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VI FILMS & VIDEOTAPES

Al Sanderson [Videotape]

Producer: Seattle Folklore Society in cooperation with KCTS-TV, Seattle, Washington Location: John Ullman, Seattle Folklore Society

Fiddler performs a number of tunes. Currently on videotape, to be transferred to film

Benny Thomasson [60 minutes - 1-inch reel videotape - b & w - 1976]
Producer: Michael Mendelson

Location: John Edwards Memorial Foundation.

Texas fiddler playing hoedowns, waltzes, rags, cross-tuning, etc. Not available for distribution

The Country Fiddle: No. 1 [18 minutes - 16 mm - b & w - 1959]

Producer: Pete & Toshi Seeger/Folklore Research Films

Distributors: Film Images

Audio Brandon Films

Pennsylvania State University (Order #31711 - rental only).

Oklahoma fiddling contest; short segments of French-Canadian Jean Carignan; other fiddlers.

<u>Creative Hands</u> [12 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1972]

Producer: Sargon Tamina

Distributors: Filmfair Communications

University of Iowa (Order #30308 - rental only)

Three folk artists: one who makes dolls; one sculptor; one who makes musical instruments.

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Distributor: Audio Brandon Films

Focuses on Dillard Chandler, ballad singer with banjo and fiddle.

The Fiddler [25 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1974]

Producer: Tom Doades & Marshall Riggan

Distributor: Counterpoint Films

riddle making and playing.

Fiddler's Grove [25 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1974]
Producer: Dana Hodgson

Distributor: Northwestern University Film Library

Old-Time Fiddler's and Bluegrass Convention held in Union Grove, North Carolina in the spring of 1973.

Fifty Miles From Times Square [45 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1973]

Distributor: John Cohen

Life in Putnam County, focusing on local history, fiddle music and square dance callers as related to the changing lifestyles of the 1970's.

Instruments for Folk Songs [21 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1959]

Producer: Housing Foundation

Distributor: University of Michigan (rental only)

Jimmie Driftwood demonstrates use of fiddle, guitar, "mouth-bow", and how early Americans made their own music. From Jimmie Driftwood series.

<u>Le Reel du Pendu</u> [58 1/2 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1972] Producer: National Film Board of Canada

Distributor: National Film Board of Canada

Available in French only. Filmed in Louisiana, Acadia and Quebec. Fiddle, guitar, harmonica and accordion players.

Mike Seeger [Videotape]

Producer: Seattle Folklore Society in cooperation with KCTS-TV, Seattle Washington.

Location: John Ullman, Seattle Folklore Society

A few fiddle tunes. Currently on videotape, to be transferred to film.

Music Makers of the Blue Ridge [48 minutes - 16 mm - b & w - 1966]

Producer: NET

Distributors: Indiana University (Order #RS-697)

Pennsylvania State University (Order #50248 - rental only)

Samples of song, dance, tunes of the Blue Ridge Mountains of Western North Carolina. Bascom Lamar Lunsford is host.

Music of Williamsburg [40 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1961]

Producer: Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

Distributor: Colonial Williamsburg Foundation

Re-creates the musical life of colonial times. Also available in a short version (29 minutes) from McGraw-Hill Films (Order #600502-X).

Say, Old Man, Can You Play the Fiddle? [20 minutes - 16 mm - b & w - 1971]

Producer: Bess Lomax Hawes & Barbara Lapan Rahm.

Distributor: Film Images

Earl Collins, championship fiddle player, performs six fiddle tunes.

Shadows of the Long Ago and Far Away [3 reels - 16 mm]
Producers: Pete & Toshi Seeger

Distributor: Pete & Toshi Seeger, Box 431, Beacon, N. Y. 12508

Music and folklore, including fiddling.

Sittin' On Top of the World: At the Fiddlers' Convention Producer: Sandra Sutton & Max Kalmanowicz [24 minutes - 16 mm - color (sepia) - 1973]

Distributors: Phoenix Films

Viewfinders, Inc. (Rental only)

Documentary of the oldest and largest bluegrass music festival in the United States, held in the Smokey Mountains of North Carolina.

<u>Timepiece: A Recollection of Rural Faces</u> [20 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1971]

Producer: James Alvis

Distributor: Texas State Historical Association

Six vignettes of disappearing rural life, including one on an old-time fiddler.

Tommy Jarrell [30 minutes - 1-inch reel videotape - b & w - 1975]

Producer: Nancy Dols Location: John Edwards Memorial Foundation

North Carolina fiddler performing a number of tunes. Not available for distribution.

Tomorrow's People Producer: [25 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1973]

Distributor: Appalshop

Mountain culture, including music.

The Violin Maker [30 minutes - 16 mm - color - 1973]
Producer: Southern Illinois University

Distributors: ACI Media, Inc.

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Work and life of Jack Blatts, violin maker of Johnson City, Illinois.

<u>Violin</u> <u>Maker</u> (<u>In</u> <u>Praise</u> of <u>Hands</u>) [12 minutes - 16 mm - b & w - 1972]

Producer: Zagreb

Distributor: BFA Educational Media (Order #11204)

Portrays an artisan at work; an old man building a violin.

west Virginia State Folk Festival [60 minutes - 3/4-inch cassette videotape - color - 1974]

Producer: Carl Fleischhauer/WWVU-TV, Morgantown, West Virginia

Distributor: Public Television Library

Fiddle, banjo, singing, recorded at Glenville, West Virginia, June 1973.

"SONS OF PIONEERS DAY" FETE BRINGS JEMF \$1000

On 24 September 1976, Los Angeles Radio Station KLAC sponsored "Sons of the Pioneers Day" in Hollywood. The day's activities included a morning ceremony marking the placement of a star for the western singing group in the Hollywood Walk of Fame on Hollywood Blvd. In the evening a sellout audience attended a concert at the Hollywood Palladium featuring all the living Pioneers, past and present, and many other well-known names in the history of western music in Southern California. The Friends of the JEMF sponsored two awards: The Uncle Art Satherley award, given this year to Roy Rogers for contributions to the country music industry; and the new Gene Autry Award, given to the Sons of the Pioneers for their contributions to western music. From the evening's proceeds, KLAC's station manager Bill Ward donated \$1000 to the JEMF.