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## Guide to the Roman Edwards Collection

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**Language of Material:** Multiple languages

**Contributing Institution:** Special Collections & Archives

**Title:** Roman Edwards Collection

**Creator:** Edwards, Roman

**Identifier/Call Number:** OCH.ROE

**Extent:** 1.83 Gigabytes

**Date (inclusive):** 1900-1990

**Abstract:** The *Roman Edwards Collection* contains photographs, ephemera, and a manuscript documenting Edwards and his British and Russian parents' lives in Shanghai and World War II internment in Yu Yuen Road Camp and Ningkou Road Civilian Assembly Center.

**Language of Material:** English, Chinese, Russian

#### **Biographical / Historical**

Roman "Ted" Edwards was born December 6, 1929 to a Russian mother and British father. His surname was originally Pisani. He attended St. Jeanne D'Arc school in Shanghai before attending Cathedral School. When World War II began he and his family were interned at Yu Yuen Road Camp. His family moved to England in May 1946 before immigrating to the United States in 1948.

#### **Scope and Contents**

The *Roman Edwards Collection* contains photographs, ephemera, and a manuscript documenting Edwards and his British and Russian parents' lives in Shanghai in the 1930s and 1940s. Russian ephemera and photographs document Edwards' connection to Russia through his mother's family. Business ephemera and photographs document aspects of daily life in Shanghai, including Edwards' education at Cathedral School. His collection of matchbook covers were manufactured in China, Japan, Norway, and the United States, and include Japanese propaganda distributed in Shanghai during World War II. Photographs from a later trip to revisit China record the locations of Yu Yuen Road and Eastern Civilian Assembly Center internment camps in 1987.

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#### **Processing Information**

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#### **Subjects and Indexing Terms**

Documents

Ephemera

Photographs

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**Artillerists Dinner Menu, 1935**

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**Cathedral School Photographs, 1937-1938**

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**Chinese Eastern Railway Ticket Envelope**

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**Chinese Paper Currency, 1928-1949**

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**Cognac Bottlers Photographs**

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**Conservatory Photograph**

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**Dinner Group Photograph, ca. 1930**

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**Edwards, Tamara V. Internment Camp Account, ca. 1990**

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**Family Photographs ca. 1900-1945**

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Digital Folder	<b>Internment Civilian Armband, ca. 1942</b>
Digital Folder	<b>Matchbook Covers, ca. 1935-1945</b>
Digital Folder	<b>Railway Commemorative Certificate</b>
Digital Folder	<b>Russian Group Photograph</b>
Digital Folder	<b>Russian Postcards, ca. 1920-1929</b>
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Digital Folder	<b>Yu Yuen Road and Eastern Civilian Assembly Center Internment Camp Photographs, 1987</b>