Agency details

Agency number: 675
Agency title: Opunka
Start date: in year of 1962
End date: 1995
Creation:
Abolition:

Administrative history note:
Opunka Film Group was established during the university’s first term of 1962 with the intention "to foster the film as an art within the university and to provide top-class entertainment". It initially screened films on a weekly basis. Its first presentation was "The Girl Can’t Help It" and was held in Room 144 in the Main Building. By late 1962 it had moved to the Main Theatrette in the Main Building, before taking up larger premises in the Science Theatre during 1963.

In 1968 Opunka began producing its own films. This included "The Hard Word" in conjunction with Brevis Productions, which won the Bronze Medal for Black and White photography in the 1969 Australian Film Awards and also reached the finals of the international student competition at the 1969 Chicago International Film Festival.

On 20 December 1970 the Committee of Opunka agreed that it would affiliate with the UNSW Students’ Union (CN273/3). This affiliation remained in place until 1981 (file 026703).

On 8 July 1985 Council formally recognised the Group as part of the university and that it was "entitled to use the name of the university as part of its title" (resolution 85/85). On 4 December 1995 Council rescinded this affiliation (CL95/116) and Opunka ceased to be associated with the university from this time.

Unregistered preceding agencies:

Unregistered succeeding agencies:

Superior agencies: Period of relationship

Unregistered superior agencies:

Unregistered subordinate agencies:

Record series created by this agency (in chronological order by start date): Date range of creation