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Unit ID

C0141

Unit ID

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Unit Date

circa 1927-1932

Mixed Materials

1 (box)

Language

English

Abstract

The Japanese Phonograph Record collection contains 15, 78 rpm phonograph records mostly in sleeves with Japanese writing. The records were either printed in the United States or Japan for the Japanese music market, and released by Columbia, Ploydor, Victor, Orient Records and Regal.

Creator

George Mason University. Libraries. Special Collections Research Center

Extent

0.25 Linear Feet 1 box

Repository

George Mason University. Libraries. Special Collections Research Center

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

There are no access restrictions.

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Historical Information

The records in this collection are early examples of "electrical" recordings. Prior to 1925 recordings were made acoustically with singers and musicians playing into a horn. Electrical recording introduced the microphone which could pick up a larger range of sound and tone. Record companies developed specific names for this new recording process. The Victor Talking Machine company dubbed the new electric records as Orthophonic Records; Columbia produced "viva-tonal" records. The records in this collection are labeled as such.

A product of Nipponophone, Orient was acquired by Columbia in 1925

Scope and Contents

The Japanese Phonograph Record collection contains 15, 78 rpm phonograph records produced for Japan. The collection also includes original record sleeves and printed material packaged with the record. The records in this collection were released by: Columbia, Regal, Victor, Ploydor and Orient Records. The records could have been released by the American division of these labels for export, or by their Japanese branches. The design of the labels present on the discs indicated that these records were released in the late 1920s through early 1930s. The records have been recorded with the new "electric" recording process, which was introduced to the music industry in 1925.

The song title and artist name are printed in Japanese with only the record company name printed in English. As of now the records remain unidentified.

Related Material

The Special Collections Research Center also holds the Music, Theatre, and Spoken Word sound recording collection.

Keywords

Music
Music -- 20th century
Music -- Japan
Sound recordings
Japan

Technical Requirements

The Special Collections Research Center does not have the equipment necessary to phonograph records. Additional time and money may be required to access this material.

Arrangement

Organized into five series.

Missing Title

- Series 1: Columbia
- Series 2: Victor
- Series 3: Orient
- Series 4: Ploydor
- Series 5: Columbia Regal

Description of Subordinate Components

Series 1: Columbia

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/57132

Unit Date circa 1928

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Columbia 26507

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/57133

Unit Date circa 1928

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 1 (folder)

Columbia 26508

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/57134

Unit Date circa 1928

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 2 (folder)

Series 2: Victor

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/57135

Unit Date circa 1927-1932

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Victor 50833

Unit ID /repositories/2/archival_objects/57136

Unit Date ca. 1927-1932

Mixed Materials 1 (box)

Container 3 (folder)

Victor 50834**Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57137**Unit Date** ca. 1927-1932**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 4 (folder)**Victor 50834****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57138**Unit Date** ca. 1927-1932**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 5 (folder)**Victor 50604****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57139**Unit Date** ca. 1927-1932**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 6 (folder)**Victor 50605****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57140**Unit Date** ca. 1927-1932**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 7 (folder)**Victor 50833****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57141**Unit Date** ca. 1927-1932**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 8 (folder)**Series 3: Orient****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57142**Unit Date** circa 1928**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Orient 60433****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57143**Unit Date** ca. 1928**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 9 (folder)**Orient 60432****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57144**Unit Date** ca. 1928**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)**Container** 10 (folder)**Series 4: Polydor****Unit ID** /repositories/2/archival_objects/57145**Unit Date** circa 1925-1932**Mixed Materials** 1 (box)

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