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**Finding Aid for the**

**Philip Hugh Stanton Collection, 1978-1993**

**Los Angeles Public Library, Photo Collection**

**Los Angeles, California**

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## **Descriptive Summary**

### **Title**

Philip Hugh Stanton Collection, 1978-1993

### **Collection Number**

General Photo Collection (GPC) boxes 144 - 155

### **Extent**

6 linear feet.

### **Repository**

The Los Angeles Public Library Photo Collection  
Los Angeles, California 90071

### **Abstract**

A collection of approximately 14,000 slides taken by photographer Philip Hugh Stanton at international cultural festivals in Southern California, landmarks in Greece and China, scenery of clouds, sunsets and the moon, college gymnasts and of models participating in the Los Angeles Photo Club. The slides date from 1978 to 1993.

### **Physical Location**

Central Library, LL4, Cold Room storage

## **Administrative Information**

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### **Restrictions on Access**

The collection is stored on-site at the Central Branch of the Los Angeles Public Library. It is open for research by appointment only. Please contact photos@lapl.org.

### **Provenance/Source of Acquisition**

Diana Stanton, niece of Philip Hugh Stanton, donated to LAPL Photo Collection April 11, 2016

### **Preferred Citation**

Philip Hugh Stanton Collection/Los Angeles Public Library Photo Collection

### **Biography/History**

Philip Stanton was born in 1940 and worked as an engineer for Douglas Aircraft and Jet Propulsion Laboratory. In 1977, at the age of 37, he studied photography at the Otis Art Institute and began taking pictures as a hobby. Despite his skill and professional equipment, he never worked as a contract photographer, nor sold any of his work, but would occasionally project his slides for friends and family. His interest in cultural festivals is the focus of his work, and chose subjects that allowed him to creatively work with color, such as the colorful costumes and adornments worn by the performers, dramatic sunsets, and deep blue oceans.

### **Scope and Content**

The Philip Hugh Stanton collection contains approximately 14,000 slides and 19 prints, 8 of which have been mounted on heavy card stock, taken from 1978 to 1993. The collection features the many cultural festivals occurring in Southern California during this period, and reflects the population's diversity in the greater Los Angeles area, with countries such as Japan, Mexico, Indonesia, Greece, Korea and China represented. Stanton also captured the activities occurring at the festivals, such as parades, performances, cooking and crafts. His original slide boxes contained handwritten notes relating to the type of film he used and his exposure readings, and with his formal training in photography and sophisticated camera equipment, it is assumed that he was attracted to these events for the vivid colors of the traditional costumes and instruments used by the performers. Also in the collection are slides of the moon, inspired by his work at Jet Propulsion Laboratory, visits to China, Hawaii and Greece, models working at the Photo Clubs, and gymnasts practicing at UCLA.

### **Organization and Arrangement**

The slides in the collection arrived in their original processing boxes with minimal identifying information written on them; some boxes had no such markings. The slides were rehoused in slotted plastic sleeves, each holding up to 20 slides, placed in acid-free folders and kept in acid-free boxes. The sleeved slides are arranged in alphabetical order according to festival or subject name, and in chronological order under that heading. Each sleeve and folder is marked with the GPC filing accession codes.

## **Items Removed from the Collection**

None.

## **Related Materials**

10 oversized 7x10 prints from selected slides, matted on 11x14 cardstock , are housed in a folder in the last box, GPC box 155, folder 6.

## **Container List**

### **GPC Box 144**

Folder 1: Asian Pacific Festival, Loyola Marymount 1980, sheets 1-16

Folder 2: American Youth Soccer Association 1979, sheets 1-4, Banjo & Fife, sheet 5

Folder 3: Boat & Beach, 1978-1979, sheets 1-8

Folder 4: China 1986, sheets 1-7

Folder 5: Chinese New Year 1979, sheets 1-4

Folder 6: Cinco De Mayo, Westwood 1979, sheets 1-8; Clouds 1979, sheet 9; CSUN gymnastics, sheets 10-11

Folder 7: Dance Festival, UCLA, 1979, sheets 1-14

Folder 8: Dance Festival, UCLA, 1983, sheets 1-10

Folder 9: Dance Festival, UCLA, 1984-1985, sheets 1-18

### **GPC Box 145**

Folder 1: Disneyland, Anaheim, 1978-1979, sheets 1-16

Folder 2: Dragon Boat Festival, 1979, sheets 1-12

Folder 3: Fashion Photo Club, UCLA, 1980, sheets 1-8

Folder 4: Freeway, sheets 1-2, Greece 1979, sheets 3-13

Folder 5: Greek Festival, 1978, sheets 1-14

Folder 6: Greek Easter Picnic, Pomona Fairgrounds, 1979, sheets 1-3

Folder 7: Hawaiian Festival, Pomona Fairgrounds, 1979-1980, sheets 1-6

Folder 8: Hermosa Beach, 1980, sheet 1; Hispanic Festival, West Los Angeles, 1979, sheets 2-6

### **GPC Box 146**

Folder 1: Indian Dance Festival, West Los Angeles, 1979, sheet 1; Indonesia Festival 1979-1981, sheets 2-7; Ital Jet, 1979, sheet 8.

Folder 2: International Festival, Long Beach, 1979-1981, sheets 1-33

Folder 3: International Festival, Long Beach & Marina Del Rey, 1981-1982, sheets 1-7

Folder 4: International Festival, UCLA 1980-1981, sheets 1-24

Folder 5: International Festival, West Los Angeles, sheets 1-8

### **GPC Box 147**

Folder 1: Japan Festival, Disneyland, 1980, sheets 1-4; Japan Festival, Gardena, 1980-1981, sheets 5-12; Japan Festival, Little Tokyo, 1980, sheets 13-14; Japan Festival, San Francisco, 1983, sheets 15-18; Japan Festival UCLA, 1984, sheet 19; Japan Festival, Venice, 1980-1981, sheets 20-22; Japan Festival, West Los Angeles 1981, sheets 23-26; Japan Festival (no location) 1984-1996, sheets 27-38.

