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Collection Overview

Repository:	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
Title:	Musical Instrument Recording Session Photoprint
Date:	circa 1900
Identifier:	NMAH.AC.0194
Creator:	Gray & Wynkoop (Photographer)
Extent:	0.1 Cubic feet (1 box)
Language:	English .
Summary:	Collection is a photoprint of an early recording session taken about 1900.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

Purchased by the Division of Musical Instruments, now part of the Division of Music, Sports and Entertainment from Keith DeLellis in 1985.

Provenance

This photograph and the Leedy Manufacturing Co. album (collection #188) were purchased together by the Division of Musical Instruments (now Division of Cultural and Community Life) from a dealer of photographic items. The collection was transferred to the Archives Center in 1985.

Processing Information

Collection processed by David Haberstick, 1998

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Biographical / Historical

Print by Gray & Wynkoop of Paterson, New Jersey.

Scope and Contents

The photoprint, probably gelatin silver bromide, is on pink tinted paper, mounted on a small board with a wrinkled, frayed, red ribbon adhered to the upper left corner. The image depicts a sound recording session with an Edison recording machine and five men, three seated, holding two mandolins and a zither. The photographic studio's blind-stamp, including address (256 Main Street, Paterson, New Jersey) is on the mount.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Mandolin -- 1900-1910
- Musical instruments -- 1900-1910
- Musicians -- 1900-1950
- Zither -- 1900-1910

Types of Materials:

- Photographs -- 1900-1950
- Sound recordings -- 1900-1910

Names:

- Edison, Thomas A. (Thomas Alva), 1847-1931

Places:

- Paterson (N.J.) -- 1900-1910

Container Listing

Box 1, Folder 1

Musical instrument recording session photoprint, circa 1900, circa 1900