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Ella Clark collection of American Indian Educational filmstrips

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Collection Overview

Repository:	National Museum of the American Indian
Title:	Ella Clark collection of American Indian Educational filmstrips
Identifier:	NMAI.AC.382
Date:	circa 1970-1984
Extent:	20 Linear feet
Creator:	Clark, Ella Troll Associates Coronet (Firm) January Productions Educational Dimensions Group Eye Gate Media Clearvue, inc. Centron Educational Films Society for Visual Education Universal Education and Visual Arts Rand McNally and Company
Language:	English
Summary:	This collection contains American Indian educational filmstrips and associated teacher's guides and other materials from circa 1970-1984. They were collected by Ella Clark, a schoolteacher in Oklahoma.

Administrative Information

Acquisition Information

This collection was donated in 2005 to NMAI by Ross Byington, a US Department of Education employee who obtained the materials from Ella Clark, a teacher in Oklahoma who collected these materials during her career.

Processing Information

Collection processed by Emily Moazami, Supervisory Archivist, 2019.

Preferred Citation

Identification of specific item; Date (if known); Ella Clark collection of American Indian Educational filmstrips, box # and folder #, NMAI.AC.382; National Museum of the American Indian Archives Center, Smithsonian Institution.

Restrictions

The original filmstrips and audio cassettes are restricted due to condition. Textual material is accessible by appointment only, Monday - Friday, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm. Please contact the archives to make an appointment.

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Biographical / Historical

Ella Clark was a teacher in Wagoner, Oklahoma (not to be confused with Ella E. Clark, who studied the oral histories of Indigenous people of North America). Little else is known about Ella Clark's biography.

Scope and Contents

This collection contains educational filmstrips and accompanying audio cassettes pertaining to the history and culture of American Indians. The collection also contains associated teacher guides, scripts, quizzes, and filmstrip viewing equipment. The materials were published from circa 1970-1984.

Arrangement

This collection is intellectually arranged in two series. Series 1: Filmstrips and associated materials and Series 2: Filmstrip viewers. The filmstrips in series 1 are first organized by publisher, then by date. The materials in this collection have been physically separated for preservation purposes. The original filmstrip boxes are located in archival record center boxes 1-5; the filmstrips and sound cassettes are located in boxes 6-18; and the textual material is located in box 19.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

Audio-visual education
Indians of North America

Types of Materials:

Filmstrips

Container Listing

Series 1: Filmstrips and associated materials

This series contains educational filmstrips and accompanying audio cassettes pertaining to the history and culture of American Indians. The collection also contains associated teacher guides, scripts, and quizzes.

The filmstrips were published circa 1970-1984 by various publishers including Troll Associates; Coronet Media; Encyclopedia Britannica; January Productions; Educational Dimensions Group; Eye Gate Media, Inc.; Clearvue, Inc.; Office of Indian Education; Centron Education Films; Society for Visual Education; Universal Education and Visual Arts; Croft; Rand McNally and Co.; and The New York Times.

Some materials have school years written on them, which probably indicates when the filmstrips were acquired or shown to classes. These are not the copyright dates.

- Box 6 Title 1: *Indian Celebrations*, circa 1970-1979
 1 film positive
 Indian Celebrations published by Troll Associates. Contains 1 filmstrip.
- 1.1: *Indian Celebrations*, circa 1970-1979
 1 film positive
- Box 1;
Box 6 Title 2: *Chiefs and Leaders*, 1971
 8 Sound cassettes
 Chiefs and Leaders published by Troll Associates. Contains 8 audio cassettes.
- 2.1: *Pontiac*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.2: *Squato*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.3: *Osceloa*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.4: *Tecumseh*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.5: *Sacagawea*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.6: *Sequoyah*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.7: *Sitting Bull*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- 2.8: *Pocahontas*, 1971
 1 Sound cassette
- Box 1; Title 3: *Indian Tribes*, 1971

Box 6

10 Cassettes

Indian Tribes published by Troll Associates. Contains 10 audio cassettes.

3.1: *Cherokee*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.2: *Choctaw*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.3: *Crow*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.4: *Hopi-Pueblo*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.5: *Iroquois*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.6: *Pawnee*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.7: *Seminole*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.8: *Shoshone*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.9: *Sioux*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

3.10: *Tlingit*, 1971
1 *Sound cassette*

Box 7

Title 4: *American Indian Nature Legends*, 1974

5 *Sound cassettes*

5 *film positives*

American Indian Nature Legends published by Troll Associates. Contains 5 filmstrips and 5 sound cassettes.

