

# Voices of Yesteryear

**AT LAST! PERFECT AUTOMATIC VOICE RECORDINGS—  
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**VOICE-O-GRAPH**  
TRADE MARK  
AUTOMATIC VOICE RECORDER  
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LIKE TALKING ON THE PHONE . . .  
BUT A THOUSAND TIMES MORE THRILLING!

**STANDARD MODEL**  
Floor Space Required: 14" x 30"  
Height: 6'6"  
Weight: Approximately 275 Lbs.

**DE LUXE MODEL**  
Floor Space Required: 32" x 43"  
Height: 6'9"  
Weight: Approximately 400 Lbs.

Loading Capacity:  
Both Models—200 Records, 150 Envelopes

MUTOSCOPE now brings you a powerful wedge into the fastest growing business in America today—the record field. You're ASSURED of tremendous steady profits with VOICE-O-GRAPH . . . the wonder machine that sells what EVERYONE wants to buy again and again—records of their own voices! Personal records are simple and exciting to make with VOICE-O-GRAPH. The patron steps into what looks exactly like a telephone booth . . . picks up the microphone, which looks just like a telephone . . . inserts his quarter and waits for the clearly indicated signal light . . . then dictates his letter, sings his piece, or records birthday, anniversary or holiday greetings exactly the way he wants them. A signal tells him when there's one minute gone, when there's ten seconds left, and when the recording is finished. Immediately the record is automatically played back and then vended. (Special mailing envelopes are vended for an additional five cents.) WHAT A THRILLING, HAPPY EXPERIENCE! IT'S A FUNDAMENTAL FACT THAT NO ONE CAN RESIST THE CHANCE TO MAKE PERSONAL RECORDINGS—there's a little Bing Crosby or John Barrymore in all of us! And it's always fun to hear what we sound like to others—so it's easy to understand why YOU JUST CAN'T MISS MAKING MONEY with VOICE-O-GRAPH! ACT QUICK—GET THE DETAILS TODAY! SEE YOUR NEAREST MUTOSCOPE DISTRIBUTOR.

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Three vinyl records came into my studio the other day. These weren't the commercially made rock or pop albums most of us grew up with. These were homemade disks recorded at 78 rpm that were made over 75 years ago. I know this because it was written on the label.

In the 1940s, there were dozens of "Voice-0-Graph" machines sprinkled up and down the Coney Island boardwalk. They looked like telephone booths and by inserting 25 cents, you could actually record your voice and have it scratched into the grooves of your own personal record for all of posterity.

The three records I received and transferred to digital audio files for their preservation had my client's father crooning familiar standards and pop favorites in the style of Bing

Crosby. What a wonderful treasure for the family to have. Sure, there are scratches and pops throughout the recording but that only adds to the charm of being able to hear voices from the past, recorded as they lived through what for them was their present. All three records were dated June, 1944... shortly after the D-Day invasion. The songs were upbeat, filled with hope and promise, with just a tinge of melancholy. I'd say it was a perfect capsulation of the mood of that time. I am honored to have been a part of preserving this personally impactful and historic moment.

*Michael Ondrasik and Home Video Studio Mount Dora specialize in the preservation of family memories through the digitalization of film, videotapes, audio recordings, photos, negatives, and slides. For more information, call 352-735-8550 or visit our [website](#).*