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*Guide to MS 7356 Plates from Korean Games with
Notes on the Corresponding Games of China and Japan*

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	MS 7356 Plates from <i>Korean Games with Notes on the Corresponding Games of China and Japan</i>
Date:	1886
Identifier:	NAA.MS7356
Creator:	Kim, Chun-gŭn, active 19th century (Artist)
Extent:	22 Color lithographs
Language:	Original drawings were titled by the artist in Korean; the reproductions have captions in English.
Digital Content:	Image(s): MS 7356 Plates from Korean Games with Notes on the Corresponding Games of China and Japan
Container:	Box 7356

Administrative Information

Provenance

The original watercolor drawings were collected by Mary A. Shufeldt at Ch'oryang (near Pusan) in 1886. They were published in Stewart Culin's *Korean Games with Notes on the Corresponding Games of China and Japan*, University of Pennsylvania, 1895.

It is unknown how or when the prints were obtained by USNM or the Department of Anthropology. The prints were transferred from the object collections of the Department of Anthropology to the National Anthropological Archives by Chang-su Houchins in April 1983.

Location of Originals

The original drawings from which these lithographs were made are held by the University Museum, University of Pennsylvania (cat. 21574).

Related Materials

The National Anthropological Archives holds a collection of watercolors by the same artist in Kim Chun-gŭn drawings of Korean life (NAA MS 211195).

Preferred Citation

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Restrictions

The collection is open for research.

Access to the collection requires an appointment.

Conditions Governing Use

Contact the repository for terms of use.

Scope and Contents

The collection consists of 22 plates removed from Stewart Cullin's *Korean Games with Notes on the Corresponding Games of China and Japan* (1895). The plates are color lithographs of drawings deposited by Mary A. Shufeldt in the University Museum, University of Pennsylvania.

Included are: 1. Court officials in military dress; 2. Korean dancing boy; 3. Hunters on snow shoes; 4. Kite flying; 5. Rope walking; 6. Top spinning; 7. Spade shoveling; 8. See-saw; 9. Swinging; 10. Kicked shuttlecock; 11. Boys playing blind man's bluff; 12. Girls playing blind man's bluff; 13. Girls playing jacks with coins; 14. Bowmaker and archer; 15. Yut [New Year's game] playing; 16. Dignitaries plying chonggyongdo game; 17. Backgammon; 18. Korean chess; 19. Korean chess; 20. Korean checkers; 21. Dominoes; 22. Gambling.

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.

Variant Title

Korean games

Mary A. Shefeldt [sic] collection of color reproductions of watercolors of Korean games by Kisan

Names and Subject Terms

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

Types of Materials:

- Lithographs
- Photomechanical prints
- Works of art

Places:

- East Asia
- Korea