

## LA&M TO CELEBRATE 25 YEARS OF LEATHER HISTORY IN 2016

Mark your calendars Sept. 16 - 18, 2016

Join the Leather Archives & Museum in Chicago for a weekend long celebration of our history! Together we'll highlight our community's treasures and applaud the thousands of people who have made the LA&M possible.

Visit Leather Archives.org/Anniversary for more information and to register

If you can't make it to Chicago in September... Celebrate around the world throughout 2016!

- Film documenting the history of the LA&M
- Special exhibits .. online and traveling around the country
- Catalog of the LA&M's history and collections highlight
- Special anniversary merchandise
- 25 years of history website featuring photos, films and documents from the LA&M's past





# SAILOR SID ARCHIVES AND PHOTOGRAPHY COLLECTION TO BE AVAILABLE ONLINE

The Leather Archives & Museum, with support from the Association of Professional Piercers, raised funds to fully digitize an amazing collection of photographs, films and papers from the "Sailor" Sid Diller collection.

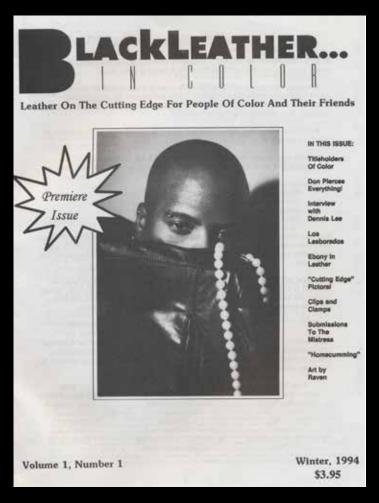
Since funding, the photographs, films and papers in the Sailor Sid collection have been digitized and transferred to stable archival housing. Photographs, papers, letters and films from this collection will be made available online in 2016. A traveling exhibit of the collection will also appear at the APP conference in Las Vegas in 2016.

## NEWLY PROCESSED: THE JAN HALL PAPERS

Jan Hall is a sadomasochist extraordinaire. She founded Briar Rose, the first Columbus, Ohio based women's S/M group, served numerous positions within the National Leather Association—International (NLA-I), and was a part of activist efforts including: domestic violence awareness, sexual civil rights, and AIDS/HIV education. The Jan Hall Papers provide a curated view of S/M activism, community, and correspondence from 1986 through 2000.

What's New In The Archives?
Find out at archivistscorner.tumblr.com





# LEATHER PEOPLE OF COLOR IN COOK COUNTY PROJECT

The Leather Archives & Museum has received a \$17,500 capacity building IMPACT grant from the LGBT Fund of the Chicago Community Trust to acquire, preserve and exhibit histories of LGBT Leather People of Color in Cook County. The grant will be used to further develop and exhibit the LA&M's collections including stories, artifacts and papers.

The Leather Persons of Color in Cook County Project will reach out to collect materials from Leather LGBT individuals and organizations in Cook County. Once acquired, The Project will allow these collections to be processed, preserved and made available to the public.

The Project will use existing LA&M collections and newly acquired materials to create a museum exhibit at the LA&M and will fund an online resource to celebrate the artist Etienne (Dom Orejudos) as a Leather Man of Color.

The Leather Archives & Museum is excited to launch this project with generous support from the LGBT Fund of the Chicago Community Trust.

### **VOLUNTEERS IN ACTION!**



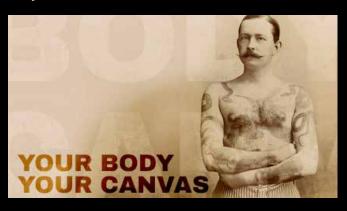
Leather Archives & Museum Staff, Interns and Volunteers - Nov 2015

Pictured: Missy, Alex Tatum, Pup Soul, Adam Hart, Dwight Skeates, Christina Court, Luis Acoltzi, Rick Storer, Jakob VanLammeren. Noah Barth

Not pictured: Steve Bell, Pup Tork, Scott, Keir McCoy, Michael Pacas, John P, Issa, Jack Rinella, Jeff Storer

# COLLECTIONS FROM THE LEATHER ARCHIVES & MUSEUM ON LOAN TO ILLINOIS STATE UNIVERSITY'S MILNER LIBRARY FOR EXHIBITION

The Leather Archives & Museum is pleased to announce that items for our collections were loaned to the Milner Library at Illinois State University for their recent exhibit "Your Body, Your Canvas" which ran from August 31-October 31, 2015.



# YOUR HISTORY PRESERVED AND ACCESSIBLE 24/7 ONLINE

Your generous support of the LA&M allows digital access to our collections via:







Vimeo.com/leatherarchives



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