4.1: *Animal Mysteries*, 1974
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

4.2: *The Answering Universe*, 1974
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

4.3: *Creatures of the River*, 1974
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

4.4: *The Search for Buffalo*, 1974

1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

4.5: *Thunder Spirits*, 1974
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

Box 7;
Box 8;
Box 19, Folder 1

Title 5: *Indian Heritage*, 1975
16 *film positives*
1 *Folder*

Indian Heritage published by Troll Associates. Contains 2 copies each with 8 filmstrips and a teacher's guide.

5.1: *Americans Before Columbus*, 1975
2 *film positives*

5.2: *Indian Celebrations*, 1975
2 *film positives*

5.3: *Indian Children*, 1975
2 *film positives*

5.4: *Indian Homes*, 1975
2 *film positives*

5.5: *Indian Legends*, 1975
2 *film positives*

5.6: *Indians Who Showed the Way*, 1975
2 *film positives*

Box 8

Title 6: *First Americans*, 1977
6 *Sound cassettes*
6 *film positives*

First Americans published by Troll Associates. Contains 6 filmstrips and 6 sound cassettes.

6.1: *Indians of the Great Lakes*, 1977
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

6.2: *Indians of the Northeast*, 1977
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

6.3: *Indians of the Northwest*, 1977
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

6.4: *Indians of the Plains*, 1977
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

6.5: *Indians of the Southeast*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

6.6: *Indians of the Southwest*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 1;
Box 9;
Box 10;
Box 19, Folder 2

Title 7: *Great American Indian Heroes*, 1977
16 Sound cassettes
16 film positives
1 Folder

Great American Indian Heroes published by Troll Associates. NMAI holds 2 copies each with 8 filmstrips, 8 sound cassettes, and a teacher's guide.

7.1: *Black Hawk, Mississippi Warrior*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.2: *Chief Joseph of the Nez Perce*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.3: *Geronimo, the Hunter and the Hunted*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.4: *Joseph Brant of the Mohawks*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.5: *Osceola the Unconquered*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.6: *Pontiac of the Great Lakes*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.7: *Sitting Bull, Leader of the Sioux*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

7.8: *Tecumseh of the Shawnees*, 1977
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

Box 11

Title 8: *Chief Joseph, Leader of Destiny*, 1979
1 Sound cassette

Chief Joseph, Leader of Destiny published by Troll Associates. Contains 1 sound cassette.

8.1: *Chief Joseph, Leader of Destiny*, 1979

1 Sound cassette

Box 11

Title 9: *Sequoyah, Cherokee Hero*, 1979*Sequoyah, Cherokee Hero* by Troll Associates. Contains 1 sound cassette.9.1: *Sequoyah, Cherokee Hero*, 1979*1 Sound cassette*

Box 11

Title 10: *Sitting Bull, Warrior of the Sioux*, 1979*Sitting Bull, Warrior of the Sioux* published by Troll Associates. Contains 1 sound cassette.10.1: *Sitting Bull, Warrior of the Sioux*, 1979*1 Sound cassette*

Box 2;

Box 11;

Box 19, Folder 3

Title 11: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast*, circa 1972*6 Sound cassettes**6 film positives**1 Folder**American Indians of the North Pacific Coast* published by Coronet Media. Contains 6 filmstrips, 6 sound cassettes, and a filmstrip guide.11.1: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast: Arts and Crafts*, circa 1972*1 Sound cassette*11.2: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast: How They Changed*, circa 1972*1 Sound cassette*11.3: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast: How They Lived*, circa 1972*1 Sound cassette*11.4: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast: Lands and Tribes*, circa 1972*1 Sound cassette*11.5: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast: Myths and Ceremonies*, circa 1972*1 Sound cassette*11.6: *American Indians of the North Pacific Coast: Their Life Today*, circa 1972*1 Sound cassette*

Box 2;

Box 12;

Box 19, Folder 4

Title 12: *American Indians of the Plains*, 1972*6 Sound cassettes**6 film positives**1 Folder**American Indians of the Plains* published by Coronet Media. Contains 6 filmstrips, 6 audio cassettes, and a filmstrip guide.12.1: *American Indians of the Plains: How They Lived*, 1972

1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

12.2: *American Indians of the Plains: Their Arts and Crafts, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

12.3: *American Indians of the Plains: Their History, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

12.4: *American Indians of the Plains: Their Life Today, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

12.5: *American Indians of the Plains: Their Religion, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

12.6: *American Indians of the Plains: Who They Are, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

Box 2;
Box 12

Title 13: *American Indians of the Southeast, 1972*
6 *Sound cassettes*
6 *film positives*

American Indians of the Southeast published by Coronet Media. Contains 6 filmstrips and 6 cassettes.

