

The Australian Women's Register

Entry type: Person
Entry ID: AWE6026

Robinson, Miss

Occupation Photographer

Summary

Miss Robinson was the manager and proprietor of the Melbourne branch of an American photography firm which operated in the 1860s.

Details

Little is known of Miss Robinson prior to her work at the American photography firm Tuttle & Co's Melbourne branch, where she employed 25 staff.

The theatrical photograph *Nellie Stewart, Ida Osborne* and *Little Forde in the First Australian Performance of 'The Mikado'* is attributed to Tuttle & Co, 1886. The three actresses appear dressed in oriental dress, posing as Japanese women. The image has a strong Orientalist quality, drawing from the West's stereotypical depictions of Asian people that were prevalent during the time.

Collections

Mitchell Library, State Library of New South Wales

Events

1860 -

Active as professional photographer

Published resources

Book Section

Miss Robinson, Kerr, Joan, 1995

Edited Book

Heritage : the national women's art book, 500 works by 500 Australian women artists from colonial times to 1955, Kerr, Joan, 1995

Author Details

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