

# Music instruments with ivory keys

European legislation of the use of ivory in musical instruments such as keyboard instruments (piano, harpsichord, organs, etc.) has been exempted by lobbying. The instruments with ivory keys built before 1947 are sufficient if a certificate proving their age is presented. The use of ivory in new instruments after 1947 is not allowed.



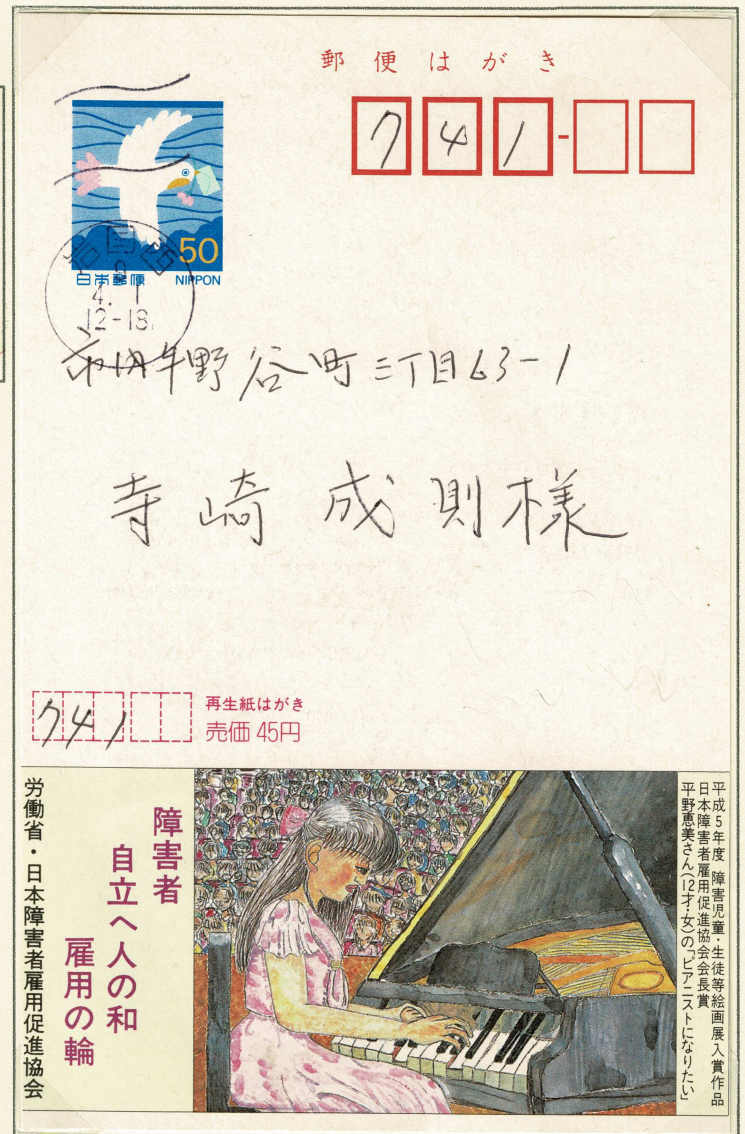
Commercial cover, Paris 06/28/1904 to Berlin. « Manufacture spéciale de touches de pianos en ivoire & en Os » (Special manufacture of piano keys in ivory & bone).



Republic of Ivory Coast: ivory sculpture to make piano keys from elephant teeth.



Köln, 08/24/1979. Three manuals organ with ivory keys.



The keyboards were generally covered with ivory, nacre or tortoise shell. They were later replaced by plastic imitation.

Nippon, echo card. Girl playing the piano.