

SAFA 429

**A Guide to the Records of the
Partners in Motion fonds
(F 536)**

**Saskatchewan Archives Board
2011**

**PRIVATE RECORDS
AUTHORITY DESCRIPTION**

**Saskatchewan Archives Board
Authority Record**

**Corporate (PA 29)
Partners in Motion Pictures Inc., 1993-**

About this records creator:

Authorized Heading Partners in Motion Pictures Inc., 1993-

Brief Bio./Admin. History Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. was incorporated with Corporations Branch, Saskatchewan Justice on July 6, 1993, as a film and video production company in Regina, Saskatchewan. Its focus has been on three primary areas of visual entertainment production: television programs and series; commercial and corporate production; and multimedia and animation production. Its productions have aired in over 150 countries and have received numerous awards and recognitions. Currently (2011), Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. operates from its business office in Regina.

Biographical Sketch/Administrative History Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. was incorporated with Corporations Branch, Saskatchewan Justice on July 6, 1993, as a film and video production company in Regina, Saskatchewan. Its original partners were Christopher Triffo and Yves Noblet. As of September 10, 1999, the corporation's directors were Ronald Goetz, General Manager and Christopher Triffo, President. Linda Goetz and Pamela Triffo were shareholders. Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. amalgamated with Harmony Entertainment Management Inc., its wholly owned subsidiary that was established in 1997. The amalgamated body was incorporated as Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. on January 1, 2008. Current (2011) affiliated companies include: Harmony Entertainment Inc. (incorporated January 11, 2008); Partners in Motion Corporate Productions Inc. (incorporated April 3, 2008); Gyro Productions Inc. (incorporated May 12, 2009); and Pocket Media Inc. (incorporated August 3, 2010). The current executive of Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. is comprised of Christopher Triffo, President; Ronald Goetz, Executive Vice-President; Jeff Stecyk, General Manager and Chief Operating Officer; Steve Balkwill, Vice-President of Operations; and Linda Goetz, Chief Financial Officer. Partners in Motion Pictures Inc. and its affiliated companies operate from its business office at 2704-10th Avenue in Regina.

Throughout its history, Partners in Motion has focused on three primary areas of visual entertainment production: television programs and series; commercial and corporate production; and multimedia and animation production. Programs produced by Partners in Motion have aired on North American television channels such as History Television, Discovery Channel, The

Learning Channel, Global Television, CBC Television, Saskatchewan Communications Network, W Network and Home Box Office. Internationally, its programs have aired in more than 150 countries. The company has also offered services such as graphic design, tradeshow event management, corporate training videos, multimedia presentations, and financing to independent film and video projects through its IGNITE Development Initiative.

Awards and recognitions that Partners in Motion has received between 1993 and 2010 for its productions include a News and Documentary Emmy Award; numerous Gemini Awards, Saskatchewan Showcase Awards, CSC Awards, Golden Sheaf Awards from the Yorkton Short Film and Video Festival; recognitions from the Houston International Film Festival and New York Film Festival; and the City of Regina Municipal Heritage Award. The company has also been recognized for its business operations with several Regina Chamber of Commerce Paragon Awards and Saskatchewan Chamber of Commerce ABEX Awards.

Partners in Motion has been an active contributor to the Regina and district community by sponsoring events involving arts and culture, sports, and education, and by participating in charity events held by volunteer community organizations.

Variant Name(s)

Partners in Motion

Partners in Motion Pictures

Rule(s)

Rules for Archival Description (RAD)

Source(s)

AMICUS Authorities - entry for Partners in Motion (Firm) entered February 10, 2000.

Partners in Motion website.

Content of the fonds.

Corporations Registry - Corporations Branch, Saskatchewan Justice.

Archival records linked to this records creator:

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FONDS DESCRIPTION

**Saskatchewan Archives Board
Records Description**

F 536

Partners in Motion fonds

About these records:

Unique Identifier F 536

Title of Records Partners in Motion fonds

Level of Description Fonds

Descriptive System Private

Dates of Creation [198-?]-2009

Predominant Dates of Creation 1993-2006

Physical Description 722 film reels : 16 mm (ca. 265 hr.)
10 film reels : 35 mm (ca. 1 hr.)
19 video reels : 25 mm (6 hr., 35 min., 58 sec.)
7 videocassettes : VHS (3 hr., 40 min., 30 sec.)
5 videocassettes : Beta SP (2 hr., 3 min., 21 sec.)
1 audio reel : 9.5 cm/sec. (10 min., 44 sec.)
4 audio reels : 19 cm/sec. (86 min., 55 sec.)
2 audio reels : 38 cm/sec. (14 min., 48 sec.)
26 cm of textual records

Link to Authority

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See: [Partners in Motion Pictures Inc., 1993-](#)

**Direct Acquisition
from Records Creator**

Nova Herman, Producer for Partners in Motion, donated some of these records to the Regina office, Saskatchewan Archives in one accession in 2001: R2001-062 (April 11, 2001).

Ellen Bumphrey, Production Accountant for Partners in Motion, donated some of these records to the Regina office, Saskatchewan Archives in two accessions in 2003: R2003-271 (September 22, 2003); and R2003-315 (December 5, 2003).

Steven Balkwill, Vice-President of Operations for Partners in Motion, donated some of these records to the Regina office, Saskatchewan Archives in one accession in 2009: 2009-458 (June 10, 2009).

Scope and Content

This fonds consists of records created, accumulated and used by Partners in Motion, a film and video production company based in Regina, Saskatchewan, between 1993 and 2006. It primarily consists of original camera negatives, but also includes master dubs, master copies, and audio voice-overs for various productions created by Partners in Motion.

