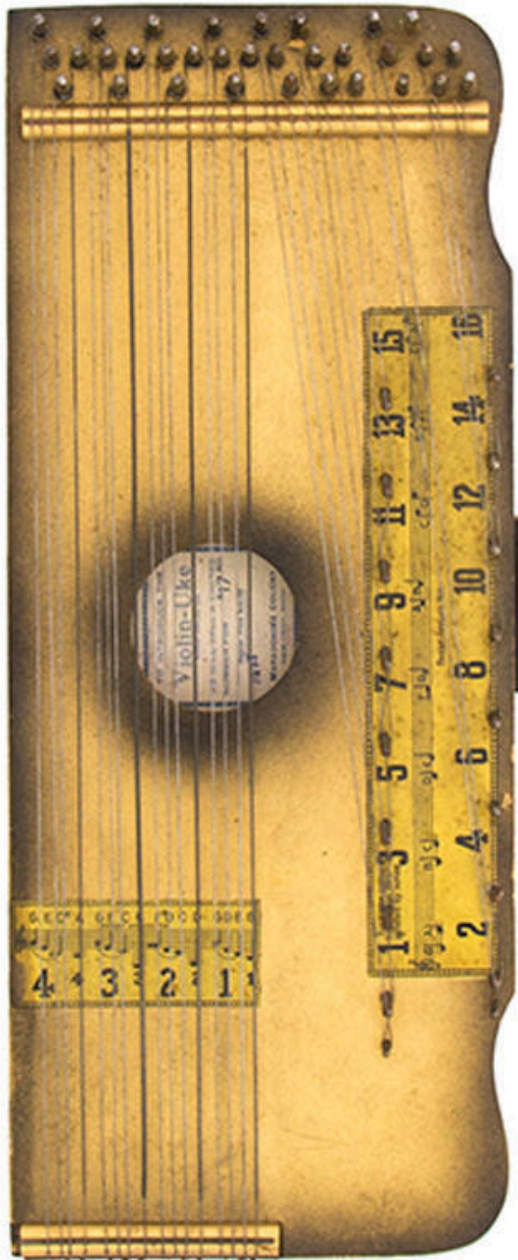


Basic Detail Report



mm.)

Violin-uke

Date

1929-1938 ca.

Primary Maker

Marxochime Colony

Description

An "American numerical zither," played by bowing the melody strings and plucking the chord strings. Unlike other violin-ukes, this instrument is in the shape of a rectangle, and the strings are arranged in fashion similar to that of a pianolin, although not chromatic. Body made of wood, with all surfaces flat. Back is painted black; rest of instrument is colored gold, with black air-brushing around the edges and soundhole. Metal tuning, positioning, and hitch pins. A rectangle of wood screwed onto one side and which rotates around screw, serves as prop. Sixteen chord strings, in groups of four on left side and arranged parallel to top, with hitch pins at foot of instrument. Sixteen melody strings on right side run at an angle to top and are held by positioning pins on instrument top. All tuning pins are at the top of the instrument. tuning pins: chord | melody melody decal: black on gold soundhole melody decal chord decal chord decal: black on gold-brown background

Dimensions

18 1/4 in. (46.4 cm.) x 7 1/4 in. (18.5 cm.) x 1 1/4 in. (33