

A Guide to the Winslow Williams Photograph Collection, 1925-1980

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Descriptive Summary

Collection number

VC 0003

Language

English

Abstract

The Winslow Williams Photograph Collection consists of approximately 12,000 negatives and 1,000 prints taken by Winslow Williams over the course of his life. Images are individually catalogued in PastPerfect, Thomas Balch Library's visual collections database available onsite, and may be identified in the online index available at www.leesburgva.gov/ThomasBalchLibrary/SpecialCollections by searching vc_0003.

Creator

Winslow Williams, Leesburg, VA

Repository

Thomas Balch Library

Administrative Information

Access Restrictions

Collection open for research.

Use Restrictions

Visual materials may require special handling.

Acquisition Information

Winslow Williams, Leesburg, Virginia

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Alternative Form Available

Electronic media for some items

Adjunct Descriptive Data

Related Material

Williams Family Papers (M 010)

Bibliography

Loudoun Times Mirror

Williams Family Papers (M 010), Thomas Balch Library, Leesburg, VA.

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Other Finding Aid

Past Perfect catalogue records

Technical Requirements

Electronic media

Biographical Information

Mr. Williams was born in New York in 1913, the son of a prominent lawyer. As a toddler, his family moved to Loudoun County. He learned photography from his stepmother as a child, and worked as a photographer for the Navy during World War II. After the War, he ran a photography studio in Leesburg that closed in the early 1950s. Two years before his death in 1993, he donated his collection of negatives and prints to Thomas Balch Library in Leesburg, Virginia. Mr. Williams was also the owner of the Winslow Williams Real Estate company and a founding member of the Loudoun County Board of Realtors. He was an enthusiastic naturalist who enjoyed fishing, ornithology, and gardening; for many years; his garden extended from his back yard into the rear of Thomas Balch Library.

Scope and Content

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The Collection's extensiveness, both chronologically and geographically, provides excellent documentation of daily life in Loudoun County during a key period of the county's expansion. Most of the photographs in the collection are the work product of Mr. Williams' professional photography studio and document varied facets of County life during the mid-twentieth century. Agricultural activities, sports, community, and social events are well represented. Additionally, there are many photographs of members of Loudoun County's African-American community, including the Loudoun County Emancipation Association, Douglass High School in Leesburg and Carver Elementary School in Purcellville. The collection is also very important for genealogical research; many of Williams' professional photographs are studio portraits of students and families.

Arrangement

Box

Contents List

2.5 x 3.5 prints

3 x 5 prints

5 x 7 prints

8 x 10 prints, 0001-2999

8 x 10 prints, 3000-6999

8 x 10 prints, unnumbered

Negatives 0001 to 0449

Negatives 0500 to 0749

Negatives 0750 to 0874

Negatives 0875 to 0999

Negatives 1000 to 1149

Negatives 1150 to 1374

Negatives 1375 to 1524

Negatives 1525 to 1624

Negatives 1625 to 1719

Negatives 1720 to 1863

Negatives 1864 to 1999

Negatives 2000 to 2099

Negatives 2100 to 2309

Negatives 2310 to 2499

Negatives 2500 to 2599

Negatives 2600 to 2759

Negatives 2760 to 2859

Negatives 2860 to 3059

Negatives 3060 to 4095

Negatives 4096 to 4213

Negatives 4214 to 4299

Negatives 4300 to 4412

Negatives 4413 to 4529

Negatives 4530 to 4624

Negatives 4625 to 4739

Negatives 4740 to 4849

Negatives 4850 to 4956

Negatives 4957 to 5059

Negatives 5060 to 6049

Negatives 6050 to 6149

Negatives 6150 to 6249

Negatives 6250 to 6374

Negatives 6375 to 6519

Negatives 6520 to 6659

Negatives 6660 to 6820

Negatives 6824 to 6991

Oversized negatives

Oversized prints

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