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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

Here At The Smithsonian was a series of short features for television created and produced by the staff of the Smithsonian's Office of Telecommunications between the years 1982 and 1989. The series was designed for public dissemination of information about Smithsonian exhibition and research activities. Each year had a volume number [1982 (Volume I) through 1989 (Volume VIII)], within the volume were multiple editions (four to five), and multiple segments within each edition (three to six). Although some segments were repeated, they were often lengthened for a second broadcast. Features totaled 160 (including repeats).

This accession contains some of the original camera footage, all of the cut shows, and preservation masters of all of the cut shows. The initial features were written and shot by in-house staff using rented professional broadcast equipment, recorded on U-matic tape, rough cut on U-matic tape, then edited to 1-inch tape at a commercial post production house (first at FAX Productions in Bethesda, Maryland, then at Techniarts in Silver Spring, Maryland). Features were shot on Betacam beginning in 1987, and mastered to D-2 beginning in 1989. In 1987, post production work moved to Henninger Video in Arlington, Virginia.

Due to the long run of the series, different individuals were associated with the various functions including series producer, segment producer, and narrator. Those playing the largest roles in the development and refinement of *Here At The Smithsonian* were Ann Carroll (series producer, Volumes I - IV) and John P. Meehan (series producer Volumes V - VIII).

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Astronomy
- Audio-visual materials
- Corals
- Documentary videos
- Insects
- Kites
- Meteorites
- Orchids
- Paleontology
- Reptiles
- Scientific expeditions
- Squid
- Television -- Production and direction
- Video recordings -- Production and direction
- Zoos

Types of Materials:

- Video recordings
- Videotapes

Names:

- Biosphere 2 (Project)
- Brady, Mathew B., approximately 1823-1896
- Carroll, Ann
- Cherkezian, Nazaret
- Ellington, Duke, 1899-1974
- Meehan, John P.
- Roosevelt, Theodore, 1858-1919
- Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory
- Soyer, Raphael, 1899-1987
- Wright, Frank Lloyd, 1867-1959 -- Motion pictures

Preferred Titles:

- 20,000 Year Old Man (Television production)*
- Advertising: Yesterday and Today (Television production)*
- African Sounding Forms (Television production)*
- African Splendors (Television production)*
- Air and Space Anniversary (Television production)*
- Aloha, Hawaii! (Television production)*
- America's Castle (Television production)*
- American Art Deco (Television production)*
- American Picture Palaces (Motion picture : 1983)*
- Ancient Game Reborn (Television production)*
- Antietam Revisited (Television production)*
- Art in New Mexico (Television production)*
- Art of Craft (Television production)*

At Home With the Apes (Television production)
At Home on the Road (Television production)
Balloon Astronomy (Television production)
Ballooning's 200th Birthday (Television production)
Big Ideas in Small Packages (Television production)
Birdman of America (Television production)
Black Artists in the 20th Century (Television production)
Black Wings (Television production)
Brand New at the Zoo (Television production)
Brush of Innocence (Television production)
Building Biosphere (Television production)
California Artist (Television production)
Capturing the Spirit (Television production)
Celebrating American Folklife (Television production)
Climbing Jacob's Ladder (Television production)
Collecting the Stuff of Politics (Television production)
Common Wealth of Massachusetts (Television production)
Contemporary Expressions (Television production)
Continuity of Culture (Television production)
Corals in Captivity (Television production)
Crossroads of Two Continents (Television production)
Cultural Crossroads (Television production)
Decorative Designs of Frank Lloyd Wright (Television production)
Deep Sea Mysteries (Television production)
Design for the People (Television production)
Different Drummers (Television production)
Diplomats in Buckskins (Television production)
Discover Graphics (Television production)
Dr. Sackler's Gift (Television production)
Duke Ellington, American Musician (Television production)
Elephant's Tale (Television production)
Engines of Change (Television program)
Eyes on the Universe (Television production)
Facelift for Old Planes (Television production)
Faulkner: A Living Portrait (Television production)
Festival of Animals (Television production)
Folklife '85 (Television production)
Folklife '86 (Television production)
Folklife Exchange (Television production)
Folklife Festival '87 (Television production)
France Meets New Jersey (Television production)
From Fiddles to Banjos (Television production)
From Field to Factory (Television production)
From Reliable Sources (Television production)
Gallery for Today (Television production)
Garden for All Seasons (Television production)
Golden Age of Aviation (Television production)
Grasp of Reality (Television production)
Happy Birthday, Hirshhorn Museum (Television production)
Happy Birthday, National Zoo (Television production)
Harlem Renaissance (Television production)
Here at the Smithsonian (Television program)
Holiday Celebration (Television production)
Hollywood Legend and Reality (Television production)

