

# **Finding aid for the digital photo prints and files collection at the Grand Rapids Public Library Collection 323**

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## Summary Information

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<b>Repository</b>	Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department
<b>Title</b>	Digital photo prints and files collection at the Grand Rapids Public Library
<b>Date</b>	1882-2005
<b>Extent</b>	1.5 Linear feet Three boxes
<b>Language</b>	English
<b>Abstract</b>	This is a devised collection containing copy photographs or digital prints made in house at the Grand Rapids Public Library. As such, it is a 21st century collection of items, although the images depicted may be those copied from any time in the past.

## Scope and Contents note

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This collection is currently defined as containing only Fuji Pictograph processing prints.

Other digital process prints are also being added to various archival collections. One large set of photoprints, presumed now to be made using digital processes, are those images being purchased from the Grand Rapids Press and added to Coll. 297.

Scans are sometimes made from existing photographic prints in the archival collections. But usually, the Fuji photo print created is the only positive version of the image made from an original negative or copy negatives available within the archival collections. Since the media and support used for these copy photo prints are different from traditional photo prints, the decision has been made to form a separate collection, for monitoring purposes, and to clarify the medium of production of the prints for the researcher. The exception to this is collection is the separate storage and documentation of Fuji photo prints for the Robinson Studio Collection, which are maintained there in separate boxes from those prints produced by a traditional photographic method. In any case, a reference to the originating item is given. In some cases, the images may be the only version of new holdings available in the Archives, with the image created from a print or negative borrowed from the donor. In this latter case, the accession number will be found with the item, rather than a reference to the native image elsewhere in the collections.

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## Administrative Information

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### Publication Information

Grand Rapids Public Library, Grand Rapids History and Special Collections Department

### Immediate Source of Acquisition note

Various and Grand Rapids Public Library

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## Related Materials

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### Related Archival Materials note

Coll. 054, the Grand Rapids Public Library Photographs Collection is the primary general collection for photographic prints. It may contain prints created using a digital process, if the data on the method of production is unknown to the processor. However, for the most part it contains historical photographic prints created by traditional pre-digital methods. Those prints may be the original or first generation create, or a later copy print. Items date from the later half of the 19th century through the end of the 20th century.

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## Controlled Access Headings

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### Genre(s)

- photographs

### Geographic Name(s)

- Grand Rapids (Mich.) -- History -- Photographs

**Series I. Copy Photos from other existing collections.**

## Collection Inventory

**Series I. Copy Photos from other existing collections.**

**Scope and Contents note**

Most often these prints will be filed with the existing collection, though often separately within the collection, in order to monitor the physical stability of these prints, compared with those of traditional photographic prints.

	<b>Box</b>	
Fisk Lake / Michigan Artotype Co., Series no. 28. ca. 1882/1883. From 54-8-25 (12/5/2003)	2	
Grand River Ice Jam, 6th St. Dam. Jan. 2005 / William R. Modders, photographer/donor.	1	
2 legal sized laminated views. Color	3	
6 color on non-slick paper, two sized. 2005.038	1	
Grandville H.S. students. From 77-1-12. Enlarged photopostcard view.	1	
	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
#6938 Lincoln Park. From Coll. 76. Two items, 1 normal postcard size and 1 enlarged, both with color.	1	2
		<b>Box</b>

**Series II. New images to the collections.**

Pine St. view. See fuller description with old image at 054-41-4. Added 10/11/2006	2
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	<b>Box</b>	<b>Folder</b>
Unprocessed. Robinson? Walker & Co. signs. Kleins	1	3

First Pilgrim Tabernacle "Library Church", Fountain at Bostwick	<b>Box</b>
	2

**Series II. New images to the collections.**

**Scope and Contents note**

These are often images loaned by patrons who do not wish to give up their original photoprint, but are willing to share the image. In the past these items were often added to Coll. 054. But, the desire is to keep that collection reserved for traditional photographic process prints, where known.

	<b>Box</b>
Oliver Machinery, Factory Interior. Charles Norris is second from left, near the window. 2006.008	1

Winston Churchill and his daughter, Diana Churchill Grand Rapids Herald, Feb. 27, 1932. 00.[5005].1. Accompanied by copy of article.	1
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