

# Museum Department

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# About Me

- Born in Bakersfield, California
- Raised in California (and the Outback of Australia)
- A.B., Anthropology, Stanford University (with Honors)
- M.A., Anthropology, University of Michigan
- M.L.I.S., Library and Information Science, UC Berkeley



# Career

- Local History Librarian, Redwood Public Library
- Principal Manuscripts Processing Librarian, Stanford University
- Assistant Head, Special Collections, Stanford University
- Head, Special Collections Research Center, North Carolina State University
- Head, Special Collections, George Washington University
- Associate University Librarian, Collections, George Washington University
- University Librarian, University of California, Riverside

# Career Highlights

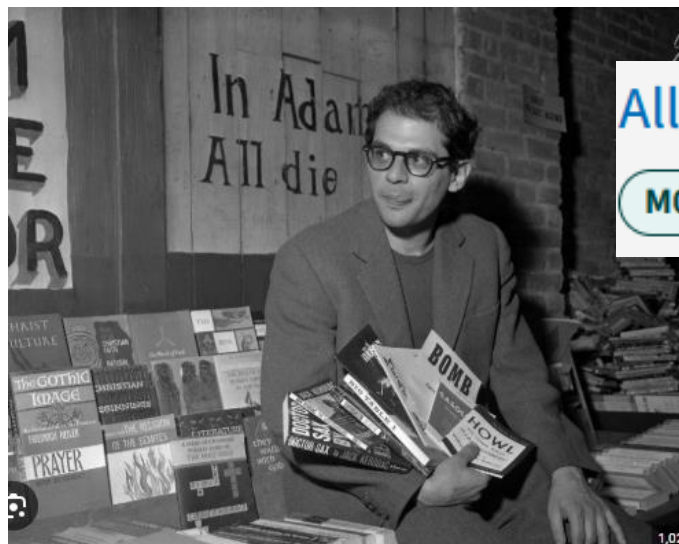


Mexican American Legal Defense and Educational Fund records, 1967-2000, bulk 1968-1995 **M0673**



William Saroyan papers, 1926-1981

**M0870**



Allen Ginsberg papers, 1937-2017

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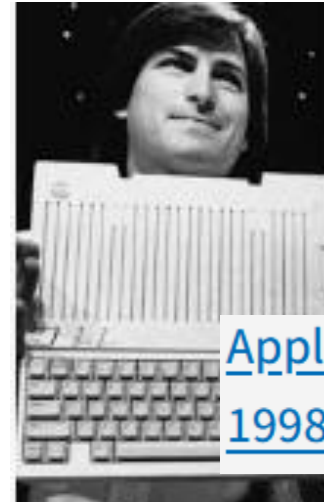
National Council of La Raza records, 1968-2006 **M0744**

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Robert Creeley papers, 1950-2005

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Apple Computer, Inc. Records, 1977-

1998

M1007



## Sen. Kent Conrad to Donate Papers to GW

International Brotherhood of Teamsters  
Labor History Research Center



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- Collection Strengths
  - Japanese American experience
  - Biographical information
  - Cultural life
  - Photographic resources

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- Economic Life
- Photographic Resources
  - Avery Field Photographs

# My Role as Archivist

- Arrange, describe, preserve, and make available to researchers and the public the historic records owned by the Museum of Riverside
- Provide research support for scholars and members of the public
- Interpret collections
- Identify potential gaps in our archival holdings
- Identify, assess, and evaluate potential collections to acquire
- Make recommendations to the appropriate collections-related oversight bodies on the acquisition of additional collections
- Make presentations to the greater Riverside community on the cultural, economic, and political history of the region

# My Immediate Priorities

- Arrange, describe, and catalog the extensive Harada Family Archives
- Arrange, describe, and catalog the extensive photograph collections (1,400 photographs cataloged already, 18,600+ to go)
- Arrange, describe, and catalog the extensive citrus industry collections



# My Immediate Priorities



- Master the Museum's collection management software (TMS)
- Digitize the most requested historic photographs (joint effort with MoR Collections Registrar and Collections Assistant)

# Longer-Term Priorities

- Arrange, describe, and catalog the entirety of the current MoR archival collections (7-year goal)
- Generate finding aids to all of the archival collections and publish them to Online Archives of California and the Digital Public Library of America
- Working with MoR colleagues, develop a robust, scalable digitization program



# Longer-Term Priorities



- Publish digital surrogates of the photographic materials online
- Develop a comprehensive documentation strategy document to guide efforts to identify potential collections to acquire
- Develop Standards-based Processing and Cataloging Manuals to ensure Continuity of Management of the Archival Collections moving forward

# RECOMMENDATION

That the Museum of Riverside Board receive and file this presentation regarding the Archival collections and the role of the Archivist