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**New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic
Preservation Videotapes of the Empire State Games 22492**

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Overview of the Records

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| Repository: | New York State Archives |
| Summary: | Formerly a program of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, the Empire State Games are conducted as a series of annual Olympic-style competitions for amateur athletes from all over New York State. This series consists of videotapes documenting opening ceremonies for the Empire State Games and the games themselves. They also contain related public service announcements. |
| Creator: | New York (State). Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation |
| Title: | Videotapes of the Empire State Games |
| Quantity: | 19 cubic feet |
| Inclusive Date: | 1978-2010 |
| Series: | 22492 |

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Arrangement

Unarranged.

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Administrative History

Formerly a program of the New York State Office of Parks, Recreation and Historic Preservation, the Empire State Games are conducted as a series of annual Olympic-style competitions for amateur athletes from all over New York State. The Games are held in both summer and winter, and include two additional series for physically challenged and senior competitor classes.

In 2009 and 2011, the Empire State Summer Games were cancelled due to a lack of funding from the State of New York. The 2012 Winter Games, Summer Games, and Games for the Physically Challenged were held due to private donations and community fundraisers. The

Empire State Sports Foundation was created in 2012 in order to raise money for the Summer Games. Since its establishment in 1978, the Summer Games, in particular, have expanded to become one of the largest and most extensive amateur state-sponsored athletic programs in the nation.

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Scope and Content Note

This series consists of videotapes documenting opening ceremonies for the Empire State Games and the games themselves. They also contain related public service announcements. Many of the videotapes were produced by outside contractors. Beta and VHS formats were used to record the video material.

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Related Information

Related Material

22493Series 22493, Slides and photographs of the Empire State Games, contains related visual materials documenting Empire State Games events.

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Use of Records

Access Restrictions

There are no restrictions regarding access to or use of the material.

Access Terms

- Publicizing
- Women athletes
- Videocassettes

- Athletes with disabilities--New York (State)
- Videotapes
- Documenting events
- New York (State)
- Sports and state--New York (State)
- Empire State Games