the catalogue noting these films were. In addition to this, the majority of the donation consisted of small gauge 8mm films, some with noted production information and others were received without any information regarding their provenance and as a result, the noted number of small gauge films is subject to change following further research. A detailed breakdown is as follows:

- 3 VHS Tape films
- 1 DVD film
- 1 Catalogue
- 32 Super8 films
- 21 Regular8 films

Scope and Content:

This fonds consists of four series, divided based on the categorization of their base material. The exact number of films in this collection is unknown as there needs to be further research regarding the small gauge films. Film content consists mostly of gay male-male pornography, researchers have noted a particular interest in 'twinks'.

Rights and access:

A) Some items containing personal information may be restricted.

Language:

English

Archivist Ty Murphy

Tape Material														
Box No.	Accession No.	Title	Year	No. of Tapes	Format	Colour/B&W	Film Length	Spot Condition	Series/Film No.	Running Time	Inscriptions	Misc. Notes		
1	2022.005.001	[Untitled]	N/A	1 of 1	Video Tape		846ft	N/A	N/A	180min				
1	2022.005.002	[Untitled]	[1987]	1 of 1	Video Tape		846ft	N/A	N/A	180min				
1	2022.005.003	[Untitled]	N/A	1 of 1	Video Tape		N/A	N/A	N/A	180min				
Laser Disc Material														
Box No.	Accession No.	Title	Year	No. of Discs	Format	Color/B&W	Spot Condition	Film Condition Notes	Series/Film No.	Running Time	Production Company	Inscriptions	Misc. Notes	
1	2022.005.004	Aroused	[2005]	1 of 1	DVD	Colour	Good	Film has minor scratches and a bit of dust	Aroused; N/A	60mins	Sky Channel		Production of Gay TV	
Paper Material														
Box No.	Accession No.	Title	No. of Items	Format	Condition	Description of Item	Measurements	Inscriptions	Misc. Notes					
1	2022.005.005	[Untitled]	1 of 1	Loose-page Binder	Good	Personal catalogue of pornography collection	0.95ft x 1.14ft		Films listed in catalogue were destroyed					
Celluloid Material														
Box No.	Accession No.	Title	Year	No. of Reels	Gauge	Format	Film Length	Colour/B&W	Spot Condition	Film Condition Notes	Series/Film No.	Production Company	Inscriptions	Misc. Notes
2	2022.005.006	Homo Ride	1973	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	Good	Colour is slightly faded	No. 1287	Color Climax Corporation		
2	2022.005.007	Homo Helper	1976	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	N/A		No. 658	Color Climax Corporation		Film is sealed in original packaging
2	2022.005.008	Gay Photographer	1974	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	Good		No. 49	Color Climax Corporation		
2	2022.005.009	Sex Terror	1974	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Colour is slightly faded; dust on reel	No. 407	Color Climax Corporation		[CW: acts of coercion and themes of sexual assault]
2	2022.005.010	Mark Vincente	1978	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Colour is slightly faded	N/A	Solo Man	Inside of opening label: blue ink, pen, written: [illegible] GOOD PHOTOGRAPHY [circle around a letter P] / - BUT SADLY LACKING A PRODUCER!	[CW: implied bestiality]
2	2022.005.011	Locker Room	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	140ft	Colour	Fair	Colour is slightly faded; reel is slightly bent	No. 1	The International Man	Inside of opening label: blue ink, pen, written: D2 [scratched out]; black ink, stamp: HAWAII [missing content] VESTERBROGA [missing content]; blue ink, written: DT [scratched out] / A2 [scratched out], T [scratched out], F2	
2	2022.005.012	Forbidden Love	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	131ft	Colour	Fair	Colour is slightly faded; dust on reel	N/A	Malibu Productions	Inside of opening label: black ink, stamp: "MALIBU" / BJELKES ALLÉ 35 / DK - 2200 KOBÉNHAVN N; black ink, pen, written: P	Box is damaged; use caution when opening
2	2022.005.013	Fucking Game	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	196ft	Colour	Fair	Colour is slightly faded	N/A	Malibu Productions		Box is damaged; use caution when opening box
2	2022.005.014	Todd Brocke	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	Good	Slight vinegar smell	No. 900	Bullseye Productions	Inside of opening label: black ink, pen, written: P / poss spare leader?!; Outside packaging: black ink, stamp: BEP - 9, COLOR	
2	2022.005.015	Ship Shape	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	300ft	Colour	Good		N/A	Bullseye Productions	Outside packaging: black ink, stamp: BEP - 1100 [outlined with black marker] COLOR / Copyright [circle encompassing a C] Bullseye Productions / All Rights Reserved. / This Film is for Non-Commercial / Projection Only.	
2	2022.005.016	Dale and Ed	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Poor	Residue on film, scratches	Intimate Moments; No. 2	N/A		
2	2022.005.017	On Your Knees Sailor!	1982	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Tape remenants on the head of the safety leader	Hot Meat; No. 3	N/A		
2	2022.005.018	Street Hustlers	1981	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Fair	Slight vinegar smell, poor wind, looks like there is colour fading	Gay Action; No. 5	COQ International		
2	2022.005.019	Deliveries in Rear	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Poor	Safety leader is bent; white specks [either dust or signs of deterioration] on film, requires further inspection	Macho; No. 5	N/A		
2	2022.005.020	My Buddy	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	149ft	Colour	Good	Colour fading; flecks of dirt on reel	No. 707	Brentwood		
2	2022.005.021	Mr. Teenage Barbell	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	Fair	Slight vinegar smell	EarthMan; No. 2	Cosco Studio		Stain residue on film box
2	2022.005.022	Hot Jocks in Uniform	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	Good	Colour fading; scratches on reel	EarthMan; No. 4	Cosco Studio		
2	2022.005.023	Say Uncle	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	150ft	Colour	Good		Horse; No. 803	Horse		Pamphlet describing other films in the series is included
2	2022.005.024	Shove That Dick Down His Straight Throat	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	150ft	Colour	Excellent	Bits of dirt on reel	Horse; No. 805	Horse		Pamphlet describing other films in the series is included
2	2022.005.025	Gary Boyd & Mike Savage	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Excellent		Series One; No. 901	Stallions	Inside of opening label: blue ink, pen, written: ABOVE AVERAGE / (NCROPA) / P	
2	2022.005.026	Tivoly Sex	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	196ft	Colour	Excellent		[Homo Film]; RP 16	Revolt - Sweden		
2	2022.005.027	I Want It All	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	196ft	Colour	Good	Scratches near opening countdown	[Homo Film]; SS 3	Revolt - Sweden		Directed by Gert Pohl
2	2022.005.028	Male Massage	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	196ft	Colour	Excellent		[Homo Film]; SS 3	Revolt - Sweden		
2	2022.005.029	Gym Nasties	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	200ft	Colour	Good	Colour fading	Colt; No. 57	Colt Studios	Outside packaging: stamp, black ink: MV-57 GYM NASTIES	

