

Tyler Ingolia Collection Of Popstitutes Videotapes,1988-1997.

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DESCRIPTIVE SUMMARY

Title:

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Creator:

Ingolia, Tyler,

Quantity:

14 VHS cassette tapes.

Forms of Material:

Video cassettes.

Repository:

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Abstract:

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Language:

Collection material in English

BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

The Popstitutes were an influential San Francisco queer performance group and punk band founded in 1986 by Michael Collins ("Diet Popstitute"), Brad Kellogg ("Bad Popstitute"), and Alvin Orloff ("Remix von Popstitute"). Tyler Ingolia performed as a dancer and extra with the Popstitutes, and appeared regularly in sketches presented at Klubstitute, the itinerant weekly queer club night hosted by the Popstitutes in the first half of the 1990s.

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The collection also includes an unreleased documentary about the Lavender Tortoise, a combination of bus tour and performance art that brought a coachload of drag queens and queer punks to Los Angeles and Disneyland in 1991. Several Klubstitute regulars participated in the trip. Also included is a video of an early show at Trannyshack, a week drag cabaret and queer dance club hosted by Heklina from 1996 to 2008 at The Stud in San Francisco. A number of performers who had made their names at Klubstitute went on to appear at Trannyshack.

SUBJECTS

Names:

Ingolia, Tyler,

Blowdryer, Jennifer.

Bond, Justin.

Caja, Jerome, 1958-1995.

Collins, Michael, 1958-1995.

Daniel, Drew.

Dubowsky, Jack Curtis.
Frottage, Fudgie.
Kellogg, Bradley.
Klaus, Veronica.
Lake, Bambi, 1950-
Orloff, Alvin, 1961-
Steve Lady, 1971-2008.
Willis, Danielle.
Del Rubio Triplets (Novelty act)
Klubstitute (Nightclub)
Popstitutes (Musical group)
Trannyshack (Nightclub)
Lavender Tortoise (Tour)

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NOTES

Collecting program: Human Sexuality Collection.

SERIES LIST

Series I. Popstitutes

Series II. Klubstitute

Series III. Miscellaneous

CONTAINER LIST

Container	Description	Date	
	Series I. Popstitutes		
Box 1	V-8990	The Popstitutes	1989
		Easter at the DNA Lounge (San Francisco). This event was produced and hosted by Lu Read (aka Fudgie Frottage). The Popstitutes headlining with the Del Rubio Triplets, along with Phillip R. Ford and others. Video by Rapa (last name unknown).	
Box 1	V-8991	"The Mugging", plus Southern Exposure Shower Scene/Bed Scene; The Popstitutes	ca. 1988
		First performance at Southern Exposure (San Francisco). Most likely promotional videos created by Bradley Kellog, Michael Collins and Alvin Orloff.	
Box 1	V-8992	Smutfest (1 and 2?), Popstitutes performance	1990
		DNA Loundge (San Francisco). This was the first of Jennifer Blowdryer's Smutfests in San Francisco. Headlined by The Popstitutes, with special guest dancer Jerome Caja. Huge line-up of other performers, including Danielle Willis, Lily Braindrop, Phillip R. Ford.	
		Smutfest 2 was the second of Jennifer Blowdryer's Smutfests, held at the DNA Lounge (August 1990). The Popstitutes were again the headliner. Line-up of performers included Bambi Lake, Veronica Klaus, Danielle Willis and many others. Both shows videotaped by Sister Aqua Divina.	
Box 1	V-8993	The Popstitutes w/ Blatz.	1991
		Performance at 924 Gilman Street Project (Berkeley). Videotaped by Kevin Gladstone for his cable-access queer TV Show, <i>Striaght Talk TV</i> .	
		Series II. Klubstitute	
Box 1	V-8994	James T & the Kirkettes. Star Trek Video	ca. 1991

