

North Country Prism
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Background

North Country Prism is a Canton-based organization advocating for the lesbian/gay/bisexual/transgender community in Northern New York. The organization formed in the early 1990s and produces a monthly newsletter, *Prism*. The group's website describes North Country Prism as a member organization for LGBT people that meets monthly and provides community members with a place to meet, communicate and promote self-identity and awareness. It notes that meetings of the group are confidential.

Scope and Content

This collection consists primarily of files of source material for articles written for the *Prism* newsletter between 1992 and 1998. Also included are a few meeting minutes, membership records, mailing lists and other such administrative materials. The collection also includes a sampling of other LGBT-oriented publications, from the 1990s, mostly originating from New York and the northeastern states.

Note that mailing lists and other files of a personal nature are noted in **RED** and are **CLOSED** to the public.

Provenance

Gift of Prism board member Bryan Thompson.

Box Folder

Series 1—Organizational Files

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| 1 | 1 | Prism Bylaws |
| | 2 | Prism Meeting Minutes, Some (1995 – 1999) |
| | 3 | Prism Goals 1995 |
| | 4 | Bills and Financial Info |
| | 5 | Prism Installation Ceremony |
| | 6 | Fundraising Dues—Grant Writing |
| | 7 | Prism Website |
| | 8 | Email Correspondence—1997, 1999 |
| | 9 | Other Correspondence |

Series 2—LGBT Issues

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| 1 | 10 | Empire State Pride Agenda |
| | 11 | Meetings/ Events Notices |
| | 12 | This Way Out |
| | 13 | Dick Armey/ Barney Frank Controversy |
| | 14 | AIDS/ HIV |
| | 15 | Dennis Vacco (Atty. General) |

- 1 16 Healthy Sex Guidelines for Gay Men
- 17 Ottawa Gay Pride Week
- 18 LGBT Caucus—SUNY
- 19 NY Equality Begins at Home—Lobby Event
- 20 National Runaway Switchboard

Series 3—Source Material: Prism Newsletter

- 2 Issue 2 (Vol. 2; Nov '92)
- Issue 9
- Issue 14-18
- Issue 22, 23
- Issue 25-29
- Issue 31-35
- Issue 37-43

- 3 Issue 44, 45
- Issue 62-64
- Issue 68
- Issue 70
- Issue 77
- Issue 81-82

Series 4—Miscellaneous Files

- 4 Miscellaneous files (3 folders)
- Brochures and Pamphlets

Series 5—LGBT Periodicals

The Empty Closet (May 1993—April 1999)
The Gayzette (February 1990—January 1999)
In the Life (October 1994—September 1998)
The Pink Paper (Feb/March 1998—Feb/March 2000)
The Fifth Column (August 1993—September 1993)
AIDS Community Resources Newsletter (March 1997—November 1998)
Out in the Mountains (January 1993—December 1994)
Out in the Mountains (March 1995—December 1998)
Hope (Spring 1995—Winter 1995)
Speaking from the Heart (Summer 1995)
Community (August 1992—March 1997)

- 4 Miscellaneous Newspapers (February 1993—Winter 1998)
 County Pennysaver (May 1999)
 The Racquette (March 1994—February 2000)
 North Country This Week (December 1994—July 1998)

Series 6—Closed Files

- 5 Addresses and Mail Correspondence