2	2022.005.030	Killer & Butch	[1980]	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Colour fading; tape residue on reel	Colt; No. 58	Colt Studios	Outside packaging: red ink, stamp: [circle encompassing a C] Copyright 1980 - Colt Studio / [slightly faded] P.O. Box 1608, Studio [illegible] / [phrases is obscured] film 's for non-com [remainder of phrase is obscured] / projection only. All rights / reserved. / MV-58 KILLER & BUTCH	
2	2022.005.031	Track Trick	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good		Homosex in the Locker-Room; No. 3	House of Amsterdam	Inside of opening label: blue ink, pen, written: P	
2	2022.005.032	Bath Orgasm	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Fair	Film reel is affixed to a piece of cardboard; slight vinegar smell	Super Cock; No. 906	B V Scala Amsterdam		Box is not securely attached; use caution when opening
2	2022.005.033	Basket Practice	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	295ft	Colour	Fair	Dust on reel; slight colour fading and reel is bent near safety head leader	Baseball Bums; No. 1	Nova-Star-Film	Outside packaging: blue ink, pen, written: Nova NF 121	Stained residue on film box
2	2022.005.034	[Untitled]	N/A	1 of 1	Regular8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Slight colour fading	N/A	N/A	Outside packaging: blue ink, marker, written: [illegible scratches] [CALLBACK]; red ink, stamp: [obscured by blue writing]; black ink, pen, written: [scratched out writing]	
2	2022.005.035	Flat Bed	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Colour fading; slightly bent	N/A	[Home Movie]	Outside packaging: blue ink, pen, written: FLAT BED; sticker affixed onto packaging: black ink, marker, written: HOME MOVIE	
2	2022.005.036	Hammerhead	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Fair	Heavy colour fading	N/A	[Home Movie]	Inside of opening label: red ink, pen, written: P ; Outside packaging: blue ink, pen, written: HAMMERHEAD; sticker affixed onto packaging: red ink, pen, written: HOME MOVIE	Opening label of box is torn; use caution when opening
2	2022.005.037	Bruno's World	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Colour fading	N/A	N/A	sticker affixed onto film box: orange ink, marker, written: BRUNO'S WORLD.	
2	2022.005.038	[Homo Ride; Homo Photographer; Homo Exercise]	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Dust on reel	N/A	N/A	Label included inside of film packaging: black ink, pen, written: "HOMO RIDE"; "HOMO PHOTOGRAPHER" & "HOMO EXERCISE"; sticker affixed to film packaging: black ink, pen, written: H. RIDE / H PHOTOGRAPHER / H EXERCISE / [110 encircled]	
2	2022.005.039	Dave, Brian & Tom	N/A	1 of 1	Regular8	Acetate	[196ft]	Colour	Excellent		N/A	N/A		Packaging containing film is broken; use caution when handling
3	2022.005.040	[Kosmo, Andy Holland & Michael (Edin); Andy; John W.]	N/A	3 of 3	Regular8	Acetate	[400ft; 400ft; 350ft]	Colour	Excellent	[John W.]: safety head leader is slightly bent, first two frames are scratched out	N/A	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: KOSMO, ANDY / HOLLAND & MICHAEL / (EDIN) / [written over a whiteout section] ANDY [4 encircled] / JOHN W.	
3	2022.005.041	[Jeff Noll Adventures Pt 1; Jeff Noll]	N/A	1 of 1	Regular8	Acetate	[300ft]	Colour	Good		N/A; No. 88; No. 13	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: CR 9 (NOS. 88 & 13) 'JEFF NOLL ADVENTURE PT 1' & 'JEFF NOLL'; blue ink, written: CR 9 (No. 88 & 13 Jeff Noll Adventure Pt. 1 & Jeff Noll	
