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La Placita Construction Project
1972-1974

DESCRIPTION

This collection contains photographs of the construction of La Placita. The prints included in this collection have been re-printed from the original negatives. The prints have been picked out of a larger negative collection to represent significant stages of construction. Images depict early ground excavation, initial structural foundation work, near completion of the building's exteriors, and some images of the interior.

1 box, .25 linear ft.

HISTORICAL NOTE

The La Placita Construction Project took place between 1972 and 1974. Planning began as early as 1967, with the idea of re-building the historical La Placita area into 200,000 square feet of office, restaurant and retail space in Downtown Tucson as a part of a larger push towards urban renewal. The historic area included the Samaniega House, the old El Charro Restaurant, and stables behind the El Charro building, and attempts were made to preserve these structures within the new structure. A ribbon cutting ceremony was held in May 1974. Companies involved in the construction of La Placita include La Placita Development Co., Architecture One Ltd., M. M. Sundt Construction Co., Industrial Turf of Mesa, and Adams Tree Service.

ACQUISITION

Donated by Frank Hoiles in 2002.

ACCESS

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PROCESSING

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