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Marvin E. Tong.
Centre on the Strand
Papers, 1966-1972,
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The Centre on the Strand, a non-profit corporation operated by a 15-member board, opened on October 10, 1971 in the old First National Bank building. Its first director was Marvin E. Tong, who founded and directed the Museum of the Great Plains and the Great Plains Historical Association at Lawton, Oklahoma. Tong was hired on January 1, 1971. Prior to his coming to Galveston, he was director of the Museum of the Great Lakes in Michigan.

The Centre offered public programming in the areas of art, science, and history. Projects which the Centre undertook included an effort to obtain a statue of Bernardo de Galvez, viceroy of New Spain and the namesake of Galveston Island, from the Spanish Government, and the staging of a Spanish cultural arts month. The Centre offered exhibits on such diverse topics as the shrimping industry, industrial pollution, and combat art.

These records consist principally of the papers of Marvin E. Tong, accumulated while he was director of the Centre on the Strand. The Centre subgroup includes general and inter-departmental correspondence, minutes, files for various events and exhibits, and files of the Establishment Campaign Executive Committee. Other subgroups of Tong's papers include the Galveston County Cultural Arts Council and the Galveston Mayor's Office. Historical Executive Board. Records of the Junior League of Galveston's Project Finding Committee, which was responsible for the Centre's inception, have been entered as an entirely separate subgroup.

A September 1972 newsletter of the Galveston Shell Club has been transferred to the Subject File.



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	1	Board	1967-69
	2	Project Finding Committee	
	3-9	Historical Features	
	10-11	General Correspondence	1966-68
	12	Minutes	1966-67
	13-15	Financial Records	1967
		Project File	
		Proposal--Centre on the Strand	1967-68
	16	Research Material	nd
	17	Press Releases	1967
	18	Clippings	1967-68
	19	Miscellany	nd
		MARVIN E. TONG PAPERS	
		<u>Subgroups</u>	
		Centre on the Strand	
		Historical Features	
	20	Articles of Incorporation	
	21	Background Information	
	22-23	Board of Directors	
	24	By-Laws	
	25	Collection Policy	
	26-27	Committees	
	28	Job Descriptions & Statement of Policy	
	29	Tax Exemption Application	
		General Correspondence	
	30-34	By Year	1968-70, 1972
2		Named Correspondents	
	1	American National Insurance Company	1971-72
	2	American Revolution Bicentennial Commission. Texas	1972



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		General Correspondence (cont.)	
		Named Correspondents (cont.)	
	3	Catholic Church. Galveston- Houston Diocese (re: destruction of Ursuline Convent)	1971-72
	4	College of the Mainland. American Ethnic Studies Committee	1972
	5	First Hutchings-Sealy National Bank	1972
	6	Fullen, William Louis & Margaret (re: Houston Archeological Society)	1971
	7	Galveston County Cultural Arts Council	1972
	8	Galveston. Independent School District	1972
	9	Galveston. Mayor (Ross)	1971-72
	10	Galveston. Police Department	1972
	11	Grunzbach (John) & Associates	1971
	12	Hamilton, T. M. (re: Maison Rouge excavation)	1972
	13	Humphreys Foundation	1972
	14	Institute of the Great Plains	1971-72
	15	Institute of Texan Cultures (Shuffler, R. Henderson)	1971-72
	16	Junior League of Galveston	1971-72
	17	Kellar, Earl H.	1971-72
	18	Moody Foundation	1971-72
		Museum of the Great Plains <u>see</u> Institute of the Great Plains	
	19	Newell (Vance) and Associates	1972
	20	Rosenberg Library	1972
	21	Swann, Mrs. Howard G. (Patti)	1970-72
	22	Texas. Historical Survey Committee	1971-72
	23	Texas. Senator (Schwartz)	1972
	24	Texas. State Library	1972
	25	Texas. University	1971-72



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		<u>Subgroups</u>	
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		General Correspondence (cont.)	
		Named Correspondents (cont.)	
	26	U.S. Representative (Brooks)	1971-72
	27	U.S. Senator (Tower)	1971-72
	28	University of Texas Medical Branch	1971-72
	29	Wright (Frank Lloyd) Foundation	1971-72
	30-41	A-G, Miscellaneous	1971-72
3	1-25	H-Z, Miscellaneous	1971-72
		Inter-Departmental Correspondence	
	26	COTS. Board	1972
	27	COTS. Program Coordinator	1971-72
	28-29	Agendas	1971-72
	30	Meeting Notices	1970, 1972
	31-33	Minutes	1970-72
	34	Reports	1971-72
		Contracts & Agreements	
	35	Elevator Service	1972
	36	Gift Agreements	1971-72
	37	Loan Agreements	1971-72
	38	Owner & Architect	1968-72
4	1-3	Membership Lists	nd
		Project Files	
		Events	
	4	Galvez (Bernardo de) Statue	1971-72
	5	Negro History Week	1972
	6	Shrimp Festival	1972
	7-8	Spanish Arts Festival	1971
	9-11	Spanish Radio-Television Symphony Concert	1971-72
		Exhibits	
	12	Berlandier, Jean Louis	1971-72
	13	Galveston History	1972
	14	Houston (Samuel) Sampler	1971
	15-17	Leonardo da Vinci Models (includes photographs)	1972
	18	Manned Spacecraft	1971-72



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	19	Negro Texans	1971
	20	Paint in Polymer	1967, 1971
5	21-24	Pollution & Anti-Pollution	1972
	1	Religious Symbolism in Galveston	1972
	2	The Galveston that Was	1971
	3	U.S. Marine Corps Combat Art	1971-72
		Grant Proposals	
	4	Daycare	nd
	5	Humphreys Foundation	1972
		Financial Records	
	6	Audits--Annual	1968-71
	7	Budgets	1971-72
	8	Chart of Accounts	nd
	9	Contributors	1971, nd
	10	Estimates--Contractors	1971-72
	11	Field Expense Sheets	1972
	12	Note Payment & Escrow Account--First Sealy Hutchings Bank	1972
	13-14	Reports	1967, 1969-71
	15	Statements	1969-70
	16	Stock Holdings	1971
		Subject Series	
	17	Galveston College-- Ethnic Summary	1972
	18	Government Depository Libraries	1970
	19	Houston Archeological Society	1971
	20	Income Source Survey	1970
	21	Influential Individuals	nd
	22	Membership Information	nd
	23	Resolutions	1971-72
	24-25	Texas. A & M University. Seagrant Program	1971-72
	26-27	Guest Books (2)	1971-72 & 1972



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		<u>Subgroups</u>	
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	3-4	Printed Matter (of other centers)	1959-68, nd
	5	Certificate	1970-71
		Photographs	
	6	Building--First National Bank of Galveston	ca. 1970
	7-8	Exhibits	[1971-72]
	9	Negatives	
	10	Miscellany	nd
		<u>Subgroup</u>	
		Establishment Campaign Executive Committee	
	11	Historical Features	
	12-13	Correspondence	1968-69
	14	Financial Records--Securities (gift from Leon Bromberg)	1968
	15	Workbooks	1968
	16-17	Miscellany	nd
	18	Finance Committee	1972
	20-28	Galveston County Cultural Arts Council	1971-72
7	1	Galveston County Cultural Arts Council	1972
	2-4	Galveston. Mayor's Office. Historical Executive Board	1971-72
	5	Museum of the Great Lakes (re: his appointment as director of the Centre on the Strand)	1970



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