3	2022.005.042	[Homo Happiness; Right Away Sir]	N/A	1 of 1	Regular8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Good	Colour fading; dirt on reel	N/A; No. 108	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: 108 'HOMO HAPPINESS' & 'RIGHT AWAY SIR'; blue ink, pen, written: 108 Homo Happiness & Right Away Sir	
3	2022.005.043	[Mick (W), John G, Tony (LJ) & Michael; Andy; Shane, Dave S., Tony, Mick (W)]	N/A	3 of 3	Regular8	Acetate	[425ft; 425ft; 400ft]	Colour	Good	Dust on all three reels	[Andy]: N/A; No. 2	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: MICK (W) [2 encircled], JOHN G, TONY / [blue ink, pen, written: (LJ)] & MICHAEL / [written over whiteout] ANDY [2 encircled] / SHANE, DAVE S. [scratched out], TONY & MICK (W)	Third reel includes different label than described on packaging: Shane and Dave S. are scratched out names; Tony, & Mick W., Shane & Ian (E.C)
3	2022.005.044	[Tom 1; Tom 2; Tom 3]	N/A	3 of 3	Regular8	Acetate	[400ft; 415ft; 300ft]	Colour	Excellent	Reel Two has a sharp image, but appears to have some sort of matte surface on top of the film	N/A; No. 1, No. 2, No. 3	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: TOM [encircled 1] / TOM [encircled 2] / TOM [encircled 3]	
3	2022.005.045	[Roller Skating - Battersea Park; Clint; Ian & Bobby]	N/A	3 of 3	Regular8	Acetate	[425ft; 425ft; 385ft]	Colour	Good	Reel One appears to be missing some content near the beginning of the film; Reel Two appears to have some spaces in the wind, could be potential damage, slightly bent near beginning of reel;	N/A	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: ROLLER SKATING - BATTERSEA PARK / CLINT [encircled 3] / IAN & BOBBY	
3	2022.005.046	[The Life Guard; Hawk; I Will Not Get An Erection In Class]	N/A	3 of 3	Regular8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Fair	All films appear with some sort of white dust-like surface on the reel and have a faint vinegar smell; reel one has leader damage; reels two and three also have a sticky residue	N/A; No. 50, No. 51, No. 52	N/A	Label on outside packaging: black ink, pen, written: 50. THE LIFE GUARD (REG.) / 51. HAWK (REG.) / 52. I WILL NOT GET AN ERECTION IN CLASS (REG)	
3	2022.005.047	[Pot-Pourri 1; Pot-Pourri 4; Pot-Pourri 5]	N/A	3 of 3	Regular8	Acetate	[400ft; 400ft; 200ft]	Colour	Good	Reel Five appears to have two frames scratched out	N/A; No. 1, No. 4, No. 5	N/A	Label on outside packaging: blue ink, marker, written: POT-POURRI [encircled 1]; POT-POURRI [encircled 4]; POT-POURRI [encircled 5]	Pot-Pourri 4 starring Paul, Michael Y, Al, Richard, and John [Brighton]; Pot-Pourri 5 starring Nicky, Alan, Pat & Gary; box is not properly attached, handle with caution
3	2022.005.048	[Untitled]	N/A	1 of 1	Super8	Acetate	N/A	Colour	Fair	Fragments of Super8 film in various conditions; some appear to be in better shape than the others	N/A	N/A		Fragments are contained inside of a [11' x 7'] cardboard box
4	2022.005.049	[Untitled]	N/A	1 of 1	Super8/Regular8	Acetate	N/A	[Presumably Colour]	[Further inquiry required]	Further inquiry required, subject to each film	N/A	N/A		Box containing various small-gauge films, no known point of provenance
5	2022.005.050	[Untitled]	N/A	1 of 1	Super8/Regular8	Acetate	N/A	[Presumably Colour]	[Further inquiry required]	Further inquiry required, subject to each film	N/A	N/A		Box containing various small-gauge films, no known point of provenance