The fonds also consists of film and video productions from the mid-1980s to 1993 that current employees of Partners in Motion were involved in creating. These films and videos were produced by CKCK Creative Services, Sunspirit Productions, and Halfbreed Inc.

Two series have been identified in the fonds: Crime Stories, and Disasters of the Century. These series were created due to the large volume of records belonging to these two television series produced by Partners in Motion. The numerous other productions have been described at the item level.

The types of records included are: film reels; video reels; videocassettes; audio cassettes; negative and processing reports; print advertisements for productions; and a product catalogue.

Access Restrictions

Records are open for research use.

Terms Governing Use

Use, publication and/or reproduction of records are subject to terms of an agreement with the donor and the conditions of The Copyright Act. Please consult reference archivist for assistance.

Reference Tools

SAFA 429 consists of a fonds description and item descriptions for audio reels, film reels, video reels and videocassettes. The paper guide consists of higher level descriptions only.

**Related Records
(Records held by SAB)**

CKCK-TV and CKTV - Various television productions, located in Threshold.

Physical Condition	Records are in good physical condition.
Conservation Note	Certain films and videos have been placed in polypropylene containers. Textual records have been placed in acid-free file folders.
Accruals	Further accruals are expected.
Source of Description	Content of the fonds.
Former Code(s)	Audio reels: SR-7 to SR-13. Video reels: MI-570 to MI-573; MI-577 to MI-579; MI-582 to MI-583; MI-585; MI-590 to MI-598. Videocassettes: MI-569; MI-574 to MI-576; MI-580 to MI-581; MI-584; MI-586 to MI-589; MI-599. Film reels: MI-733 to MI-1464.
Consulting the Records	To consult the records, visit or contact the Regina office.
Arrangement Note(s)	Order imposed by archivist.
General Note(s)	Location for retrieval: Regina - Hillsdale, Regina-Henderson.

SERIES DESCRIPTION

**Saskatchewan Archives Board
Records Description**

**F 536.1
Crime Stories series**

About these records:

Parent Record Identifier	F 536
Unique Identifier	F 536.1
Title of Records	Crime Stories series
Level of Description	Series
Descriptive System	Private
Dates of Creation	1999-2006
Predominant Dates of Creation	2004-2006
Dates of Accumulation	1999-2006
Physical Description	214 film reels : 16 mm (95 hr., 46 min.)
Direct Acquisition from Records Creator	Steven Balkwill, Vice-President of Operations for Partners in Motion, donated these records to the Regina office, Saskatchewan Archives in one accession in 2009: 2009-458 (June 10, 2009).
Scope and Content	<p>This series consists of film reels containing the original camera negative footage created by Partners in Motion between 1999 and 2006 for the production of the television series Crime Stories. Episodes of this production centered on crime events and their subsequent police investigations. The footage is silent.</p> <p>No sub-series assignment has been applied to this series.</p>
Physical Condition	Records are in good physical condition.
Conservation Note	Film has been spooled onto new cores. Header and tail has been added where necessary.
Former Code(s)	Film reels: MI-740 to MI-953.
General Note(s)	All films in this series were described at the item level.

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Physical Condition	Records are in good physical condition.
Conservation Note	Film has been spooled onto new cores. Header and tail has been added where necessary.
Former Code(s)	Film reels: MI-740 to MI-953.
General Note(s)	All films in this series were described at the item level.

**Saskatchewan Archives Board
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**F 536-2
Disasters of the Century series**

About these records:

Parent Record Identifier F 536

Unique Identifier F 536-2

Title of Records Disasters of the Century series

Level of Description Series

Descriptive System Private

Dates of Creation 1999-2006

Physical Description 315 film reels : 16 mm (ca. 106 hr., 18 min.)
2 videocassettes : VHS (1 hr., 32 min., 20 sec.)

Direct Acquisition from Records Creator Nova Herman, Producer for Partners in Motion, donated some of these records to the Regina office, Saskatchewan Archives in one accession in 2001: R2001-062 (April 11, 2001).

Steven Balkwill, Vice-President of Operations for Partners in Motion, donated some of these records to the Regina office, Saskatchewan Archives in one accession in 2009: 2009-458 (June 10, 2009).

Scope and Content This series consists of film reels containing the original camera negative footage created by Partners in Motion between 1999 and 2006 for the production of the television series Disasters of the Century. Episodes of this production centered on natural and human-caused disasters and their aftermath. The footage is silent. Also included in this series are videocassettes of two episodes of the production.

No sub-series assignment has been applied to this series.

Physical Condition Records are in good physical condition.

Conservation Note For films that were sampled, film has been spooled onto new cores. Header and tail has been added where necessary. Films that were not sampled had tail added only.

Former Code(s)

Film reels: MI-974 to MI-1288.

Videocassettes: MI-575 to MI-576.

General Note(s)

A 20% sample of the films in this series were described at the item level.

**FOR DESCRIPTIONS OF
SOME OF THE MOVING
IMAGES IN THIS FONDS
SEE MI-569 to MI-599
& MI-733 to MI-1464
IN THRESHOLD**

**FOR DESCRIPTIONS OF
THE SOUND RECORDINGS
IN THIS FONDS
SEE SR-7 to SR-13
IN THRESHOLD**

**UNPROCESSED MOVING
IMAGES AND SOUND
RECORDINGS EXIST
IN THIS FONDS**

**PLEASE CONSULT THE
REFERENCE ARCHIVIST
FOR DETAILS**

LOCATIONS:	F 536	
	Partners in Motion funds (SAFA 429)	
	Boxes 1 and 2:	2375.2.3
	MI-569 to MI-599:	104.2.1
	MI-733 to MI-1464:	117.2.2
	SR-7 to SR-13:	80.4.4