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Guide to MS 7351 Yoshio Noma collection of Japanese pilgrim temple cards

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 7351 Yoshio Noma collection of Japanese pilgrim temple cards
Date:	undated
Identifier:	NAA.MS7351
Creator:	Noma, Yoshio (Collector)
Extent:	42 Items (woodblock prints on mulberry paper)
Language:	In Japanese using Chinese ideographs.
Digital Content:	Image(s): MS 7351 Yoshio Noma collection of Japanese pilgrim temple cards
Container:	Box 7349/7350/7351, Folder 3; Box 7349/7350/7351, Folder 3

Administrative Information

Provenance

The collection was purchased by the Smithsonian Institution from Yoshio Noma in 1965 as part of a larger collection of over 500 items from Kyushu Island, Japan (Accession 230671). The collection was transferred from the object collections of the Department of Anthropology to the National Anthropological Archives by Chang-su Houchins in August 1983.

Related Materials

Objects collected by Yoshio Noma are held in the Department of Anthropology collections (Accession 230671).

Processing Information

Data furnished by Chang-su Houchins, of the Department of Anthropology.

Preferred Citation

Manuscript 7351, National Anthropological Archives, Smithsonian Institution

Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Historical Note

Senjafuda are votive slips, stickers, or placards which bear the name of the worshipper and are posted on the gates or buildings of Shinto shrines and Buddhist temples in Japan. They were originally made by pilgrims to paste on the walls of temples and shrines as a sort of devotional graffiti. Later they became collector's items.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of 42 cards collected by Yoshio Noma. The cards include the names of individual or group visitors or shop signs, along with place names (cities and districts).

Please note that the contents of the collection and the language and terminology used reflect the context and culture of the time of its creation. As an historical document, its contents may be at odds with contemporary views and terminology and considered offensive today. The information within this collection does not reflect the views of the Smithsonian Institution or National Anthropological Archives, but is available in its original form to facilitate research.

Local Numbers

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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:

Japanese
Religion

Cultures:

Japanese

Types of Materials:

Works of art

Places:

East Asia
Japan