

ORAL HISTORY COLLECTION

MAIN ENTRY: Ratts, Jim

DATE OF INTERVIEW: March 15, 2007

LOCATION OF INTERVIEW: Englewood, Colorado

INTERVIEWER: Andy Wilkinson

FORMAT: Digital Recording

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: Ratts, Jim 3-15-07

LENGTH OF INTERVIEW: 01:52:58

SCOPE AND CONTENT NOTE: Ratts discusses his interest in music from a young age and the development of his musical talent. He also brings up his current projects and work having to do with music.

ABSTRACT:

CD ONE	TIME STAMP
Background	00:00:01
Kansas	
Church based music	
Family	
Ratts trio	
Radio shows	
Music during adolescence	00:08:00
Elvis Presley	
Ozzie & Harriet Show	
Country music & Rock n' Roll	
First guitar	
High School assemblies	
College	00:19:00
Lubbock Christian College scholarship	
Folk trio with female singer	
Texas Tech	
Molly Pucket singer	
Jan Lamers banjo player	

	Susan singer	
	Inner Ear Coffeehouse	
	Joe Ely	
	The Flatlanders	
	Opening for John Denver	
Colors Band		00:37:00
	National Entertainment Conference	
	Lance Smith manager	
	Move to Denver	
	Recording with Michael Murphey	
	John Cable	
	Marcus Parker string bass	
After Colors broke up		00:53:00
	Writing songs	
	Jimmy Ibbotson	
	Nitty Gritty Dirt Band	
	Sally	
	Ted Cole	
Studio		01:05:00
	Studio work & recording	
	Writing songs for Henry Conway	
	Buddy Holly songs	
	Runaway Express & Woodstock	
	Radio Theatre	
	Television vs. radio	
	Transition from radio to television	
Woodstock record		01:23:00
	Audio collage & transitional phases	
	David Amrith	
	Uniting effects of era	
	Inevitability of progression	
	Bobby Darin	
Other work		01:35:00
	Hometown show	
	Royalties for Woodstock record	
	Live performing in a band	
	Show song requests	

DATE OF BIRTH OF INFORMANT: 09-06-1948

GENDER OF INFORMANT: Male

ETHNICITY OF INFORMANT: