
Finding Aid for the Yasui Family Papers, 1907-1946 (Collection 2010)

Japanese American Research Project (JARP) Collection

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Descriptive Summary

Title: Yasui Family papers

Collection number: 2010

Contributing Institution: UCLA Library Special Collections

Language of Material: English

Physical Description: 3.5 linear ft.(5 boxes. 2 flat boxes.)

Date (inclusive): 1907-1946

Abstract: Satosuke Yasui was born in 1881 in Hiroshima Prefecture. He arrived in Hawaii in 1907, where he was a newspaperman, Japanese language school principal and teacher, and publisher and editor of the Maui Shimbun. He also served as an officer of the Japanese Association of Maui. The collection consists of personal papers, diaries, correspondence, instructional materials, informational publications, sound recordings, artwork, and photographs related to the Yasui family. The collection also includes papers related to the Japanese Association of Wailuku, Hawaii, and a notebook of sermon memos kept by Jodo Shinshu Buddhist priest, Taksuhiko Matsuda, at Tule Lake. Some materials in this collection are in Japanese.

Physical location: Stored off-site at SRLF. Advance notice is required for access to the collection. Please contact UCLA Library Special Collections for paging information.

Creator: Yasui family

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Processing Note

Processed by Yoko Shimojo, with assistance from Elizabeth Sheehan, 2007, in the Center For Primary Research and Training (CFPRT). Folder contents were rehoused and series levels added to enhance access to the materials.

Biography

Satosuke Yasui was born in 1881 in the Hiroshima Prefecture, Japan. He graduated from Hiroshima Normal School and arrived in Hawaii in 1907. He was a newspaperman and Japanese language school principal and teacher. He was also publisher and editor of the Maui Shimbun (1920-41). He served as an officer of the Japanese Association of Maui.

Scope and Content

Collection consists of personal papers, diaries, correspondence, instructional materials, informational publications, sound recordings, artwork, and photographs related to the Yasui family. Personal papers consist of Satosuke Yasui's 18 notebook diaries (1910-41), correspondence, and miscellaneous items such as practice sheets of calligraphy, instructional materials, Japanese sound recordings, artwork, and a photo album. The collection also includes papers related to the Japanese Assn. of Wailuku, Hawaii, a small amount of articles published in the Maui Shimbun, and a notebook of sermon memos kept by Jodo Shinshu Buddhist priest Taksuhiko Matsuda, at Tule Lake.

Organization and Arrangement

Arranged in the following series:

1. Artwork
2. Diaries
3. Miscellaneous

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4. Organizational files
 5. Photographs
 6. Printed materials.

Related Material

[Manzanar War Relocation Center Records \(Collection 122\)](#) . Available at UCLA Library Special Collections, Charles E. Young Research Library.

[Japanese American Research Project Collection of Material about Japanese in the United States \(Collection 2010\)](#) . Available at UCLA Library Special Collections, Charles E. Young Research Library.

Subjects and Indexing Terms

Japanese American Research Project (University of California, Los Angeles).

Yasui family--Archives.

Yasui, Matsuno--Archives.

Yasui, Satosuke--Archives.

Diaries.

Family papers.

Japanese American families--Hawaii--Archival resources.

Photographs.

Sound recordings.

Teachers--Hawaii--Archival resources.

Artwork. 1938; n.d.

Physical Description: 1 box (.5 linear ft.) and 1 flat box.

Scope and Content

Series consists of Japanese calligraphy, water colors, pencil sketches, and charcoal drawings.

Box 147,
Folders 1-29

Japanese calligraphy by Matsuno Yasui--29. n.d.

Physical Description: [29 folders.]

Box 723, Folder 1

Pen and water color by Fujita. 1938

Box 723, Folder 2

Pencil and ink on Japanese paper [artist unknown]. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 3

Water color [artist unknown]. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 4

Water color [artist unknown]. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 5

Water color and oil by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 6

Water color by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 7

Water color by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 8

Water color by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723, Folder 9

Water color, abstract patterns, by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 10

Water color, abstract patterns, by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 11

Water color, people, places, things, by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 12

Pencil, composition of three-dimensional patterns, by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 13

Pencil sketches of still life by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 14

Pencil sketches of interior by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 15

Charcoal drawing by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 16

Pencil sketches of interior by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 17

Pencil sketches of interior by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 18

Pencil sketches of interior by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 19

Pencil sketches of interior by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 20

Charcoal drawing by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 723,
Folder 21

Charcoal drawing by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 874, Folder 1

Pencil and Japanese ink by Iao Yasui. n.d.

