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Collection Overview

Repository: Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Creator: Smithsonian Productions
Title: Productions
Dates: 1967-2000 and undated
Quantity: 3 cu. ft. (3 record storage boxes)

Administrative Information

Preferred Citation
Smithsonian Institution Archives, Accession 09-055, Smithsonian Productions, Productions

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of audiovisual materials produced and collected by Smithsonian Productions and its predecessor, the Office of Telecommunications. Productions in this accession include "Smithsonian at the Capitol" and "House of Wonders." Records also document Smithsonian events (such as the Smithsonian's 150th Birthday party), lectures, news specials, promotions and public service announcements, regents meetings, and interviews. Materials include masters, originals, and copies on a variety of videotapes, 16mm films, 1” and 2” magnetic tapes, digital audio tapes (DAT), audiocassettes, and 1/4” audiotapes. Some materials are in electronic format.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:
Audio-visual materials
Charles Blair’s Better World: Smithsonian: Inside the Nation’s Attic (Documentary film)
Descubra El Smithsonian (Television production)
House of Wonders (Documentary film)
Lectures and lecturing
Museums -- Educational aspects.
Saudi Arabia: Tradition and Transition (Lectures: 1993)
Smithsonian Fantastic Journey (Video recording: 1996)
Smithsonian at the Capitol (Video recording)
Special events.
The Smithsonian Salutes Disney Music (Motion picture: 1992)

Types of Materials:
Audiotapes
Floppy disks
Motion pictures (visual works)
Sound recordings
Videotapes

Names:
Adams, Robert McCormick, 1926-
Garber, Paul Edward, 1899-1992
Meehan, John P.
Smithsonian Associates. Campus on the Mall.
Smithsonian Institution -- Anniversaries, etc.
Smithsonian Institution 150th Birthday Party on the National Mall (1996: Washington, D.C.)
Smithsonian Institution. 150th Anniversary Program.
Smithsonian Institution. Office of Telecommunications
Container Listing

Box 1

- Senate Smithsonian Facilities Bill [C-SPAN]. 6/24/1986. U-matic. (2 tapes)
- The Docent on Tour. 7/1979. U-matic. 30 minutes. Tape 176.
- Smithsonian at the Capitol. U-matic S. (3 tapes)
- Minority Interns [Smithsonian Public Service Announcement]. Edited Master. U-matic S. 1 minute, 12 seconds.
- Joe Bonsignore Retirement Party. 3/19/1991. VHS.
- Martin Luther King Holiday Celebration. 1/21/1991. VHS.
- Smithsonian Regents Meeting, Afternoon Session. 1/30/1995. VHS.
- Federal Employees Retirement System (FERS). Beta.

Box 2


Smithsonian Fantastic Journey [CBS News Special]. 1/25/1996. VHS.


Smithsonian Fantastic Journey [CBS News Special]. 5/2/1996. Betacam SP.


Smithsonian Highlights 2000. Betacam SP. 13 minutes, 4 times.

The Quincentenary Year [Association for Educational Communications and Technology (AECT) Teleconference, Films Incorporated]. VHS.

Box 3

CBS News - Smithsonian Minutes, Presentation Reel No. 6 [Mall Version]. 5/31/1996. Betacam SP.


Smithsonian Salutes Disney Music [The Disney Channel, Hughes Television Productions, Inc.]. U-matic. 53 minutes, 7 seconds.

Smithsonian Salutes Disney Music. Dub. VHS. 53 minutes, 7 seconds.


The Seiden Group - Smithsonian 150th Birthday [Post Perfect Incorporated]. 1/15/1996. U-matic. 30 seconds, 60 seconds, 60 seconds, 60 seconds.

Box 4


Smithsonian 150th Birthday - Animotion. Betacam SP. Tape 5.
150th Anniversary Fireworks [Roland House]. 8/15/1996. Digital Betacam Straight Track from Betacam SP Original. 10 minutes, 26 seconds.


America's Smithsonian, 150th Anniversary Tour [Ike Pappas Network Productions, Inc.]. Exhibition B-Roll. Betacam SP. 12 minutes, 4 seconds.

Smithsonian Science Education Overview for Science Education Video Conference. 10/17/1996. Program Master, Dump from AVID. Betacam SP. 9 minutes, 30 seconds.

Descubra El Smithsonian [ZGS Television Productions]. 1" magnetic tape. 4 capsules, 2 minutes each.


Smithsonian Exteriors - National Air and Space Museum, Castle (Mall Side), Freer Gallery of Art. Master, Original. U-matic S.


Smithsonian Bicentennial Celebration [Produced by the Office of International Activities for Christmas 1967, Written by William Warner]. 1/4" audiotape. 23 minutes. (2 tapes)


Inside Smithsonian, Trax 1-9. DAT.

Box 5

SI Buildings Shot for Title Sequence. c. 1970. 16mm Film.

SI Logo [SI animated logo as shot by The Film Studio/Gary Hughes; Colorlab, 1988]. 5/24/1984. ECN Original. 16mm Film.

Christmas Trees, 1977. Work Print. 16mm Film.

House of Wonders: Smithsonian Institution, An Exclusive Color Report [Screen News Digest, Volume 16, Issue 5]. Sound 12, Color. 16mm Film.


Charles Blair's Better World - Smithsonian: Inside the Nation's Attic [Off-Network Productions, Inc.]. 1976?. Color. 16mm Film.

Dr. Adams [Colorlab]. Camera Reel #1, 2, 3. Work Print, Color. 16mm Film.

Dr. Adams [Colorlab]. 1/20/1986. Camera Reel #1, 2, 3. ECN Original. 16mm Film.