

Basic Detail Report



Title Interview with Shannon Carter

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Description (a) Interview with Shannon Carter. Interviewed by Peter Moran on

July 21, 2022 at New Haven Free Public Library Ives Branch, 133 Elm Street, New

Haven. (b) Photograph of Shannon Carter taken at her interview. She was

interviewed as part of the Connecticut Historical Society's Community History

Project discussing her experience during the COVID-19 Pandemic. Shannon

Carter is a former library employee who has recently completed a master' s

degree in public health. She started this degree during the pandemic at Yale

University, and it helped inform her knowledge of policy and public health.

Shannon has worked various retail jobs, including working at Starbucks during

the pandemic, and identifies with the disabled community due to an

autoimmune disorder. She said both experiences often lead to dehumanization

by others. The pandemic gave a brief glimpse of a society that was more

accessible, more cautious, and briefly more accommodating. The pandemic was

very political to Shannon, both in a sense of partisanship, but also in a sense of

privilege and power for different people, bodies, and institutions. She took part

in some Black Lives Matter protests. Shannon' s mother caught COVID-19 and

stayed in the hospital and survived with treatment. Shannon and her partner

both found community and comfort in online communities and digital

entertainment, and in their dog.

Dimensions Duration: 1 Hour, 34 Minutes, 45 Seconds