Box 874, Folder 2

Calligraphy mounted on paper. n.d.

Diaries. 1911-1941

Physical Description: 2 boxes (1 linear ft.)

Scope and Content

Series consists of various diaries (sick bed, poetry, etc.). All are in Japanese.

Box 148, Folder 1

Kiyoko, Yasui--Notebooks and paper pads. 1911-1915

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Box 148, Folder 2

Yasui, Satosuke--Bound diaries. 1916-1917

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Box 148, Folder 3

Yasui, Satosuke--Bound diaries. 1919, 1922

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Box 148, Folder 4

Yasui, Satosuke--Various personal diaries. 1910-1912, 1915, 1934-1935

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Box 149, Folder 1

Yasui, Satosuke--Poetry diary--Nisshi uta. 1939 January-October

Scope and Content

Poem composed in sick-bed. In Japanese.

Box 149, Folder 2

Yasui, Satosuke--Poetry diary--Nisshi uta. 1939 November-1940 December

Scope and Content

Poem composed in sick-bed. In Japanese.

Box 149, Folder 3

Yasui, Satosuke--Poetry diary--Nisshi uta. 1941 January-December

Scope and Content

Poem composed in sick-bed. In Japanese.

Box 149, Folder 4

Yasui, Satosuke--Sick-bed diary--Hakuajyo tobyo nisshi. 1939 March-April

Scope and Content

Diaries includes the condition of his disease and diet. In Japanese.

Box 149, Folder 5

Yasui, Satosuke--Sick-bed diary--Hakuajyo tobyo nisshi. 1939 May-August

Scope and Content

Diaries includes the condition of his disease and diet. In Japanese.

Miscellaneous. 1909-1945

Physical Description: 1 box (.5 linear ft.)

Scope and Content

Series consists of various items including a small amount of correspondence, clippings, blueprints, lecture notes, scrapbook, notebook, and phonograph records.

Box 147,
Folder 30

Phonograph records--School song/national anthem--Royaru Saiho Jyogakko koka [Royaru Girls School for Sewing School Song], Kimigayo hensokyoku(Jyo)[National Anthem of Japan]. n.d.

Scope and Content

Four copies of Royaru Saiho Jyogakko koka.

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- Box 147,
Folder 31 **Phonograph records--School song--Royaru Saiho Jyogakko koka [Royaru Girls School for Sewing School Song]. n.d.**
 Scope and Content
 78 rpm records.
- Box 149, Folder 6 **Yasui, Satosuke--Sick-bed diary--Hakuajyo tobyo nisshi. 1939 September-1941 January**
 Scope and Content
 Diaries includes the condition of his disease, diet, list of visitors. In Japanese.
- Box 150, Folder 1 **Correspondence--to Yasui Family. 1911-1932**
 Scope and Content
 In Japanese.
- Box 150, Folder 2 **Correspondence--From Satosuke to Matsuno. n.d.**
 Scope and Content
 Written instructions by Satosuke to his bride, Matsuno, explaining what to bring, how to behave, and where to stay, etc., when the latter was coming to Hawaii as a bride. In Japanese.
- Box 150, Folder 3
Box 150, Folder 4 **Financial papers. 1908-1916**
 Clippings of women's magazine & sewing patterns. n.d.
 Scope and Content
 In Japanese.
- Box 150, Folder 5
Box 150, Folder 6 **Lecture notes from English classes. 1936 October-1937 May**
 Lecture notes from sewing classes. 1936 September-1937 March
 Scope and Content
 For Matsuno Yasui.
- Box 150, Folder 7 **Lecture notes--various subjects.**
 Scope and Content
 In Japanese.
- Box 150, Folder 8 **Draft of various plays/skits. n.d.**
 Scope and Content
 "Visit flight to 50 Japanese cities, 1929", "Lazy man", "A drummer boy", "Zeppelin", "Ski tournament", "Reconstruction of Tokyo", "Aiming at the glory". In Japanese.
- Box 150, Folder 9
Box 150,
Folder 10 **Poems, musical notes. n.d.**
 Results of a Judo tournament. n.d.
 Scope and Content
 Record book of a Judo tournament. 1 notebook, and three papers are placed in clear folder
- Box 150,
Folder 11 **Three blueprints and a photograph of memorial stones. n.d.**
- Box 150,
Folder 12 **Notebook--Translation of Dr. Sidney L. Gulick's article on the Sino-Japanese War by Yukihiro Tsuyoshi. 1937**
- Box 874, Folder 3 **Scrapbook--Santa Anita Assembly Center--Drawings and writings about the Santa Anita Assembly Center by Shinichi Furuya. 1942, 1945**
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Organizational files. 1911-1931

Physical Description: (.25 linear ft.)

