



Rokyoku "Mori no Ishimatsu" : Tanaka

Date

1942-1943

Primary Maker

Hoshida, George

Medium

ink, paper, laminate

Description

4 drawings on paper, laminated (1 sheet) : ink ; top image 3.75 x 6 in., middle image 2.5 x 6 in., bottom left image 3.25 x 3.75 in., bottom right image 3.25 x 2.75 in., on sheet 9.5 x 6 in.; Ink drawings of men performing in a talent show on October 3, 1942, including storytelling, singing and a sword dance, with inscriptions in Japanese. Top drawing numbered 4 is a wide view of stage with a man in a suit and glasses, Tanaka, standing behind a cloth covered podium reciting the famous Yakuza story, "Mori no Ishimatsu" ; Japanese characters on podium indicate it is a present from Tanaka Torazo. Heads of audience sketched in foreground ; curtains pulled aside on stage ; picture of pine on right. Middle drawing numbered 5 of a man, Sakai, dressed in a cowboy outfit holding a stick with a horsehead in his proper right hand as he tells a comical story called "Cowboy". A bird sits on a stand between Sakai and a rectangular sign in Japanese characters. Backdrop shows large tree on left and a road and mountains in background ; picture of pine and sun on left. Bottom left drawing numbered 6 of man, Hama, in glasses standing behind podium reciting a song he wrote called "My people in

Alaska". Bottom right drawing numbered 7 of a man, Sakurada, dressed in a hakama performing a sword dance ; fan in his proper left hand and a sword hangs at his waist.

Dimensions

H: 9.5 in, W: 6 in