America’s Home Front Pin-Up Girls – Oral History Interview Questions

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**Part One – General Questions Relating to WWII & Pin-Up Girls**

What is your name?

When were you born? Where were you born?

How old were you during World War II?

Were you in school?

Did you have a job? If so, where did you work? What kind of work did you do?

Did you see pin-up pictures around you? If so, where?

What did you think of famous pin-up girls?

What are some of your strongest memories from the war?

**Part Two – Personal Experiences with Pin-Up Imagery**

OPTION 1 - If the individual has a copy of a photo (If you do not have a copy of a photo to share, skip to OPTION 2) –

When did you take this photo? Where did you take this photo?

Who took this photo?

Why did you take this photo? Did you take it for fun or for a specific person? (If taken for a person, then who was this person? What was your relationship to them?)

Why did you pose like that?

What outfit were you wearing in the picture? Did you buy it or was it handmade?

Do you remember how it felt taking this picture?

How do you feel looking at this picture now?

OPTION 2 - If the individual does not have a copy of a photo –

When did you take pin-up photos? Where did you take pin-up photos?

Why did you pose for pin-up style photos? Did you take it for fun or for a specific person? (If taken for a person, then who was this person? What was your relationship to them?)

Do you remember how you posed in the picture? Can you describe it?

What outfit did you wear when you posed for pictures? Did you buy it or was it handmade?

Do you remember how you felt posing for pin-up pictures?

Thinking back on your experiences, how do you feel about taking pin-up pictures now?

**Part 3 – Final Thoughts**

Is there anything else you would like to share?