		Short video directed and filmed by Michael Macintosh. A <i>Star Trek</i> parody with characters from the original series and the "Next Generation" TV show. Featuring Leigh Crow as Kirk, Zeon Kircher as Uhura, Tyler Ingolia as Counselor Deanna Troi, Johnny Kat as Yeoman Rand. Liegh performs "Lucy In The Sky with Diamonds" to William Shatner's recorded version.	
Box 1	V-8995	New Wave Video 2000: Missionary Man/Somebody Told Me/Copy (Me)/Star Wars Docs	ca. 1994
		Excerpt from "New Wave Video 2000 #5" of Tyler Ingolia covering Eurythmics with a live musical accompaniment by Sean Kennedy.	
Box 1	V-8996	Soap Box Derby/Video 2000 New Wave, Nite at Klubstitute/RuPaul [illegible]/Surf Show	1993
		Klubstitute at a warehouse space (name unknown). Hosted by Diet Popstitute and cohosted by David Hawkins. A go-cart race around the block outside the club, featuring go-carts created the previous week by various Klubstitute performers, activists and artists, such as Justin Bond and Robbie D.	
		Also the first "New Wave Video 2000," parody of the Southern California new wave dance party music video shoe called <i>MV3</i> . Hosted by Deena Davenport. Live and lip-synched performances by many Klubstitute luminaries: Justin Bond, Robbie D. tyler Ingolia, Seanetta, Mark Menke, Sean Kennedy and others. Djs Alvin Orloff (Popstitutes) and Drew Daniels (Matmos). Videotaped by Sean Kennedy.	
Box 1	V-8997	Deena Davenport's New Wave Video 2000	1994
		Might be New Wave Video 2000 II, Klubstitute at The Stud (San Francisco) as videotaped from different vantage points by David Jude Thomas. There may be brief interviews, etc. DJ Robbie D.	
Box 1	V-8998	New Wave Video 2000, Vol. I, II, II. Klubstitute.	1993-1995

		An edited compilation of the shows also listed as II and III in the next two tapes. Video taped by Sean Kennedy and David Jude Thomas.	
Box 1	V-8999	Deena Davenport's New Wave Video 2000 II & III/Klubstitute/The Stud. Sean's Version	1994
		Klubstitute at The Stud (San Francisco). Show: New Wave Video 2000 II and III, a parody of the Southern California new wave dance party music video show called <i>MV3</i> . Hosted by Deena Davenport. Live and lip-synched performances by many Klubstitute luminaries: Justin Bond, Robbie D. Tyler Ingolia, Seanetta, Mark Menke, Sean Kennedy and others. Djs Alvin Orloff (Popstitutes) and Drew Daniels (Matmos). Videotaped by Sean Kennedy.	
Box 1	V-9000	Deena Davenport's New Wave Video 2000 III. Klubstitute. Original copy	1994
		Third New Wave Video 2000 show. Probably Klubstitute at The Stud or at what used to be The Oasis (both in San Francisco). DJs Alvin Orloff (Popstitutes) and Drew Daniels (Matmos).	
Box 1	V-9001	New Wave Video 2000 #5	1995
		Klubstitute at The Cat Club (San Francisco). Fifth New Wave Video 2000 show. This is one of the better shows, most of the performances were live, with a live band. Performances by Sean Kennedy, Tyler Ingolia, Jack Curtis Dubowsky and classical ensemble, many more. Videotaped by Sean Kennedy.	
		Series III. Miscellaneous	
Box 1	V-9002	The Lavender Tortoise	1991
		Documentary of Greg Taylor's "Lavender Tortoise" queer tour for Los Angeles and Disneyland. Directed by Ken Woodard.	
Box 1	V-9003	Bowie, T. Shack. Witch Hazel & Model Stuff.	1997
		First tribute to David Bowie at Trannyshack (San Francisco). Hosted by Heklina, co-hosted by The Steve Lady	

(Steven Price) as Iman-Ch-Chi and a
plethora of early Trannyshack
performers. DJ Robbie D.