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Collection Overview

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of the website for *Ghosts of a Chance*, the first alternate reality game to be hosted by a museum. It was a collaboration between the Smithsonian American Art Museum and CityMystery. The multimedia scavenger hunt required participants to decipher codes, follow treasure maps, send text messages, and uncover hidden objects. The online game ran from July 18 through October 25, 2008 and a module version for museum visitors ran from October 2008 through October 2010. The website was crawled on May 28, 2013. 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:

- Alternate reality games
- Art museums
- Art, American
- Ghosts of a Chance (Game)
- Museums -- Public relations
- Web sites

Types of Materials:

- Electronic records

Web sites

Names:

CityMystery (Firm)

Preferred Titles:

Ghosts of a Chance (Website)

Container Listing

Electronic Records

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Ghosts of a Chance website, crawled May 28, 2013

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