

Gift of Ted Shimizu, 2014.

Dates: 1898-1999.

Extent: 1.8 m of textual and visual records (13 boxes).

Scope and Content: Contains official documents, newspaper clippings, photographs and other biographical material related to the life of Japanese Canadian Hide Shimizu and her family members. Includes awards from the Order of Canada, the Order of the Precious Crown (the Government of Japan) and the National Association of Japanese Canadians (NAJC).

Biographical Sketch: Hide Shimizu (née Hyodo) was born in Vancouver on May 11, 1908 to parents Hideichi Hyodo and Toshi Hyodo. Hide completed her grade school education and teacher's training in Vancouver, B.C. At age 18, she was the first and only Japanese Canadian to hold a teaching certificate. From 1926-1944 she taught classes of Japanese Canadian students at Lord Byng school in Steveston, B.C. She was instrumental in organizing the education of Japanese Canadian students in B.C. throughout the Canadian Government's WWII Japanese internment programme. Following the war, Hide moved to Ontario where she married Rev. Kosaburo Shimizu in 1948. In Ontario, Hide became an active member of several Japanese Canadian interest groups, including the Nisei Church Board, the Nisei Women's Club, the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre (JCCC) and the Japanese Canadian Citizen's Association (JCCA), the Momiji Health Care Society and the Nipponia Home for Japanese Canadian seniors.

Hide would later be recognized by the Canadian Government's Women's History Month as the first Japanese Canadian teacher. She was admitted to the Order of Canada in 1982 for her outstanding contributions to early Japanese Canadian education, and awarded the Order of the Precious Crown by the Japanese Government in 1983. Hide was also formally recognized by the NAJC and other Japanese Canadian groups for her lifelong contributions to Japanese Canadian society. She died in 1999 at the age of 91.

Source: "Hide Shimizu Memorial Scholarship," National Association of Japanese Canadians Toronto Chapter,
<http://www.torontonajc.ca/2014/02/16/hide-shimizu-memorial-scholarship/>

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Arrangement:

Series 1: Newspaper clippings and biographical material, [192-?]-1999.

Series 2: Order of Canada and other awards, ca. 1982.

Series 3: Photo albums and scrapbooks, [192-?] to 1999.

Series 4: Family documents (Hide Shimizu's parents, Hideichi and Toshi Hyodo), 1898-[1961?]

Notes: Titles, unless given in square brackets, have been taken from the original material / containers.

Series 1: Biographical material, 1926-1999.				
Box	Folder	Title	Contents	Date(s)
1	1	[Birth certificate]	Hide Hyodo's birth certificate with photograph, Vancouver B.C., dated April 1926.	1926 April
1	2-10	[School reports and certificates]	Report cards, evaluations, certificates and diplomas from Hide's high school and teacher training in B.C.	1922-1938
1	11	[Teaching evaluations]	British Columbia Teacher's Federation and Department of Education teaching evaluations.	1926-1942

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1	12-15	[Biographical material]	Newspaper clippings, biographical matter prepared by HS herself and others; 6 photographs.	1982-1999
1	16	[Obituary and funeral programme]	Clipping of HS's obituary, plus a dry-mounted copy; copies of funeral programme.	1999
1	17-18	<i>Nikkei Voice</i> [newspaper]	3 issues.	1988-1992
1	19	Faces of Redress Video Oral History: Hide Shimizu	Transcription of video oral history recording of HS, "taped in English, Toronto, November 26, 1989". Details HS's life growing up and teaching in Japanese Canadian internment camps in B.C. 15 pages. 3 copies.	1989 November 16
1	20	Women's History Month / Eaton's Celebrates Canadian Women	Newspaper clippings, pamphlets, correspondence and 1 photograph related to Government of Canada's Women's History Month and Eaton's Celebrates Canadian Women photo display, which included Hide Shimizu as "the first Japanese Canadian to teach in Canada..."	1975-1993
1	21	[Momiji Health Care Society certificate of appreciation]	Certificate thanking HS for her volunteer involvement in the society's programmes.	1975 April 29
1	22-24	[Lord Byng school heritage garden dedication material]	Correspondence, newspaper clippings, programmes and other printed matter related to a garden dedicated to HS on May 7, 1997 at Lord Byng Elementary School, Richmond B.C.	ca. 1997
1		[Lord Byng school heritage garden dedication photo album]	1 album with colour photographs and captions.	1997

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1	25	[Correspondence]	Photocopy of autograph letter from Betty Huff to "Joan," with a copy of letter from Kazuko Iwasa (Umemoto) to Betty Huff, regarding HS.	1997
1		Mr. Hyodo (original)	7" reel magnetic tape (audio recording).	[19--?]
1	27	Prayer book	1 book (Japanese).	[19--?]
1		[Four purple buttons]	Four cloth-covered buttons.	[n.d.]
Series 2: Order of Canada and other awards, ca. 1982.				
Box	Folder	Title	Contents	Date(s)
1	28-37	[Order of Canada material]	Nomination letters, ceremony programmes, photographs, newspaper clippings and correspondence related to HS's award of the Order of Canada in 1982. (Order of Canada certificate located on Shelf; medal located in Box 2).	1982-1983
1	38-40	Testimonial Dinner in Honour of Mrs. Hide Shimizu, C.M. material	Programme and other printed matter related to dinner held in HS's honour by the Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre (J.C.C.C.).	1983 January 15
1	41	[Order of the Precious Crown award material]	Newspaper clippings and letter related to award from the Japanese government. (Order of the Precious Crown certificate located on shelf; medal located in Box 2).	1983

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2		[Award medals]	Order of Canada and Order of the Precious Crown medals, in original containers; 7 th World Education Conference pin; award for contribution to the National Association of Japanese Canadians (NAJC) Senior's Conference, Oct. 5-6, 1989; Canadian Confederation medal 1867-1992	1982-1992
	Shelf	[Order of Canada certificate]		1982
	Shelf	[Order of the Precious Crown certificate]		1983
	Shelf	A Letter of Appreciation	Letter from the National Association of Japanese Canadians (NAJC) Toronto Chapter.	1990 February
Series 3: Photo albums and scrapbooks, [192-?] to 1999.				
Box	Folder	Title	Contents	Date(s)
3-4		[Early personal and family photo albums]	4 photo albums with various personal, family and travel photographs (black and white) from B.C., Ontario and Japan. Includes photographs from HS's time teaching in B.C.	[1920-1950?]
5		[Japan trip photo album]	Photo album and some loose photos (black and white) from trip to Japan.	ca. 1937
6		[Personal and family photo albums]	2 albums with various personal, family and travel photographs (black and white) from B.C. Second album is heavily damaged with many photographs missing.	[1939-1950?]

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7		[World Education Conference scrapbook]	Scrapbook dedicated to Hide Shimizu's participation in the 7 th World Education Conference or the World Federation Education Associations (WFEA) in August 1937. Contains: envelopes from farewell gifts (senbetsu); letters from the B.C. Teacher's Association; pamphlets from events attended in Toyko; newspaper clippings about the conference and other souvenirs.	1937
8		Seventh World Education Conference, Tokyo 1937	Album commemorating the World Education Conference held in Toyko, 1937. Photographs with captions feature the international conference delegates at various events. 2 copies, copy 2 lacks captions.	1937
9		[Order of Canada scrapbook]	Photo album with Order of Canada related photographs, clippings and other souvenirs.	[ca. 1982?]
9		A photographic souvenir of the testimonial dinner in honour of Mrs. Hide Shimizu, C.M., Saturday January 15 th , 1983, Japanese Canadian Cultural Centre, presented to Mrs. Shimizu by the U.C.W.	Photo album with photographs, souvenirs and other printed matter relating to the dinner.	1983
10		[Loose photographs and negatives, small]	Loose photographs and negatives from various years.	[193-?]-1999
11	1-14	[Loose photographs and negatives, large]	Loose photographs and negatives from various years, colour and black and white.	[193-?]-1999

Series 4: Hideichi and Toshi Hyodo (Hide Shimizu's parents) material, 1898-1972				
Box	Folder	Title	Contents	Date(s)
12	1-3	[Biographical material]	Letter and timeline of Hideichi Hyodo's life, prepared by Mas Hyodo.	[19--?]
12	4-9	[Emigration documents]	Emigration documents; Canadian Citizenship certificates; vaccination records; proof of death letter for Hideichi.	[1910?]-1968
12	10	[Employment letters]	Letters of reference for Hideichi Hyodo from various employers.	1898-1943
12	11-16	[Aki Esther Hyodo documents]	Birth certificate, death and burial documents, correspondence relating to Aki Esther Hyodo d. May 27 th , 1944 (daughter of Hideichi Hyodo).	1944-1952
12	17-23	[Documents pertaining to other family members]	School certificates and copy of will of Wesley Hyodo; copies of birth certificate and will of Kazuo? Sasaki; funeral documents for Ann C. Sasaki; marriage license (Japanese) of Eichi Hyodo; shipping permit? (Japanese).	1898-1968
12	24-28	[Financial, property and tax documents]	Mortgage statements, real estate documents, bank account records and tax forms from various years	1965-1972
12	29	[Medical insurance forms]	Medical insurance claim forms for Toshi Hyodo.	1966-1972

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12	30-33	[Personal notebooks]	Notebook, 2 pocket calendars, 2 address books.	[1966?]-1971
12	34	[Miscellaneous receipts]		[19--?]
12	35-36	[Loose photographs and postcards]	7 photographs, with negatives, and 3 blank postcards.	[19--?]
12	37-39	[Miscellaneous material (Japanese)]	TV schedule; Japanese language practice book and a religious card.	[19--?]
12		To Canada 1964	2" reel magnetic tape (audio recording)	[19--?]
13	1-22	[Correspondence]	Letters sent and received by Hideichi and Toshi Hyodo, in English and Japanese, arranged alphabetically.	[19--?]