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Alumni Association
Alumni
Arte Johnson Papers, 1953-2022

Box 1: VHS Tapes

Television VHS Tapes:

Laugh-In Episodes:

Laugh-In #1, 1968

Laugh-In #2, 1968

Laugh-In #3, 1968

Laugh-In #4, 1968

Laugh-In #5, 1968

Laugh-In Shows #6-11, 1968

Laugh-In Shows #12-17, 1968

Laugh-In Shows #18-23, 1968

Laugh-In Shows #24-29, 1968-69

Laugh-In Sock it to Me Tour, ca. 1968

Laugh-In Shows #30-35, 1969

Laugh-In Shows #36-41, 1969

Laugh-In Shows #42-47, 1969

Laugh-In Shows #48-53, 1969

Laugh-In Shows #54-59, 1969-70

Laugh-In Bee Gee's Music Video, 1969

Laugh-In Shows #60-65, 1970

Laugh-In Shows #66-71, 1970

Laugh-In Outtakes, 1983

Laugh-In 25th Anniversary Special, 1993 (2 copies)

Note: Archival footage

Laugh-In Past Christmas Present, 1993

Laugh-In Past Christmas Present and Valentine's Day Special, 1993-94

Note: Arte is in the Christmas special but not the Valentine's Day one

Laugh-In "Arte Johnson" Clip Show, 2001

Laugh-In Shorts Cut by Gisela, 2001

Laugh-In Artie Johnson, 2003

Laugh-In Artie Johnson, 2006

Laugh-In, undated (6 copies)

Laugh-In Clips with Arte Johnson, undated

Box 2: VHS Tapes

Television VHS Tapes:

Laugh-In Episodes:

Laugh-In Clips with Arte Johnson, undated (2 copies)

Laugh-In 2nd Tape, undated

Ruth Buzzi and Arte Johnson "Very Interesting" and "Don't Futz Around,"
undated (4 copies of 45 LP Vinyls)

TV Episodes/Shows:

The A-Team, 1985

Note: Episode is called, "Uncle Buckle-Up"

Airwolf, 1985 (2 copies)

The Andy Williams Show, 1969-70

The Andy Williams Show #1, 1969-70

The Andy Williams Show #2, 1969-70

Arte Johnson Special, 1983

Café Americain, 1993

Celebrity Petcapades Tape #2, 1991

The Danny Thomas Show, 1956

Note: Show previously called "Make Room for Daddy"

The Dick Van Dyke Show, 1966

Note: Episode is called, "I Do Not Choose to Run."

Dukes of Hazzard, 1979

Fame, 1983

Fantasy Island, 1978-81

Fantasy Island and The Magical World of Disney, 1981-82

Note: Fantasy Island episode, "Kid Corey," and Magical World episode, "Apple Dumpling Gang."

Games People Play, 1980-81

General Hospital, 1991

Glen Campbell Goodtime Hour with Petula Clark, 1971

Glitter, 1984-85

Hollywood Squares, 1968-80

Note: Unable to determine which episodes are contained within this tape.

Imagine That: Great Moments in History, 1983

Justice League Unlimited, 2004

Loveboat, 1980

Note: Episode is "Another Time, Another Place..."

Loveboat, 1984

Note: Episode is "The Crew's Cruise Director..."

Merv Griffin Show, 1976

Misterjaws, 1976

Night Gallery, 1971

The Nitwits, 1977

Opryland Celebrates 200 Years of America's Music, 1988

Box 3: VHS Tapes

Television VHS Tapes:

TV Episodes/Shows:

Pros and Cons, 1991 (2 copies)

Note: Episode is, "It's the Pictures that got Small."

The Tonight Show Starring Johnny Carson with Don Rickles, 1978

Twilight Zone, Night Gallery, and Love American Style, 1961, 1969, 1971

Where are They Now Interview, 1991

Unidentified TV Episodes/Shows:

Arte Johnson's Game Room, undated

Arti Johnson – Offline Window Burns – Tape #1 Part 1, undated

Arti Johnson – Offline Window Burns – Tape #1 Part 2, undated

Arti Johnson – Offline Windows Burns – Tape #2, undated

Arte Johnson Shows #1-3, undated (3 copies)

Arte Johnson Show #4, undated (2 copies)

Roosterfish, 1983

Movie VHS Tapes:

The Third Day, 1965

Call Holme, 1972

Bud and Lou, 1978

Love at First Bite, 1979 (2 copies)

Detour to Terror, 1980

If Things Were Different, 1980

Instant TV, 1981

How to Live to Be 100, George Burns, 1984

Night at the Magic Castle, 1988

Hollywood Detective, 1990 (2 copies)

Munchie, 1992

Shanks for the Memory, 1994 (2 copies)

Note: Created by Bob Hope pertaining to golf, as he was well-known within Hollywood for being big on golf. Arte is one of the people featured in the film. Additionally, Arte and Bob appeared on a Laugh-In together in 1967.

Captiva Island, 1995 (2 copies)

Against the Wall, undated

Box 4: VHS Tapes

Commercial VHS Tapes:

Labatt's Breweries, "Arte Johnson Baseball," 1977

Note: Canadian Brewery that did commercials with Arte Johnson. Uncertain as to which commercial(s) are in this VHS tape.

Arte Johnson Labatt's Commercials, 1977 (DVD)

Carnation Mighty Dog, 1979

Note: Given the time stamp, likely a commercial for dog food.