13.1: *American Indians of the Southeast: How They Lived, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

13.2: *American Indians of the Southeast: Their Handicrafts, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

13.3: *American Indians of the Southeast: Their History, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

13.4: *American Indians of the Southeast: Their Life Today, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

13.5: *American Indians of the Southeast: Their Religion, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

13.6: *American Indians of the Southeast: Who They Are, 1972*
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

Box 2;
Box 13

Title 14: *American Indians of the Southwest*, circa 1972
6 Sound cassettes
6 film positives

American Indians of the Southwest published by Coronet Media. Contains 6 filmstrips and 6 audio cassettes.

14.1: *American Indians of the Southwest: Their Handicrafts*, 1972
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

14.2: *American Indians of the Southwest: Their History*, 1972
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

14.3: *American Indians of the Southwest: Their Homes*, 1972
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

14.4: *American Indians of the Southwest: Their Life Today*, 1972
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

14.5: *American Indians of the Southwest: Their Religion*, 1972
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

14.6: *American Indians of the Southwest: Who They Are*, 1972
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 3;
Box 13;
Box 19, Folder 5

Title 15: *American Indian Legends*, 1971
6 Sound cassettes
6 film positives
1 Folder

American Indian Legends published by Encyclopedia Britannica, Educational Corporation. Contains 6 filmstrips, 6 audio cassettes, and library catalog cards.

15.1: *How Corn Came to the Choctaws*, 1971
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

15.2: *How Mother Possum Got Her Pouch*, 1971
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

15.3: *How the Woodpecker Got His Feathers*, 1971
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

15.4: *The Ptarmigan's Beak*, 1971
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

15.5: *Saynday and the Gambler*, 1971
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

15.6: *The Wild Rose*, 1971
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 4;
Box 14;
Box 19, Folder 7

Title 16: *Stories Told by Native Americans*, 1977
4 Sound cassettes
4 film positives
1 Folder

Stories Told by American Indians published by Encyclopedia Britannica. Contains 4 filmstrips, 4 audio cassettes, a teacher's guide, and library catalog cards.

16.1: *Half Man, Half Bear (Iroquois)*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

16.2: *How Indians Came to Own Horses (Pawnee)*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

16.3: *How Raven Brought Fire (Kwakiutl)*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

16.4: *Journey to Moska (Hopi)*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 3;
Box 14;
Box 19, Folder 6

Title 17: *Native American Myths*, 1978
4 Sound cassettes
4 film positives
1 Folder

Native American Myths published by Encyclopedia Britannica. Contains 4 filmstrips, 4 audio cassettes, and a teacher's guide.

17.1: *Hopi: How the People Came Out of the Underground*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

17.2: *Haida: the Raven Gave Daylight Unto Mankind*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

17.3: *Klamath: How Coyote Stole Fire*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

17.4: *Seneca: Sky Woman*, 1978

1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 4;
Box 15

Title 18: *Indian Legacy*, 1978
5 Sound cassettes
5 film positives

Indian Legacy published by January Productions. Contains 5 filmstrips and 5 audio cassettes.

18.1: *Indian Arts and Crafts*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

18.2: *Indian Children*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

18.3: *Indian Clothing*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

18.4: *Indian Homes*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

18.5: *Indian Tools and Weapons*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 4;
Box 15;
Box 19, Folder 8

Title 19: *Indians of North America*, 1978
5 Sound cassettes
5 film positives
1 Folder

Indians of North America published by January Productions. Contains 5 filmstrips, 5 audio cassettes, and a teacher's guide.

19.1: *People of the Northeast*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

19.2: *People of the Northwest*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

19.3: *People of the Plains*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

19.4: *People of the Southeast*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

19.5: *People of the Southwest*, 1978

1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 16

Title 20: *Kachina: Spirit of the Pueblos*, 1978
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives

Kachina: Spirit of the Pueblos published by Educational Dimensions Group.
Contains 2 filmstrips and 2 audio cassettes.

20.1: *Kachina: Spirit of the Pueblos*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

20.2: *Kachina: Spirit of the Pueblos*, 1978
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 4;
Box 16;
Box 19, Folder 9

Title 21: *The Story of the Cave Painters*, 1979
2 Sound cassettes
2 film positives
1 Folder

The Story of the Cave Painters published by Educational Dimensions Group.
Contains 2 filmstrips, 2 audio cassettes, a teacher's guide, and a critical reading skills quiz.

21.1: *The Story of the Cave Painters*, 1979
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

21.2: *The Story of the Cave Painters*, 1979
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 4;
Box 16;
Box 19, Folder 10

Title 22: *Heroic American Indians of the Plains*, 1977
3 Sound cassettes
6 film positives
1 Folder

Heroic American Indians of the Plains published by Eye Gate Media, Inc.
Contains 6 filmstrips, 3 audio cassettes, and a lesson plan.

