

# 1984 Neptune Plaza Concert Series Collection

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# Collection Summary

Collection Number: AFC 1984/007

Title: 1984 Neptune Plaza Concert Series Collection

Inclusive Dates: 1984

Repository: Archive of Folk Culture, American Folklife Center, Library of Congress, Washington, D.C. <http://hdl.loc.gov/loc.afc/folklife.home>

Extent (Manuscripts): 7 folders

Extent (Sound Recordings): 10 sound tape reels : analog, 7 1/2 ips, double track, stereo. and mono. ; 10 in.

Extent (Graphic Images): ca. 325 photographs : black and white, color

Creator: American Folklife Center

Languages: English, Spanish, Bengali, and Japanese

Abstract: The collection consists of manuscript materials, sound recordings, and photographs documenting the performance of bluegrass music from Ohio, blues music and African American a capella doo-wop from Washington, D.C., folk music from Bengal, India; Japanese music from Washington, D.C., and Puerto Rican cuatro and salsa music from Washington, D.C. recorded live at the Thomas Jefferson Building, Library of Congress, in concerts from May through September 1984, sponsored by the American Folklife Center. The concert of Japanese music was followed by a workshop in the Whittall Pavilion on Japanese brush painting.

## Scope and Content

The 1984 Neptune Plaza Concert Series Collection consists of manuscript and print materials, audio recordings, and graphic materials that document the 1984 concert series sponsored by the American Folklife Center. The annual series, which began in 1977, features the presentation of folk traditions from many cultures. The 1984 series was produced with the assistance of the National Council for the Traditional Arts.

The 1984 season consisted of the following:

Date	Performers	Place of Origin	Subject
May 4	Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver	Ohio	Bluegrass music
June 14	Flora Molton and Archie Edwards	District of Columbia	Blues music
July 12	Ganga	District of Columbia	East Indian music
August 9	Veltones	District of Columbia	Urban Black doo-wop music
August 16	Sankyoku-The Washington Toho Koto Society	District of Columbia	Japanese music
September 13	Yomo Toro	District of Columbia	Puerto Rican music

## Administrative History

Documentation created and accessioned by the American Folklife Center in 1984.

## Selected Search Terms

The following terms have been used to index the description of this collection in the Library's online catalog. They are grouped by name of person or organization, by subject and listed alphabetically therein.

People

Edwards, Archie, 1918- performer.  
Lawson, Doyle, performer.  
Molton, Flora, 1908- performer.  
Toro, Yomo, performer.

Organizations and performing groups  
American Folklife Center, collector.  
Archive of Folk Culture (Library of Congress), collector.  
Ganga (Musical group) performer.  
National Council for the Traditional Arts, sponsor.  
Quicksilver (Musical group) performer.  
Vel-Tones (Musical group) performer.  
Washington Toho Koto Society, performer.

#### Subjects

African Americans--Washington (D.C.)--Music.  
Aguinaldos--Puerto Rico.  
Bengali (South Asian people)--Virginia--Music.  
Bengali Americans--Virginia--Music.  
Bluegrass music--1981-1990.  
Bluegrass music--Ohio.  
Blues (Music)--1981-1990.  
Decimas, Puerto Rican--Puerto Rico.  
Doo-wop (Music)  
Folk music--India--Bengal.  
Folk music--United States.  
Folk songs, Spanish--Puerto Rico.  
Japanese Americans--Washington (D.C.)--Music.  
Plenas--Puerto Rico.  
Popular music--Puerto Rico.  
Puerto Ricans--Washington (D.C.)--Music.  
Rhythm and blues music--Washington (D.C.)  
Shakuhachi and koto music.

#### Titles

*American Folklife Center concert, 1984*  
*Neptune Plaza Concert Series, 1984*

#### Form/Genre

Color slides.  
Manuscripts.  
Photographic prints.  
Sound recordings.

## Access

Listening and viewing access to the collection is unrestricted. Duplication of the materials requires prior permission of the Center and may be governed by copyright and other restrictions.

## Preferred Citation

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## Collection Concordance by Format

Quantity	Physical Extent	Item Numbers
Manuscript Materials		
1	box	FOLDERS 1, 2, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13
Sound Recordings		
4	10" DT mono reels at 7.5 ips	RWA 7311-7312 RWA 7352-7353
6	10" DT stereo reels at 7.5 ips	RWA 7808 (AFS 24367) RWA 7815-7816 RWA 7845-7846 RWA 7847
Graphic Images		
164	black-and-white negatives	ENVELOPES 1, 2, 5, 8, 11, 14
6	black-and-white contact sheets	FOLDERS 3-4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14
1	8x10 black-and-white photographic print	FOLDERS 8
2	7x9 black-and-white photographic prints	FOLDER 4
2	5x7 black-and-white photographic prints	FOLDER 14
164	color slides	ENVELOPES 3-4, 6-7, 9-10, 12-13, 15-16

