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## Guide to the African American Portrait Tintypes

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## Collection Overview

<b>Repository:</b>	Archives Center, National Museum of American History
<b>Title:</b>	African American Portrait Tintypes
<b>Date:</b>	circa 1865-1900
<b>Identifier:</b>	NMAH.AC.0515
<b>Creator:</b>	Ahlborn, Richard E., 1933-2015
<b>Extent:</b>	2 Items
<b>Language:</b>	English .

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## Administrative Information

### Acquisition Information

Purchased by Richard Ahlborn, February 1990 from a dealer in Lyons, Colorado, who believed the tintypes were taken in Colorado. Gift of Mr. Ahlborn to the Archives Center.

### Processing Information

Collection processed by Heather Van Horn, 6/27/94.

### Preferred Citation

African American Portrait Tintypes, ca. 1880-1900, Archives Center, National Museum of American History.

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## Biographical / Historical

Nothing is known about the subjects of the photographs, their origin, or circumstances. Neither photograph is captioned, and the photographer is unidentified.

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## Scope and Contents

Two small portrait busts of young African American men or boys. One wears a jacket and tie. The other tintype, in somewhat worse condition, is bent and abraded and has a hole in the top, and shows a young man wearing a broad-brimmed hat, vest, and jacket, no tie.

No indication of photographer's identity.

## Arrangement

Collection is arranged into one series.

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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:

- African Americans -- 1880-1900
- Hats -- 1880-1900 -- Colorado
- Vests -- 1880-1900 -- Colorado
- Youths -- African American -- 1880-1900 -- Colorado

### Types of Materials:

- Portraits -- African American men
- Tintypes -- 1880-1900

### Places:

- Colorado -- African Americans -- 1880-1900

## Container Listing

Folder 1	African American Portrait , 1800-1900 2 Tintypes (japanned iron plates, silver collodion ; 1 1/2" x 1")
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