

The First SP Record Produced in Japan

Registration No.	Number 00194		
Registration Date	September 15, 2015	Registration Category	Category 1

Name (Model, etc.)	Symphony Label Nagauta “Kuramayama” Record
Location	Kanazawa, Ishikawa
	Kanazawa Phonograph Museum
Owner (Custodian)	Kanazawa City
Manufacturer (Company)	The Japan-American Phonograph Manufacturing Co., Ltd.
Year Manufactured	1909
Year first appeared	1909
Reason For Selection	In 1909, The Japan-American Phonograph Manufacturing Company started manufacturing Japan’s first 10-inch single-sided record discs, which were sold by Nipponophone Co., Ltd. (now Nippon Columbia) under labels such as “Symphony”. This item is one of those records, a record of the nagauta “Kuramayama”. After these went on sale, they were rampantly pirated, so in the late 1910s they were re-launched as regular double-sided discs under the “Nipponophone” label.
Registration Standard	2-A (Played a notable role in improving people’s way of life and creating new ways of living.)

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