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Collection Overview

Repository:	Smithsonian Institution Archives, Washington, D.C., osiaref@si.edu
Title:	Productions
Date:	<i>circa</i> 1976-1994
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Administrative Information

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Descriptive Entry

This accession consists of audiovisual elements created during the production of "Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition," "Thomas Edison and His Amazing Invention Factory," "Work of Peace," and "Yorktown."

"Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition" accompanied the exhibition "1876: A Centennial Exhibition," which opened in the Arts and Industries Building in 1976, and documents the history of the Philadelphia Exhibition. It was narrated by James Whitmore. In 1976, the film won the CINE Golden Eagle Award, and, in 1978, it won four Emmy Awards.

"Thomas A. Edison and His Amazing Invention Factories," produced in 1979, is a companion film to the exhibition "Edison: Lighting a Revolution" at the National Museum of American History. The 28 minute film was a biography featuring the invention of electric light and the founding of research labs. The film won the 1980 CINE Golden Eagle Award.

"Work of Peace" is a 30 minute television program about the Treaty of Paris of 1783. The program had its national premiere on the Public Broadcasting Service (PBS) network. It won the Silver Medal at the International Film and TV Festival of New York, the Silver Award at the Houston International Film Festival, a CINE Golden Eagle, and second place in the 1985 National Educational Film Festival.

"Yorktown" was produced by Guggenheim Productions Inc. with oversight from the Office of Telecommunications. The 28 minute film was completed and released in 1982, and was created to commemorate the bicentennial of the Battle of Yorktown, the final battle of the American Revolution. The film features the bicentennial re-enactment of the battle.

Materials include videotapes, a reel-to-reel audiotape, and reels of 16 mm film and soundtrack. Some materials are masters.

Names and Subject Terms

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

Subjects:

- Documentary films
- Documentary television programs
- Motion pictures -- Production and direction
- Museum exhibits
- Television -- Production and direction
- Yorktown, Battle of, 1782.

Types of Materials:

- Audiotapes
- Motion pictures (visual works)
- Videotapes

Names:

- 1876: A Centennial Exhibition (1976: Washington, D.C.)
- Arts and Industries Building (Washington, D.C.)
- Centennial Exhibition (1876 : Philadelphia, Pa.)
- Edison: Lighting a Revolution (Exhibition) (1980: Washington, D.C.)
- Guggenheim Productions, inc.
- National Museum of American History (U.S.)
- Public Broadcasting Service (U.S.)
- Whitmore, James

Places:

- United States -- History. Revolution, 1775-1783

Preferred Titles:

- Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition (Motion picture : 1976)*
- Definitive Treaty of Peace Between Great Britain and the United States (1783 September 3)*
- Thomas A. Edison and His Amazing Invention Factories (Motion picture : 1979)*
- Work of Peace (Television program : 1984)*
- Yorktown (Motion picture : 1982)*

Container Listing

Box 1	
Box 1 of 1	Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition, A-Wind Color Reversal Intermediate, 10/5/1976, 16 mm film (Accession 17-364)
Box 1 of 1	Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition, A-Wind Track, 16 mm film (Accession 17-364)
Box 1 of 1	Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition, 28:00, 3/4" U-matic (Accession 17-364)
Box 1 of 1	(Celebrating a Century) Carnegie Project (Film Reel 16470), Corliss Engine (Film Reels 16465 and 16474), and Typewriter and Telegraph (Work Print Reel), Master, Betacam SP
Box 1 of 1	1876: Celebrating a Century, Carnegie Project (Film Reel 16470), Corliss Engine (Film Reels 16465 and 16474), and Typewriter and Telegraph (Work Print Reel), 3/4" U-matic
Box 1 of 1	1876, Music Recording, Constitution Hall, Reel 2, 1/4" audiotape
Box 1 of 1	Thomas A. Edison and His Amazing Invention Factories (28:00, 1979) and Celebrating a Century: The 1976 Philadelphia Exhibition (28:00, 1976), Dub Master, 1981, Betacam SP (Accession 17-364)
Box 1 of 1	Thomas A. Edison and His Amazing Invention Factories and Celebrating a Century: The 1876 Philadelphia Exhibition, 1981, 3/4" U-matic (Accession 17-364)
Box 1 of 1	The Work of Peace, Dub Master, 12/1/1994, 28:40, Betacam SP
Box 1 of 1	The Work of Peace, 28:40, 3/4" U-matic
Box 1 of 1	Treaty of Paris (Work of Peace), A-Wind Color Reversal Intermediate, 7/16/1984, 16 mm film
Box 1 of 1	The Work of Peace and Yorktown, 3/4" U-matic
Box 1 of 1	Yorktown, Dub Master, 12/1/1994, 27:53, Betacam SP
Box 1 of 1	Yorktown, VHS
Box 1 of 1	Yorktown, 3/4" U-matic