# Description of Series

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Series I: MANUSCRIPTS

Series II: SOUND RECORDINGS

Series III: GRAPHIC MATERIALS

# Collection Inventory

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Series I: MANUSCRIPTS

Publicity and Administration

- FOLDER 1           Archive of Folk Culture Administrative Materials.  
                    The collection guide (this document) and an article describing the  
                    Neptune Plaza Concert Series.
- FOLDER 2           Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, 5-4-84.  
                    Identification of people in photographs.
- FOLDER 5           Flora Molton and Archie Edwards, 6-14-84.  
                    Concert flier, press release, news clippings and identification of people  
                    in photographs.
- FOLDER 7           Ganga, 7-12-84.  
                    Concert fliers, press releases, news clippings, concert program and  
                    identification of people in photographs.
- FOLDER 9           Veltones, 8-9-84.  
                    Concert fliers, press releases, news clippings and identification of  
                    people in photographs.
- FOLDER 11          Sankyoku-The Washington Toho Koto Society, 8-16- 84.  
                    Concert flier, press releases, news clippings, concert program,  
                    identification of people in photos on contact sheet, and  
                    correspondence.
- FOLDER 13          Yomo Toro, 9-13-84.  
                    Concert fliers, press releases, news clippings and identification of  
                    people in photographs.

Series II: SOUND RECORDINGS

Reel-to-reel Audio Tapes

- RWA 7311-7312       Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, 5-4-84.  
                    Two 10" DT mono at 7.5 ips.
- RWA 7352-7353       Flora Molton and Archie Edwards, 6-14-84.  
                    Two 10" DT mono at 7.5 ips.
- RWA 7808  
AFS 24367            Ganga, 7-12-84.  
  
                    One 10" DT stereo at 7.5 ips.
- RWA 7815-7816       Veltones, 8-9-84.  
                    Two 10" inch DT stereo at 7.5 ips. Listening copies are available in the  
                    Folklife Reading Room.
- RWA 7845-7846       Sankyoku-The Washington Toho Koto Society, 8-16-84.  
                    Two 10" DT stereo at 7.5 ips.

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RWA 7847                    Yomo Toro, 9-13-84.  
                                  One 10" DT stereo at 7.5 ips.

## Series III: GRAPHIC MATERIALS

### Negatives

ENVELOPE 1                Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, 5-4-84.  
                                  One sheet of black and white 35 mm (35 images). Photographed by John  
                                  T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPE 2                Flora Molton and Archie Edwards, 6-14-84.  
                                  One sheet of black and white 35 mm (7 images). Photographed by John  
                                  T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPE 5                Ganga, 7-12-84.  
                                  One sheet of black and white 35 mm (34 images). Photographed by John  
                                  T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPE 8                Veltones, 8-9-84.  
                                  One sheet of black and white 35 mm (36 images). Photographed by John  
                                  T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPE 11              Sankyoku-The Washington Toho Koto Society, 8-16-84.  
                                  One sheet of black and white 35 mm (16 images). Photographed by John  
                                  T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPE 14              Yomo Toro, 9-13-84.  
                                  One sheet of black and white 35 mm (36 images). Photographed by Reid  
                                  S. Baker.

### Photographic Prints

FOLDERS 3-4                Doyle Lawson and Quicksilver, 5-4-84.  
                                  One black and white 35 mm contact sheet (35 images photographed by  
                                  John T. Gibbs) and one 7 x 9 black-and-white photoprint and duplicate  
                                  (photographer unknown).

FOLDER 6                    Flora Molton and Archie Edwards, 6-14-84.  
                                  One black and white 35 mm contact sheet (27 images). Photographed by  
                                  John T. Gibbs.

FOLDER 8                    Ganga, 7-12-84.  
                                  One black and white 35 mm contact sheet (34 images) and one 8 x 10  
                                  black-and-white photoprint. Photographed by John T. Gibbs.

FOLDER 10                 Veltones, 8-9-84.  
                                  One black and white 35 mm contact sheet (36 images). Photographed by  
                                  John T. Gibbs.

FOLDER 12                 Sankyoku-The Washington Toho Koto Society, 8-16-84.  
                                  One black-and-white contact sheet (16 images) and a duplicate sheet.  
                                  Photographed by John T. Gibbs.

FOLDER 14                 Yomo Toro, 9-13-84.  
                                  One black-and-white contact sheet (36 images) and two 5 x 7 black and  
                                  white photoprints. Photographed by Reid S. Baker.

### Color Slides

ENVELOPES 3-4             Flora Molton and Archie Edwards, 6-14-84.  
                                  Two trays containing a total of 31. Photographed by John T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPES 6-7             Ganga, 7-12-84.  
                                  Two trays containing a total of 28. Photographed by John T. Gibbs.

### Series III: GRAPHIC MATERIALS

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ENVELOPES 9-10

Veltones, 8-9-84.

Two trays containing a total of 37. Photographed by Reid S. Baker.

ENVELOPES 12-13

Sankyoku-The Washington Toho Koto Society, 8- 16-84.

Three trays containing a total of 33. Photographed by John T. Gibbs.

ENVELOPES 15-16

Yomo Toro, 9-13-84.

Two trays containing a total of 35. Photographed by Reid S. Baker.