



Stage-Used Handcuffs, from Prince's Performance on "Soul Train"

Date

1994

Primary Maker

Prince

Medium

Metal; Plastic

Description

A pair of gold tone metal handcuffs covered in rhinestones. The handcuffs were worn by dancer Mayte Garcia on stage with Prince during his performance of "The Most Beautiful Girl In The World" during an

appearance on the television show Soul Train in May of 1994. Prince led Garcia around the stage holding one side of the cuffs. The cuffs and key have been custom mounted and framed with an image of Prince. Prince (1958-2016), born Prince Rogers Nelson, was an American musician, singer, producer, and actor. Prince was known for his flamboyant personality and dress, and is considered one of the best multi-instrumentalists in popular music. His music featured elements of R&B, rock and roll, funk, soul, jazz, and electronica. Prince was a prolific songwriter, releasing over 40 albums, with his first album *For You* (1978) released when he was just 19 years old. His most popular albums, including *1999* (1982), *Purple Rain* (1984), *Around the World in a Day* (1985), *Batman* (1989), and *3121* (2006), topped the Billboard 200 charts throughout three decades.