Dyan Wilson Collection (AC64)

Introduction:

The Dyan Wilson Collection relates to the rodeo career of Kansas Citian Dyan Wilson.

Descriptive Summary:

Creator: Dyan Moore Wilson Title: Dyan Wilson Collection Size: 0.24 linear feet (1 boxes) Collection Number: AC64

Donor Information:

Donated by Dyan Moore Wilson, July 2019.

Citation Note:

Dyan Wilson Collection (AC64), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri

Administrative Information:

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Biographical Sketch:

Dyan Wilson, born 1946, did not learn to ride horses until adulthood when she took an English riding class at Johnson County Community College (JCCC) and then a Western riding class at Park College (now Park University). In 1991, at age 45, Dyan was the only Black rider at the American Royal Quarter Horse Show, where she also won the Open Barrell Racing event. She had only begun learning to ride the year before. Dyan also joined the Bill Pickett International Rodeo in 1991 and won the Cowgirl Rookie of the Year Award in 1996.

The Bill Pickett International Rodeo seeks to educate the public on Black Western Heritage and the role Black Cowboys and Black Cowgirls played in the expansion and settlement of the American west.

Scope and Content Note:

Series 1: Ephemera

This series contains the 1991 American Royal Quarter Horse Show program, a biography of Dyan Wilson, a newspaper clipping, and a scan of a newspaper clipping.

Series 2: Photographs

This series contains 24 photographs and images featuring Dyan Wilson.

Collection Inventory

Series 1: Ephemera

f. 1 Ephemera

Series 2: Photographs

f. 2 Prints 1-24

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Sources

Dyan Wilson Collection (AC64), Black Archives of Mid-America, Kansas City, Missouri.

Vason-Cunningham, Valeria. "About." Bill Pickett Rodeo. January 10, 2024.

https://billpickettrodeo.com/index.php/about.