22.1: *Dances, Peace Pipes and Medicine Men: The Spiritual Beliefs of the Plains Indians / Spirit Dogs and Buffaloes: Two Animals that Supported the Plains Indians*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
2 film positives

22.2: *A Love of Beautiful Things: the Handicrafts and Paintings of the Plains Indians / Red Knights of the Prairie: the Tribes and Customs of the Plains Indians*, 1977
1 Sound cassette
2 film positives

22.3: Hunters, Planters and Gatherers: the Civilization of the Plains Indians / How They Fought for Their Lands: The Wars and Warriors of the Plains Indians, 1977
1 Sound cassette
2 film positives

Box 4;
Box 16;
Box 19, Folder 11

Title 23: *Folktales*, 1984
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Folktales: American Indian published by Clearvue, Inc. Contains 1 filmstrip and 1 audio cassette.

23.1: Little Bear, 1984
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 5;
Box 17;
Box 19, Folder 12-13

Title 24: *Indian Education Act*, 1976
3 Sound cassettes
6 film positives
2 Folders

Indian Education Act published by the Office of Indian Education. Contains 6 filmstrips, 3 audio cassettes and Parent Committee Procedures.

24.1: Indian Education Act of 1972- Title IV, Part A, Rules and Regulations, 1976
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

24.2: Indian Education Act of 1972, 1976
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

24.3: Indian Education Act of 1972- Using the Information Kit, 1976
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

24.4: Indian Education Act of 1972- Indian Education: A Message for Parents, 1976
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

24.5: Indian Education Act of 1972- Parent Committee Activities, 1976
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive

Box 5;
Box 17

Title 25: *A Visit to the Father - Navajo Legend*, 1972
4 Sound cassettes
4 film positives

A Visit to the Father - Navajo Legend published by Centron Educational Films. Contains 4 filmstrips and 4 audio cassettes.

25.1: The Twins Set Out, 1972

1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

25.2: *The Journey to Sun Bearer's House*, 1972
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

25.3: *At the Home of Sun Bearer*, 1972
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

25.4: *Killing the Monster Giant*, 1972
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

Box 5;
Box 17;
Box 19, Folder 14

Title 26: *Discovery, Exploration, and Colonization of American: Discovery of America*, circa 1970-1979

1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*
1 *Folder*

Discovery, Exploration, and Colonization of American: Discovery of America published by Society for Visual Education. Contains 1 filmstrip, 1 audio cassette, and a script.

26.1: *Discovery, Exploration, and Colonization of American: Discovery of America*, circa 1970-1979
1 *sound recording*
1 *film positive*

Box 18;
Box 19, Folder 15

Title 27: *American Indian Legends*, 1976

4 *Sound cassettes*
4 *film positives*
1 *Folder*

American Indian Legends published by Society for Visual Education. Contains 4 filmstrips, 4 audio cassettes, and teacher's guides.

27.1: *The Basket Lady*, 1976
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

27.2: *The Magic Food (Iroquois)*, 1976
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

27.3: *Mountain Spirit Dance (Mescalero Apache)*, 1976
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

27.4: *When People Lived in the Dark (Cherokee)*, 1976
1 *Sound cassette*
1 *film positive*

Box 5;

Title 28: *Indian Stories and Legends*, 1973

- Box 18;
Box 19, Folder 16
- 8 film positives*
1 Folder
- Indian Stories and Legends* published by Universal Education and Visual Arts. Contains 8 filmstrips and a Teacher's Guide to "Little Bear" and "The Dove."
- 28.1: *Glooscap and the Four Wishes*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.2: *How Bear Lost His Tail*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.3: *The Legend of the Flying Canoe*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.4: *Naba-cha and the Rocky Mountains*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.5: *The Sea Gull and the Whale*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.6: *Seven Little Stars*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.7: *When Goose Stole the Sun*, 1973
1 film positive
- 28.8: *Why Porcupine Has Quills*, 1973
1 film positive
- Box 18;
Box 19, Folder 17
- Title 29: *The Past Puzzle*, 1970
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive
1 Folder
- The Past Puzzle* published by Croft. Contains 1 filmstrip, 1 audio cassette, and a teacher's guide and script.
- 29.1: *The Past Puzzle*, 1970
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive
- Box 18
- Title 30: *Indian Tales*, 1979
- Indian Tales* published by Rand McNally and Co. Contains 2 filmstrips and two audio cassettes.
- 30.1: *The Dove*, 1979
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive
- 30.2: *Son of a Brave*, 1979
1 Sound cassette
1 film positive
- Box 19, Folder 18
- Title 31: *Indians of the Western Hemisphere*, 1980

1 Folder

Indians of the Western Hemisphere published by The New York Times. Contains a teacher's guide.

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Series 2: Filmstrip viewing equipment

This series contains 5 Study Mate II filmstrip viewers and 2 Pacer Junior filmstrip viewers.

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