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MS 2001-10 Anonymous  
Lakota winter count on muslin

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	National Anthropological Archives
<b>Title:</b>	MS 2001-10 Anonymous Lakota winter count on muslin
<b>Date:</b>	n.d
<b>Identifier:</b>	NAA.MS2001-10
<b>Extent:</b>	1 Drawing (pencil, ink, and watercolor on muslin; 89 x 176 cm.)
<b>Language:</b>	English .
<b>Digital Content:</b>	<a href="#">Image(s): Anonymous Lakota winter count on muslin</a>

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## Administrative Information

### Provenance

The calendar was donated to the NAA in 2000 by Dr. Tim Tackett. It was found among the effects of Myrtle Miller Anderson, widow of John Anderson, who lived for many years with the donor's mother, her niece.

### Citation

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## Biographical / Historical

John Anderson (1869-1949) homesteaded in Cherry County, Nebraska in 1883; by 1885 he was working for the US Army at Fort Niobrara. He became a photographer and took hundreds of photographs of the landscape and people of Nebraska and South Dakota, particularly of people on the nearby Rosebud Reservation. Many of his negatives are now in the collection of the Nebraska Historical Society. He also assembled a collection of Indian material, now in the Sioux Indian Museum in Rapid City, South Dakota.

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## Scope and Contents

Pictorial calendar drawn on muslin in spiral form beginning at the center, covering the years 1752-3 to 1886-87. There is no documentation regarding who created the winter count. It is believed to have been collected on the Rosebud Reservation by John Anderson.

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## Bibliography

Published in a paper by in the 4th Annual Reports of the Bureau of American Ethnology. Also published in *The Year the Stars Fell: Lakota Winter Counts at the Smithsonian*, C. Greene and R. Thornton, eds, 2005. Also published on the NAA's "Lakota Winter Counts" website, <http://wintercounts.si.edu/>

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## Place

United States Dakota Territory Rosebud Indian Reservation.

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United States South Dakota Rosebud Indian Reservation.

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## Album Information

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## Names and Subject Terms

This collection is indexed in the online catalog of the Smithsonian Institution under the following terms:

Subjects:

Lakota (Teton/Western Sioux)

Cultures:

Lakota (Teton/Western Sioux)

Types of Materials:

Ledger drawings