

John K. Hillers photographs of a village near Oraibi, Arizona, circa 1872-1873

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	John K. Hillers photographs of a village near Oraibi, Arizona
Date:	circa 1872-1873
Identifier:	NAA.PhotoLot.83-18
Creator:	Hillers, John K., 1843-1925
Extent:	9 Albumen prints (mounted)
Language:	Undetermined .

Administrative Information

Location of Other Archival Materials

Additional photographs by John K. Hillers can be found in the National Anthropological Archives in Photo Lot 14, Photo Lot 24, Photo Lot 28, Photo Lot 40, Photo Lot 143, Photo Lot 87-2N, Photo Lot 90-1, Photo Lot 92-46, and the BAE historical negatives.

Location of Other Archival Materials

The National Anthropological Archives holds Powell's inventory of photographs made on expeditions 1871-1875 (MS 1795-c).

Location of Other Archival Materials

The National Anthropological Archives holds Hillers's diary from 1871-1872 and 1874, 1875 (MS 4410).

Location of Other Archival Materials

The National Museum of the American Indian, Smithsonian American Art Museum, National Portrait Gallery, National Archives, Duke University, Phoebe A. Hearst Museum of Anthropology at University of California at Berkeley, University of Oregon, Bancroft Library at the University of California at Berkeley, and Southern Methodist University also hold photographs by Hillers.

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.

Biographical Note

John K. Hillers (1843-1925) immigrated to the United States from Germany in 1852. He spent almost twenty years photographing Native Americans and the landscape of the Indian Territories, California, the Southwest, and the Southeast, largely for the Bureau of American Ethnology and the United States Geological Survey. He began work on the Survey as a boatman on John Wesley Powell's second expedition down the Colorado River in 1871. He soon became the assistant, and then the main photographer (1872) for the expedition. From 1879 to 1900, Hillers served as the first staff photographer of Powell's Bureau of Ethnology, and in 1881 he took pictures for the United States Geological Survey.

Scope and Contents

Photographs depicting a village, people, and rock formations in or near the Hopi village of Oraibi. The small albumen prints are the same as those normally used to make stereographs.

Local Call Number(s)

NAA Photo Lot 83-18

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Hopi Pueblo Indians of North America -- Southwest, New

Cultures:

Hopi Pueblo Indians of North America -- Southwest, New

Types of Materials:

Photographs

Places:

Arizona Oraibi (Ariz.)