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Nellie Mae Whitted photographs of Acomita and
Indians of the American Southwest, circa 1938-1941

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Anthropological Archives
Title:	Nellie Mae Whitted photographs of Acomita and Indians of the American Southwest
Identifier:	NAA.PhotoLot.98-75
Date:	circa 1938-1941
Extent:	22 Items (22 prints, postcards and greeting cards; color halftone) 36 Prints (silver gelatin (some on postcard stock))
Creator:	Whitted, Nellie Mae
Language:	English

Administrative Information

Provenance

Donated by Nellie Mae Whitted through Candace Greene, circa 1992.

Location of Other Archival Materials

Pottery, dolls, baskets, and other artifacts given to Whitted by students in Acomita held in the Department of Anthropology collections in accession 390889.

Preferred Citation

Photo Lot 98-75, Nellie Mae Whitted photographs of Acomita and Indians of the American Southwest, 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.

Biographical Note

Nellie Mae Whitted taught at the Acomita Day School set up by the Bureau of Indian Affairs in Pueblo of Acoma, New Mexico, circa 1938-1941.

Scope and Contents

Photographs made by Nellie Mae Whitted in Paguote (1939) and Acoma, New Mexico. They include images of Acoma day school and its students and teachers, as well as houses and Eagle dancers. The collection also includes postcards and commercial prints relating to Navajo Indians, Santo Domingo Pueblo, Santa Clara Pueblo, Ildefonso Pueblo, Taos Pueblo, and Laguna Pueblo. There are also Christmas cards with reproductions of paintings by Joni Falk and other artists and some correspondence to Whitted.

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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:

- Acoma Indians
- Handicraft
- Indian dance -- North America
- Indians of North America -- Southwest, New
- Laguna Indians
- Navajo Indians
- San Ildefonso (N.M.)
- Schools
- Taos Indians
- Tewa Indians

Cultures:

- Acoma Indians
- Indians of North America -- Southwest, New
- Laguna Indians
- Navajo Indians
- San Ildefonso (N.M.)
- Taos Indians
- Tewa Indians

Types of Materials:

- Photographs

Geographic Names:

- Acoma (N.M.)
- Pueblo of Laguna (N.M.)
- Taos Pueblo (N.M.)

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San Ildefonso