ARCO am/pm, "Arte-Chicken Sandwich," "Arte-II," and "Arte-II/Breakfast," 1989

JCPenney, "Family Fun," 1989

ARCO am/pm, "Breakfast Sandwich", 1989

ARCO am/pm, "Arte II/Breakfast Sandwich," 1992

U2 Commercial, 1992

ARCO am/pm Outtakes, 1993

Corporate Productions, Inc. "Smile, You're on Holland America," undated

Hawian Holiday, undated (2 copies)

Reels VHS Tapes:

Ohlmeyer Arte Johnson Pieces, 1980

Ohlmeyer, Arte Johnson Pieces, 1981

Variety Club Telethon, 1992

Note: Variety Club is an organization that raises funds for disadvantaged children through telethons.

Info Interview Laugh-In Years, 2002

Arte Johnson "GH" Dramatic Scene, undated

Arte Johnson GH 1&2, undated

Chrysler/David L. Wolper Tournament of Stars, 1992

Note: On sleeve protecting VHS tape, David Wolper's name crossed out and Laugh-In is written on the other side. Not sure what to do with this. Grouping it here to be paired with the other Chrysler VHS tape.

Chrysler/David L. Wolper Tournament of Stars, 1993

Note: Found a James Garner golf-related windbreaker and hat on an auction, that had an insignia of, "Chrysler/David L. Wolper/Tournament of Stars/Napa, CA, confirming that this is an event that took place.

Additionally, according to the article, "He's Pulling Up Roots in Napa," in the LA Times, David loves golf and had a personal golf course for charity events, which were often celebrity golf tournaments in order to raise money for the Boys and Girls Club of Napa.

Arte and David knew each other, as Arte was pictured with his wife at David's 50th anniversary (unsure what anniversary was for) dinner in 1999. Furthermore, Arte did golf, as there are golf balls on the internet for sale with his signature, and there are photos of him at golf tournaments. This provides the connection between Arte and David and the golf tournament listed on this VHS tape.

"Speciality of the House," Rancho Productions, undated

Personal Material VHS Tapes:

Tamiment Home Videos, 1953-54

Arte Johnson Show #1 Cruise Ship Outtakes, 1998

Arte Johnson Show #2 Cruise Ship Outtakes, 1998

Arte Johnson Show #3 Cruise Ship Outtakes, 1998

Arte Johnson Career Documentation by Gisela Johnson, 2022 (DVD)

Note: Digitized files of Arte Johnson materials

Box 5:

Scripts:

Arnold's Closet Revue, 1969

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

Rowan & Martin's Laugh-In, ca. 1970s

Note: empty

The Love Boat, "The Captain's Replacement," "Sly as a Fox," "Here Comes the Bride – Maybe," 1982

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Love Boat, "Doc's Slump," "What a Drag," "The Crew's Cruise Director," "Where's Frankie?" 1984

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Smurfs, "The Master Smurf," 1984

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Smurfs, "The Secret of Shadow Swamp," 1984

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Smurfs, "Smurf on Wood," 1984

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Smurfs, "Smurfette's Sweet Tooth," 1984

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Smurfs, "Smurf the Other Cheek," 1984

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

Airwolf, "Severance Pay," 1984-85

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

The Love Boat, "Who Killed Maxwell Thorn?" 1986

Note: Arte Johnson's signature on front page

Box 6:

Personal Papers:

Photographs, c.a. 1930s-2010s

Autographs (1 of 2 folders), 1971-1989

Autographs (2 of 2 folders), 1990-2008

Newspaper Clippings, 1974-2008

Box 7 (Oversize):

Scrapbook 1

Materials - Illustrations of different prominent comedians (or major Laugh-In comedians), Arte Johnson included; newspaper clippings; photographs, including portraits, stills, paparazzi; correspondence, including Western Union telegrams, letters, notes; magazine pages; and permit for traveling to England (Alien Order 1953).

Contents -Newspaper articles and photographs of Arte Johnson's performances in Laugh-In; correspondence, newspaper clippings, tickets, and photographs from Arte attending the Emmys and winning in 1969; drawings gifted to Arte; Arte's autobiographical sketch of himself, where he talks about his time at the University and how he got into show business; two signed photographs by Neil Armstrong; some pages dedicated to Arte's involvement in basketball (SoCal area); and several pages dedicated to Arte's own special called, "Ver-r-r-ry Interesting," starring Bing Crosby and Elke Sommer.

Box 8 (Oversize):

Scrapbook 2

Materials - Photographs, newspaper clippings, magazine pages, Arte Johnson headshots, International Broadcasting Award, letter correspondence, advertisement, certificates, TV Guide: Cover Portrait, and posters.

Contents - Article from Alumni News about Arte Johnson's performances; photos and articles about Arte's German character Wolfgang; song lyrics about Arte's career; article that was published in an African American newspaper, talking about Arte and his performance with Sammy Davis Jr, who is featured in several other photos throughout the scrapbook; several references to walnettos and Arte's role in resurrecting their popularity through his role as the Little Old Man; article where Arte talks about his opinion on playing characters from different ethnic backgrounds.

Box 9 (Oversize):

Scrapbook 3

Materials - Poster boards; photographs, including stills; newspaper articles; correspondence letters; advertisements; and TV Schedule Guide.

Contents - Half of this scrapbook is empty. In one of the personal papers folders, there was an envelope full of newspaper clippings – we think that these potentially were meant to be put into the scrapbook.

Articles and photographs of Arte and Elke together; stills from performances Arte was in; photos with Richard Nixon, and letter from Nixon following the White House dinner Arte attended in 1971; performance with David Frost in Las Vegas at the Riviera Hotel.