

# GUITAR – ELECTRIC CIGAR BOX GUITAR WITH AMP AND SLIDE

## OVERVIEW OF THE OBJECTS

**Repository:** Crandall Public Library.  
Folklife Center  
Glens Falls, NY.

**Creator:** Paul Cardone

**Title:** Guitar – Electric Cigar Box Guitar with Amp and Slide

**Dates:** 2013

**Quantity:** 3 items

**Identification:** Folk Art

## BIOGRAPHICAL NOTE

When Paul Cardone retired from a 32-year career working with the developmentally disabled, the first guitar he made in May 2012 was out of an olive can. After that short-lived experiment, he now makes his handmade electric guitars out of wooden cigar boxes. Each guitar is unique, many of them incorporating “stuff found in your junk drawer or woodshed” including drain covers, eyebolts, grommets and hinges. The three-string fretless guitars have pickups installed so they are electric, and they are meant to be played with a slide. He makes the slides out of wine bottle necks, and the amplifiers out of cigar boxes. They are 2,5 watts and run off a 9-volt battery.

## INDEX TERMS

**Topics:** Musical instruments  
Musical instrument makers

**Places:** Glens Falls, Warren, NY

**Important People:** Cardone, Paul

**Form/Genre:** Three-dimensional object [artifact] [realia]

## ADMINISTRATIVE INFORMATION

**Preferred Citation:** Guitar – Electric Cigar Box Guitar with Amp and Slide

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**Accession Information:** Purchased in 2013 from Paul Cardone, Cigar Box Guitars by Doc, The Shirt Factory, Lawrence and Cooper St., Suite 311, Glens Falls, NY 12801

**Processing Information:** Arranged and described by Erica Gonyea, 2019

## **DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE OBJECTS**

The guitar is 27 inches long x 7 inches wide.