

Basic Detail Report

[Home Movies of Terminal Island Fashion Show; Wedding; Santa Anita Racetrack and More / circa 1942]

Date

ca. 1942

Primary Maker

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Description

Primarily color home movie footage filmed by Ben Fukuzaki, circa 1942, with one segment in black and white. Footage includes preparation and two fashion shows (one in black and white) held by the Terminal Island Fashion Art School, with Japanese American women and children modeling clothing. Other footage includes horse races and crowds at the Santa Anita Racetrack; a USC vs. University of Tennessee football game (the 1940 Rose Bowl game); more football and band footage; and Christmas celebrations and family life. 0:31 - 1:25 – Introduces the Academy of Fashion Arts and shows some of the plants with banners and furniture within the school building itself 1:26 - 2:02 – shows footage of three women sitting in the building from the footage before; all three women seem to be sitting around lounging around; more footage of the room's furniture and decor is filmed as well; the footage ends with all three women standing outside a building with the "Academy of Fashion Art" sign with the Japanese characters; look to be posing for a photo 2:02 - 5:37 – the beginning of the fashion show footage; "Fashion Show" spelled out in blocks on dark navy paper; the rest of the footage is in black and white and showcases different women walking down the runway modeling 5:38 - 9:15 – the rest of the modeling footage is in color from here; children and women are walking down the runway modeling; the scenery seems to have changed to a more lax environment before 9:15 - 10:07 – footage switches to capture a bride and groom and running down the steps as people throw rice at them; the couple rushes into a car waiting for them at the bottom of the steps; footage also shows bridesmaids and the bride and her father inside the wedding venue as well 10:07 - 10:51 – scene changes to footage of a horse race track; captures footage of the race and also of the park area after the race as well; the footage of the park captures footage of the crowds as well as the people the cameraman was with 10:51 - 13:25 – footage of a football team game; captures the marching band, game footage, 13:25 - 14:20 – footage switches to show a family opening Christmas gifts; two women and a dog are featured in the shot and one of the women is seen starting to unwrap a gift 14:20 - 15:29 – footage of another football game (high school football teams?); shows footage 15:29 – footage switches to now show a dock and an area near the water; it looks somewhat overcast and there are a lot of clouds in the sky; pans to show the dock and then buildings across the body of water (maybe a river?) 15:45 - 17:11 – footage of a child playing in his front yard with some other family members or close family friends 17:12 – the footage is now indoors and the same child is wearing a brown, red, and white long sleeve and is playing with a box; the last clip is the child hiding behind the box Black and white amateur footage of a fashion show held by Terminal Island fashion school (?) shows Japanese American women modeling dresses, suits, evening wear, wedding gowns, and other clothes. One dress strongly resembles the gown worn by Snow White in Walt Disney's animated feature (released in 1937). On the same reel there is color footage of a bride and groom and bridesmaids leaving a church, including some interior scenes which are very poorly lit and indistinct. There is also footage of a USC vs. University of Tennessee football game, Christmas celebrations, and crowds and horse races at the Santa Anita racetrack near Los Angeles prior to World War II.; 1 film reel (403 ft.) : si., col. and b&w ; 16 mm. original pos. , Title supplied by cataloger.

Dimensions

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