Folder 2: Korean Festival, 1979, sheets 1-7

Folder 3: Korean Festival, Triforium, Los Angeles, 1980, sheets 1-5; Korean Festival, Paramount, Los Angeles, 1980, sheets 6-7

Folder 4: Korean Parade, 1980, sheets 1-3; Little Tokyo, Los Angeles, 1990, sheets 4-6; Los Angeles Bicentennial Festival, 1981, sheets 7-10

Folder 5: Los Angeles Festival, 1978, sheets 1-4

### **GPC Box 148**

Folder 1: Los Angeles Photo Center, Los Angeles, 1978-1980, sheets 1-22

Folder 2: Los Angeles Photo Center, Dockweiler Beach, 1979, sheets 1-10; Los Angeles Photo Day, 1979, sheets 11-14

Folder 3: Los Angeles Street Scene, 1980-1983, sheets 1-13

Folder 4: Lotus Festival, 1980-1983, sheets 1-18

Folder 5: Magic Mountain, 1978, sheets 1-4; Malibu Swamp, 1978, sheet 5; Marineland, 1980, sheets 6-8

Folder 6: Mask Festival, Los Angeles, 1980-1982, sheets 1-16

### **GPC Box 149**

Folder 1: Mexican Dance Festival, UCLA, 1979-1980, sheets 1-14

Folder 2: Mexican Dance Festival, UCLA, 1981, sheets 1-12

Folder 3: Mexican Dance Festival, UCLA, 1982, sheets 1-14; Mexican Dance Festival, Ing (possibly Inglewood) 1982, sheets 15-17;

Folder 4: Mexican Dance Festival, UCLA, 1983, sheets 1-12

Folder 5: Mexican Festival, West Los Angeles, 1979-1980, sheets 1-19; Mexican Festival (no location) 1983, sheets 20-22

Folder 6: Mikoshi Parade, 1979, sheets 1-6

### **GPC Box 150**

Folder 1: Models, 1978, sheets 1-16

Folder 2: Models, 1978-1980, sheets 1-22

Folder 3: Models, 1981-1982, sheets 1-14

Folder 4: Models, 1982, sheets 1-19

Folder 5: Models, 1983-1985, sheets 1-12

### **GPC Box 151**

Folder 1: Moon, 1979-1990, sheets 1-4; Mostar, sheets 1-6

Folder 2: Nisei Week, 1978-1979, sheets 1-15

Folder 3: Nisei Week, 1980, sheets 1-15

Folder 4: Nisei Week, 1981-1982, sheets 1-12

Folder 5: Nisei Week, 1983, sheets 1-13

Folder 6: Nisei Week, 1984-1985, sheets 1-19

### **GPC Box 152**

Folder 1: Obon Festival, Anaheim, 1982, sheets 1-4; Obon Festival, Gardena, 1983-1984, sheets 4-8

Folder 2: Obon Festival, San Francisco, 1979-1984, sheets 1-16

Folder 3: Obon Festival, Venice, 1979, sheets 1-10

Folder 4: Obon Festival, West Covina, 1978, sheets 1-2; Obon Festival, West Los Angeles, 1978-1983, sheets 1-21

Folder 5: Obon Festival, West Los Angeles, 1984-1987, sheets 1-12

Folder 6: Ocean, 1979, Sheet 1; Olvera Street, 1980-1981, sheets 2-8

### **GPC Box 153**

Folder 1: Photo Club, Los Angeles, 1980, sheets 1-7

Folder 2: Photo Festival, Pearson Park, Anaheim, 1980-1982, sheets 1-11

Folder 3: Photo Festival, Gardena, 1979-1984, sheets 1-15

Folder 4: Photo Festival, Fullerton, 1979, sheets 1-10; Photo Festival, Pasadena, 1980, sheets 11-13

Folder 5: Photo Festival, Seal Beach, 1980-1983, sheets 1-20

Folder 6: Santa Monica Mountain Folk Festival, 1982, sheets 1-10

Folder 7: Santa Ynez Festival, 1980, sheets 1-5

### **GPC Box 154**

Folder 1: Spain Festival, Santa Barbara, 1980, sheets 1-10

Folder 2: Sunset & Sunrise, 1980, sheets 1-11

Folder 3: Tennis, L.A. Forum, 1979, sheets 1-2; UCLA Gymnastics, 1979-1980, sheets 3-11

Folder 4: UCLA Gymnastics, 1981, sheets 1-14

Folder 5: UCLA Gymnastics, 1982-1984, sheets 1-16

Folder 6: UCLA Lighting, 1983, sheets 1-3

**GPC Box 155**

Folder 1: United Nations Day Festival, Westwood, 1978, sheets 1-10

Folder 2: Valley Bicentennial, 1980, sheets 1-8

Folder 3: Unidentified Models, 1978-1985, sheets 1-8

Folder 4: Unidentified Nature, 1978, sheets 1-4; Unidentified Sunset & Bike, 1979, sheet 5; Unidentified Abstract, 1980, sheet 6; Unidentified Gymnasium, 1981, sheet 7, Unidentified People, 1986, sheet 8; Unidentified Buildings, 1980, sheet 9; Unidentified Scenery, 1980, sheets 10-12

Folder 5: Unidentified Festivals, 1978-1993, sheets 1-29