



Yolo County Historical Collection

NEWSLETTER

This Month the Yolo County Historical Collection took objects from the collection to the library branches to celebrate Mexican American Heritage in Yolo County. Displays were installed at the Davis, Clarksburg, West Sacramento, Esparto, Knights Landing, and Yolo. The exhibit will be up during the full month of September in Clarksburg, West Sacramento, Esparto, Knights Landing and Yolo. It will be up in Davis until September 16th.

Upcoming Events:

Objects from the Yolo County Historical Collection will be on display in the Yolo County Administration Building as a part of Latino/a Heritage Month. The display will be up for the month of September and into the beginning of October.

The Evolution of Sound is still up at the Gibson House. Come in and see what music and sound was like before the streaming era.



Collections Object Spotlight

No. 2-C Autographic Kodak Jr.
YO1-133-21

Gift of Dorothy Bigelow

The Autographic Kodak Jr. came out in 1914 and allowed users to not only take portraits and photographs but to also write on the images using the included stylus. This camera folds out making it much more compact than its boxy predecessors and takes 120 film.



This Kodak Junior was made in 1920 which means that it has the Ball Bearing Shutter patented in 1913. This special shutter falls under the category of leaf shutters which work by having a small number of overlapping metal leaves which open and close to expose the film to light and imprint the subject matter onto it. This camera also has a screw mount for a remote which meant that the photo could be taken from a distance if need be. The remote cable also meant that the artist could take a self portrait if they so desired. Ball Bearing shutters also included a 10 blade diaphragm which allows for more precis adjustments of light intensity. The typical point and shoot film camera only consists of 2 blades.

Open Hours:

Tuesday and Thursday 12-4pm

Every Third Saturday from 8 am to 4pm

Schedule a research appointment today!

Appointments available Tuesdays and

Thursdays from 8 am to 12 pm

Before



Process



After



Conservation updates

The portrait frames from the Yolo County Historical Collection are nearing the end of the conservation work. You can see all the progress that has been done at

<https://www.tuststudio.com/yolocountyframerestoration>. This piece, YO1-04-02 is the most recent transformation.