

Keeping in touch with The Family Camera Network

Great News!



We are thrilled to announce that The Family Camera Network project has been awarded a SSHRC Partnership Development Grant and will be moving forward! To keep you up to date, we will send quarterly newsletters with important information, key dates, and new opportunities to get involved.

Introducing Teams & Committees

Steering Committee

This team manages the day-to-day of the project, manages resources, and optimizes collaboration between researchers. This committee meets quarterly and will ensure that updates are sent to all participants after meetings.

Exhibitions & Outreach Team

This team will prepare a comprehensive strategy for community engagement to maximize participation.

Digital Archive Team

This team will lend their expertise in Collection Management Systems and consult in the building of a digital archive and platform for The Family Camera Network.

Collecting Team

This team will ensure that research ethics are upheld and will receive technical training on collecting and safely storing oral histories and photographs. This team aspires to collect 7000+ photographs and 70+ oral histories!

2016 Objectives

Our objectives for the first year include: obtaining ethics clearance for the project, collecting approximately 35 oral histories and accompanying images, and planning the Reframing Family Photography conference (Munk School of Global Affairs, U of T, Fall 2017). We are also planning the Family Camera exhibition, which will be part of the ROM's offering during Canada's sesquicentennial celebrations and a featured exhibition in Toronto's 2017 CONTACT Photography Festival (May 2017). We are pursuing a number of professional development opportunities, including an oral history workshop and a vernacular photo preservation workshop. Members of the Digital Archive Team will be participating in a Digital Humanities workshop, which will be hosted at Yale University. In addition, Yale's Photographic Management Workshop will host a colloquium on family photography, which will be open to invited speakers.

Upcoming Events

A CFP for the **Reframing Family Photography** conference and publication will circulate shortly. Everyone in The Family Camera Network will be invited to submit proposals to our vetting committee and will be asked to help spread the word. Please keep an eye out for the CFP!

Introducing our Project Assistant



We are pleased to introduce **Jennifer Orpana**, our Project Assistant for the summer. Jennifer completed her PhD in Art & Visual Culture at Western University last Fall. She was supervised by Dr. Sarah Bassnett and her thesis is entitled, "Faces of (and for) Toronto: Community-Engaged Portrait Projects in the Neoliberal City." If you have any questions or if you would like to share information about an upcoming event, publication, or exhibition in the next newsletter, please contact Jennifer at jorpana@rom.on.ca.

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Partner Institutions

Canadian Lesbian & Gay Archives
Royal Ontario Museum
Ryerson Image Centre
Ryerson University's Film +
Photography Preservation &
Collections Management Program
Scotiabank CONTACT
Photography Festival
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