# The Australian Women's Register

**Entry ID:** Person AWE6026

# Robinson, Miss

**Occupation** Professional 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**

1970 -

#### 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**

Anne Maxwell (with Morfia Grondas and Lucy Van)

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