

QUEER WORK, ORAL HISTORY, and CIVILIAN ACCESS



“ Queer workers cluster in blue-collar, criminalized, geographically isolated, stigmatized jobs both because we like them and because that’s where we can get hired. These jobs exist in plain sight, saturating our everyday worlds, yet they are somehow overlooked – invisible. What does it mean to see these workers?

But seeing is only the first step: Hearing is often harder. I tell stories about my work with queer steelworkers, truckers, and whores that unpack what queerness means in these places and times. ”



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