Hooray for Amelia! (Television production)
Hooray for the Red, White and Blue (Television production)
Horse Races on the Mall (Television production)
How Does Your Sculpture Grow? (Television production)
Inside Meteorites (Television production)
Invasion of Painters (Television production)
Islam in Africa (Television production)
Japan's Ceramic Heritage (Television production)
Jeweler's Eye (Television production)
Joseph Cornell: The Universe in a Box (Television production)
Kalabari Kinetics (Television production)
Keeping Orchids Alive (Television production)
Keeping Perfect Time (Television production)
King Herod's Dream (Television production)
Life With Aviation (Television production)
Living With the Eskimos (Television production)
Magellans of the Air (Television production)
Magnificent Voyagers (Television production)
Making of a Dinosaur (Television production)
Mechanical Musical Marvels (Television production)
Meet the Beetles (Television production)
Microscopes Make it Big (Television production)
Modern Noah's Ark (Television production)
More Perfect Union (Television production)
More than Whistler's Mother (Television production)
Museum for the Community (Television production)
Nature Through a Viewfinder (Television production)
New Deal Murals (Television production)
New Political Conventions (Television production)
Old Country Post Office (Television production)
Old and New Traditions (Television production)
On the Air (Television production)
Our Violent Universe (Television production)
Outer Space Artist (Television production)
Painter at Large (Television production)
Painter at Large (Television production)
Panda Playground (Television production)
Past Visions of the Future (Television production)
Perpetual Man Ray (Television production)
Place For Touching (Television production)
Plastic Historian (Television production)
Portrait of a Life (Television production)
Precious Legacy (Television production)
Raphael Soyer: An Art of Real Life (Television production)
Reaching Rural America (Television production)
Rebirth of Dinosaurs (Television production)
Remembering John La Farge (Television production)
Restoring it to 'Wright' (Television production)
Rocks in a Hard Place (Television production)
Russia: The Land, The People (Television production)
Say it Ain't So, Wesley (Television production)
Second Nature (Television production)
Smithsonian Holiday (Television production)
Smithsonian's Giant Squid (Television production)

Smithsonian's Model Shop (Television production)
Something to Hang the Paint On (Television production)
Spanning the Distance (Television production)
Spineless Wonders (Television production)
Splendid Stradivarius (Television production)
Strike Up the Bandstand (Television production)
Surgery is Painless (Television production)
TR in Africa (Television production)
Tale of the Kite (Television production)
Tending a Sculpture Garden (Television production)
That's Entertainment (Television production)
Time Capsule of the Revolution (Television production)
Touch of Glass (Television production)
Treasures Down Under (Television production)
Treasures of African Art (Television production)
Ultimate Model (Television production)
Unseen Smithsonian (Television production)
Vanishing Frontier (Television production)
Video Astronomy (Television production)
Warming Up to Reptiles (Television production)
Way of Independence (Television production)
What Lives in Your Lawn? (Television production)
Woman Ahead of Her Time (Television production)
Woolly Mammoth of Washington (Television production)
World of Matthew Brady (Television production)
World's Biggest Camera (Television production)
Zoo Vets (Television production)

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