

TLN Productions Discover America South Dakota Videos

Collection Summary

Identifier: MA 61

Title: TLN Productions Discover America South Dakota Videos

Dates: 1998, 2003, undated

Extent: 1.0 linear feet (1 record box)

Creator: TLN Productions (Firm)

Language: English

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Abstract

TLN Productions, Inc., a television production company based in West Palm Beach, Florida, specialized in travel and destination programming that highlighted communities, landscapes and cultural heritage across the U.S. Through the Discover America series, the company collaborated with tourism agencies and local organizations to produce television segments promoting regional attractions and travel destinations.

This collection consists of 11 BetacamSP videotapes and five DVDs created by TLN Productions, Inc., as part of the Discover America travel series, a television program developed to promote tourism and highlight regional attractions throughout the United States. Produced during the late 1990s and early 2000s, the recordings document locations and

cultural sites in South Dakota, including Lake Andes, Fort Randall Casino, Aberdeen and areas associated with the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate. The materials include both edited segments and raw production footage capturing regional landscapes, tourism destinations, community events and cultural activities intended for broadcast within the program.

The recordings represent the production materials created during TLN Productions' filming in South Dakota and document the company's efforts to promote the state through travel programming. The footage provides visual documentation of South Dakota communities, landscapes and tourism destinations at the time of filming.

Biography

TLN Productions, Inc., based in West Palm Beach, Florida, was a television production company active during the late twentieth and early twenty-first centuries that specialized in travel, outdoor recreation, and destination programming. The company produced and distributed a variety of television segments and series highlighting landscapes, communities, cultural heritage, and tourism opportunities throughout the United States. TLN Productions frequently collaborated with tourism agencies, local communities, and regional organizations to film locations and develop programming designed to promote travel and public interest in particular destinations.

Among the company's projects was the travel series Discover America, a program that featured locations across the United States and introduced viewers to regional attractions, historic sites, natural landscapes, and recreational activities. Episodes and segments were filmed on location and incorporated interviews, scenic footage, and coverage of local cultural and tourism destinations. The series was created as a travel-promotion program intended to showcase the diversity of American regions and encourage tourism.

During the late 1990s and early 2000s, TLN Productions filmed several segments in South Dakota for inclusion in the Discover America series. Filming documented communities, cultural sites, and recreational destinations across the state, including areas such as Lake Andes, Aberdeen, Fort Randall Casino, and locations associated with the Sisseton Wahpeton Oyate. The footage captured landscapes, community events, tourism facilities, and regional attractions intended to highlight South Dakota as a travel destination.

The resulting recordings represent the production materials created during the filming of these segments. They document the work of TLN Productions in promoting regional tourism through television programming and provide visual documentation of South Dakota communities and attractions at the time of filming.

Scope and Content

This collection consists of 11 Betacam video tapes and 5 DVDs created by TLN Productions as part of their Discover America series, which promoted tourism across the United States. The footage focuses on events and scenery in South Dakota, particularly highlighting Lake Andes, the Ft. Randall Casino, Aberdeen, and the Sisseton Wahpeton Tribe. Materials include both edited and raw footage documenting regional culture, landscapes, and community life.

Access Points

Subjects

- Indians of North America--Social life and customs

Names

- TLN Productions (Firm)

Places

- South Dakota--Aberdeen
- South Dakota--Lake Andes

Genre

- Audiovisual
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Container List

Box	Description	Date(s)
1	Aberdeen, South Dakota DVD	undated
1	Discover America Raw Footage: Aberdeen, South Dakota Tape 1 of 4	1998
1	Discover America Raw Footage: Aberdeen, South Dakota Tape 2 of 4	1998
1	Discover America Raw Footage: Aberdeen, South Dakota Tape 3 of 4	1998
1	Discover America Raw Footage: Aberdeen, South Dakota Tape 4 of 4	1998
1	Discover America Raw Footage: Sisseton Wahpeton Tribe Tape 2 of 3	2003
1	Discover America Raw Footage: Sisseton Wahpeton Tribe Tape 3 of 3	2003
1	Ft. Randall Casino Tape 1 of 5	undated
1	Ft. Randall Casino Tape 2 of 5	undated
1	Ft. Randall Casino Tape 3 of 5	undated
1	Ft. Randall Casino Tape 4 of 5	undated
1	Ft. Randall Casino Tape 5 of 5	undated
1	Lake Andes, Ft. Randall, South Dakota DVD	undated
1	Lake Andes, South Dakota DVD	undated
1	Lake Andes, South Dakota DVD	undated
1	Sisseton Wahpeton Tribe, South Dakota DVD	undated