

Basic Detail Report



Title Bridgeport and Stratford Cape Verdean Communities

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Primary Maker Carlos de Graça

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Medium photographs

Description Photographs from CCHAP's documentation project of the

Bridgeport and Stratford Cape Verdean communities. 2015.196.375.1: Image

showing Carlos de Graça, musician and owner of the Madison Portuguese Deli in

Bridgeport. He trained as a chef on the island of Sal from a young age, then

joined family in Bridgeport in 1986. 2015.196.375.2: Image from May 1999

showing Antonia Ignacia Ramalho Sequeira with her brother-in-law's father's

mandolin. She is seated in her backyard on Dewey Street in Stratford. Her family

of origin, the Ramalhos, were the first Cape Verdeans in the Dewey Street area.

2015.196.375.3: Image showing sign reading "Cape Verdean Assoc. of

Bridgeport." The sign has an image of the Cape Verdean flag on one side of the

lettering, and on the other side is an ACEB emblem. Bridgeport is home to the

largest settlement of Cape Verdeans in Connecticut. 2015.196.375.4: Image

showing Lalache (Maria de Rosario Spencer Fonseca) of Bridgeport. Lalache

came to the United States in 1985 after living for many years in Italy, where she

worked as a housekeeper and earned her doctorate in Cape Verdean literature.

She has been a devoted singer of religious and traditional music.