The GLBT Historical Society Archives in 2012

- 517 manuscript collections ranging in size from one folder to over 100 linear feet. Largest collection: Phyllis Lyon and Del Martin Papers.
- 199 nonmanuscript collections dating as early as the 1890s.
- 4,000-plus periodical titles — newspapers, newsletters, magazines and zines dating as early as the 1910s, with complete runs of many historic publications.
- Over 70 linear feet of ephemera — flyers, brochures, directories, business cards and related materials dating as early as the 1910s.
- Approximately 80,000 photographs. Largest collection: Crawford Wayne Barton. Earliest images: 1880s.
- Over 3,000 imprinted t-shirts and many other important costumes and fabrics.
- Over 5,000 posters.
- Hundreds of large artifacts and works of art. Largest item: 17-foot-tall Finocchio’s sign from 1936.
- 500-plus oral histories.
- Over 1,000 hours of audio recordings in many formats. Largest processed collection: Randy Alfred Subject Files and Sound Recordings—which features his 1970s–1980s radio show, The Gay Life.
- Over 1,000 hours of moving images on both film and video. Largest collection: Harold T. O’Neal Collection, with home movies of gay life from the 1940s through the 1980s.

Archiving Projects Underway

- Two-year project funded by the National Historic Publications and Records Commission; coordinated by project archivist Marjorie Bryer to:
  - Survey all manuscript collections.
  - Process 50 percent of unprocessed manuscript collections (over 400 linear feet).
  - Post online catalog records or finding aids for all manuscript collections.
- Film and audio digitization project coordinated by John Raines to convert moving-picture and recorded sound holdings.
- Large object and artwork cataloging project coordinated by Ramon Silvestre to describe, photograph and catalog all such materials.