Scope and Content

Series contains small amount of miscellaneous papers related to various organizations.

Box 150,
Folder 13

Appointment paper of Satosuke Yasui. 1911 May

Scope and Content

Appointment paper of Satosuke Yasui as principal and teacher of a Buddhist Japanese language school in Papaiko, Hawaii. In Japanese.

Box 151, Folder 1

Company Daily Reports "Maui Shinbunsha nikki" [Maui Newspaper Publisher Diary]. 1923 January 1-1925 February 27; 1940 May 19-October 24

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Box 151, Folder 2

Japanese Association of Wailuku--Issen-kyu-hyaku-sanjyu-nendo Wairuku Nihonjin-kai jinmeihyo [Membership list of the Japanese Association of Wailuku, 1937]. 1937

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Box 151, Folder 3
Box 151, Folder 4
Box 151, Folder 5
Box 151, Folder 6

**Japanese Association of Wailuku--check book. 1918 November 25-1931 January 3
Japanese Association of Wailuku--receipts. 1930 January-1931 January
Twenty-First Maui County Fair--List of awards in the Vegetable Section. n.d.
Wailuku Honganji Buddhist Temple--Wairuku Honganji Gojikai Riji Senkyo Tohyo Yoshi [Ballot for the election of Board Members of the Association to provide support to the Wailuku Honganji Buddhist Temple]. n.d.**

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

Photographs. 1907-1964

Physical Description: (.25 linear ft.)

Scope and Content

Series consists of one photograph album and small amount of prints.

Box 151, Folder 7
Box 874, Folder 4

Album. n.d.

Reception for Ishii Kikujiro, head of the Commerce Bureau, Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Japan during Meiji period, who visited West Coast, September, 1907 Photo taken in Tacoma, Washington. 1907 September 6

Box 874, Folder 5

Group photograph, Suto nursery. 1909, 1932, 1953, 1964

Printed materials.

Box 151, Folder 8

Text book--Methods of intelligent test for the Japanese children in Hawaii. 1925

Scope and Content

By Kondo Kikujiro, the original title is Hawaii Jido Chinokensa-ho [Intelligence test for Hawaiian children]. In Japanese.

Box 151, Folder 9

Bukkyo gairon [Introduction to Buddhism]. 1945

Scope and Content

In Japanese.

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| Box 151,
Folder 10 | Bukyo no tachiba to Jyodoshinu yosetsu [Principles of Buddhism and introduction to the Jodo Shinshu Sect]. 1945
Scope and Content
In Japanese. |
| Box 151,
Folder 11 | Selected Sunday sermons. 1945
Scope and Content
Written in Japanese, Sentoku Howa Soka Zuisoroku [A Record of Sermons by the Virtuous Persons of Yore, Flowery Thoughts, and Random Notes] |
| Box 151,
Folder 12 | Emergency Service Committee--Final report of the Emergency Service Committee. 1946 |
| Box 151,
Folder 13 | Territory of Hawaii Department of Labor and Industrial Relations--Trends and Totals. 1940 |
| Box 874, Folder 6 | Reproduced Japanese calligraphies. |
| Box 874, Folder 7 | Reproduced portrait of the emperor of Japan. 1910 |
| Box 874, Folder 8 | Reproduced photographs and pictures of California, Egypt, and Japan. 1913, 1931 |
| Box 874, Folder 9 | Reproduced photographs and pictures of Hawaii. n.d. |
| Box 874,
Folder 10 | Reproduced pictures. n.d.
Scope and Content
Whistler(1834-1903)'s "My Mother" and Kverne(1905-)'s "We" |
| Box 874,
Folder 11 | Reproduced pictures mounted on paper. n.d.
Scope and Content
Jan Vermeer's "The Girl with the Red Hat", Winston Homer's "The Wreck", "The Gulf Stream" and "Driftwood", William Davis's "Good Companions", pictures of Bali, Reindel's "New England Harbor" and "Net Menders". |
| Box 874,
Folder 12 | Reproduced photographs and pictures mounted on paper. n.d.
Scope and Content
Animal and sceneries. |
| Box 874,
Folder 13 | Newspapers-- <i>The Nippu Jiji</i>, <i>The Hawaii Hochi</i>, Special edition for 8th Anniversary for Buddhist Youth Conference, Maui Shinbun. 1935, 1937 |