



**JOSEPH HAWKINS PHOTOGRAPHS
OF THE 1996 TAGATA HONEN FESTIVAL**

Coll2009-015

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Descriptive Summary

Title

Joseph Hawkins Photographs of the 1996 Tagata Honen Festival

Creator

Joseph Hawkins

Extent

Number of containers: 3 oversize boxes
Linear feet: 2 linear feet

Date

1993-1996 (bulk 1996)

Repository

ONE National Gay & Lesbian Archives, Los Angeles, California

Abstract

Photographs taken by Joseph Hawkins at the 1996 Tagata Honen Festival in Kamaki, Japan. This annual Shinto festival is a fertility rite and a celebration of life, and its key focus is a large phallus carved from a sacred Japanese cypress tree. The collection also includes descriptive labels from an exhibit of the photographs, mementos from the festival, and a 1993 map of Japan.



Administrative Information

Access

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Preferred Citation

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Indexing Terms

This collection is indexed under the following terms:

- Fertility, human – Japan
- Festivals – Japan
- Photographs
- Photography – Exhibitions
- Rites and ceremonies – Japan
- Shinto – Customs and practices
- Shinto – Rituals

Acquisitions Information

Gift of Joseph Hawkins, 1998.

Processing Information

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Biography

Joseph Hawkins received his Ph.D. in anthropology from the University of Southern California , with a dissertation on homosexuality in Japan. He took the photographs in this collection at the 1996 Tagata Honen Festival in Kamaki, Japan. This Shinto festival, held annually on March 15, is a fertility rite and a celebration of life, and its key focus is a large phallus carved from a sacred Japanese cypress tree.

Scope and Content and Container List

The bulk of the collection consists of photographs taken at the 1996 Tagata Honen Festival in Kamaki, Japan, and descriptive labels from an exhibit of the photographs. The collection also includes a sacred rope with pendants used in the festival, a wooden plaque and blank journal depicting phallic effigies, and a 1993 map of Japan.

Box	Item No.	
1	1-18	Photographs (color), 1996
1	1	Mochi [8 x 12 inches]
1	2	Men pulling cart [8 x 12 inches]
1	3	Spectators [8 x 12 inches]
1	4	Prince's shrine [8 x 12 inches]
1	5	Cart with phallic effigy [8 x 12 inches]
1	6	Young woman [8 x 12 inches]
1	7	Men accompanying young women [8 x 12 inches]
1	8	Women at entrance of main shrine [8 x 12 inches]
1	9	Cedar bucket with sake [3 prints - 4 x 6 inches]
1	10	Men pulling cart [8 x 12 inches]
1	11	Phallic effigy in front of shrine [8 x 12 inches]
1	12	Participants kissing phallic effigy [8 x 12 inches]
1	13	Phallic effigies [12 x 8 inches]
1	14	Men with phallic effigy on cart [8 x 12 inches]
1	15	Festival participants [9.5 x 14 inches]
1	16	Men pulling phallic effigy on cart [11 x 14 inches]
1	17	Cask of sake [12 x 8 inches]
1	18	Cart passing beneath doorway [12 x 8 inches]
2	1	Exhibit labels (19 pieces), 1996
2	2	Map of Japan, 1993
2	3	Wooden plaque depicting phallic effigy, 1996
2	4	Blank journal with phallic effigy on front cover, 1996
3		<i>Shimonawa</i> (sacred rope) with paper flax pendants, 1996