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.
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Creator: Yasui family
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(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
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.
- Water color [artist unknown]. n.d.
- Water color [artist unknown]. n.d.
- Water color and oil by Iao Yasui. n.d.
- Water color by Iao Yasui. n.d.
- Water color by Iao Yasui. n.d.
- Water color, abstract patterns, by Iao Yasui. n.d.
- Water color, abstract patterns, by Iao Yasui. n.d.

**Box 723, Folder 3**

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

**Box 723, Folder 4**

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

**Box 723, Folder 5**

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

**Box 723, Folder 6**

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

**Box 723, Folder 7**

- Charcoal drawing by Iao Yasui. n.d.

**Box 723, Folder 8**

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

**Box 723, Folder 9**

- 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

Box 149, Folder 2
Yasui, Satosuke--Poetry diary--Nisshi uta. 1939 November-1940 December
Scope and Content

Box 149, Folder 3
Yasui, Satosuke--Poetry diary--Nisshi uta. 1941 January-December
Scope and Content

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.
| 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 | Financial papers. 1908-1916 |
| Box 150, Folder 4 | Clippings of women's magazine & sewing patterns. n.d.  
Scope and Content  
In Japanese. |
| Box 150, Folder 5 | Lecture notes from English classes. 1936 October-1937 May |
| Box 150, Folder 6 | 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  
| Box 150, Folder 9 | Poems, musical notes. n.d. |
| Box 150, Folder 10 | 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 |
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

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
Scope and Content
In Japanese.

Box 151, Folder 3
Box 151, Folder 4
Japanese Association of Wailuku--receipts. 1930 January-1931 January
Box 151, Folder 5
Twenty-First Maui County Fair--List of awards in the Vegetable Section. n.d.
Box 151, Folder 6
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
Album. n.d.
Box 874, Folder 4
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.
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

Box 874, Folder 12
Reproduced photographs and pictures mounted on paper. n.d.
Scope and Content
Animal and sceneries.

Box 874, Folder 13