Guide No. 48
City Photographer
1950 - 1997

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Records Management Division
Office of the City Secretary
City of Dallas, Texas
Collection Range: 1950-1997
15.21 Linear feet apx.

Photographic prints, black and white and color
Negatives, black and white and color
Manuscript logbooks and notes
Printed material

Collection Scope and Content Note:

Photographic prints, negatives, and manuscript and printed materials documenting the work of the City Photographer division of the Equipment, Communications, and Information Services Department of the City of Dallas.

The role of the City Photographer was to document city services, assist with public information projects, create evidentiary exhibits for the Office of the City Attorney, provide images for official city publications, and document significant events and occasions in city government.

The City Photographer division was created in 1946 and was originally a part of the Personnel Department. Later it became a part of Building Services. The first photographer and lab manager was C. D. Bayne, who worked from 1946 until his retirement in 1975. The second manager was Frank Branger. The first processing and printing lab was located at Emil Fretz Park but later moved several times, locating at 1500 Mockingbird Lane and then at City Hall. Other photographers on staff included C. R. Schupbach, Anthony Giuffrida, James Crittenden, Jim Ashford, and Robert Cabello. The position of City Photographer was last administered under the department of Equipment, later Equipment, Communications, and Information Services (ECI) and was eliminated in 1989.

The bulk of the collection contains prints and negatives from 1973 to 1989, although there are a number of prints from 1950-1962, and a legal series of negatives and some prints extending from 1962 to 1984. Less than fifty prints from 1990 to 1997 were added to the collection after the City Photographer ceased to exist. The collection contains 8x10, 5x7, 3x5, and contact photographic prints, and transparencies and negatives in 35mm, 120mm, and 4x5 formats.

The collection contains three major series: prints, negatives, and manuscript material. Prints are organized in subseries of identified and unidentified persons; identified and unidentified buildings and places; departments; contact sheets; and publication prints. Negatives are arranged in chronological order.
Series Outline

1. Prints
   a. Dallas City Council and Mayors
      i. Dallas City Council Group Portraits, 1952-1997
      ii. Dallas City Council Members, 1965-1993
      iii. Dallas Mayors, 1953-1989
   b. City of Dallas Employees and Other Persons, ca. 1975-1989, A-Z
   c. Non-Dallas Employees, Undated
   g. Publication Prints, 1955-1988 and Undated
   h. Contact Sheets, Numbered and Unnumbered, 1968-1989 and Undated
   i. Legal Photographic Prints, 1984-1985 and undated
   j. Oversized Photographic Prints, Undated

2. Negatives
   b. Color, all Subjects except Legal, 1975-1989
   c. Black and White Legal, 1962-1984
   d. Color Legal, 1985-1988
   e. Black and White Oversized Negatives, all Subjects except Legal, 1983-1989
   f. Color Oversized Negatives, all Subjects except Legal, 1982-1989

3. Manuscript materials
   a. Photographer’s Logbooks, 1965-1986
   c. Sample Photography Work Request Forms, ca. 1987
   d. Notes on specific assignments and detailed negative identifications, 1969 and undated
Photographic Prints

Box 1  Photographic Prints:
   Dallas City Council Group Portraits, 1952-1997
       1952
       1957
       1965
       1973
       1975
       1976
       1977
       1981
       1983
       1985
       1987
       1989
       1992
       1993
       1997

Dallas City Council Members, 1969-1993:
   Allen, George
   Bartos, Jerry
   Blackburn, William M.
   Blair, Fred
   Box, Glenn
   Cothrum, William E.
   Craft, Juanita Jewel Shanks
   Evans, John
   Fielding, Paul
   Goldblatt, Max
   Gonzales, Al
   Hagar, Joe
   Harrison, Adlene
   Heggies, Elsie Faye
   Hicks, Don
   Leedom, John N.
   Medrano, Ricardo
   Patterson, Lucy
   Ragsdale, Diane
Rucker, Jerry
Smith, Richard F.
Tandy, Dr. Charles
Tucker, Rolan
Walton, Dr. John
Wells, Max

Box 2 Photographic Prints:
Dallas Mayors, 1950-1989
Bartlett, Steve
Evans, Jack
Folsom, Robert “Bob”
Jonsson, J. Erik
Strauss, Annette
Taylor, Starke
Thornton, Robert L., Sr.
Wise, Wes

Box 3 Photographic Prints:
City of Dallas Employees, A-Z and Unidentified, ca. 1973-1989
Non-Dallas Persons:
Kennedy, John Fitzgerald
Reagan, Ronald

Box 4 Photographic Prints:
City of Dallas Departments, Buildings, and Places, ca. 1950-1989, A-Dallas Police:
Accounting Department
Aviation/Love Field
City Attorney
City Auditor’s Office
City Credit Union
City Hall
2014 Main Street
1500 Marilla Street
City Buildings-3112 Canton Street
City Buildings-1500 Mockingbird Lane
City Buildings-2719 Municipal Street
City Buildings-Municipal Garage [2726 Municipal Street]
City Buildings-Oak Cliff Municipal Center
City Manager’s Office
City Secretary’s Office
Computer and Information Systems
Conference of Minority Public Administrators reception [1982]
Convention Center
   Republican National Convention, 1982
Corporation Court [Court and Detention Services]
Dallas Arts Festival [1985]
Dallas Fire Department
Dallas Health and Science Museum [Science Place]
Dallas Museum of Natural History
Dallas Police Department

Box 5 Photographic Prints:
City of Dallas Departments, Buildings, and Places, ca. 1950-1988, Dallas Public-Z:
Dallas Public Library
Dallas Transit System
Dallas Water Utilities
Dealey Plaza
Dedication Plaques
Equipment and Building Services
Fair Park
Farmer’s Market
Finance Department
Health Department/Health and Human Services/
   Environmental and Health Services
International Affairs
Martin Luther King, Jr. Library and Learning Center
Memorial Auditorium
Mobil Donation-Council Chambers, 7/6/82
Office of Weights and Measures
Parkland Hospital
Park and Recreation Department
   Bachman Recreation Center
   DeGolyer Estate
   Elm Fork Nature Center
   Old City Park
   Pioneer Park
   Reverchon Park
Personnel Department
Print Shop
Public Sculpture and Statuary
Public Utilities Office
Public Works Department
  Public Works Department-Rehabilitation
Purchasing Division
Reunion Arena
Science Place [Dallas Health and Science Museum]
Stationery Supply
Streets and Sanitation Department
Summer Feeding Program, 6/24/82
Tax Department
Thanksgiving Square
Union Terminal
WRR [Radio Station]
Zoo

Box 6 Photographic Prints:
  Non-City Government Places, Subjects, and Events, ca. 1920s; ca. 1962- ca. 1981, A-Z:
    John Neely Bryan cabin
    Central Expressway
    Children
    Cityscapes
    Dallas Ballet
    Dallas Museum of Art
    Dallas Symphony
    Highway Construction
    John F. Kennedy Memorial
    Old Red Courthouse [Dallas County]
    Public Relations Society of America, 12/7/81
    Reunion Tower
    Sidewalk 6151 LaVista, 9/28/83

Publication Prints Series:
  Cityside Newsletter Publication Prints, Dated Issues:
    1/20/1983
    3/17/1983
    4/28/1983
    5/26/1983
    6/23/1983
Box 7 Photographic Prints:
[City of Dallas] Annual Report, 1956-57
“Dallas Municipal Government: A Short Study,” ca. 1955
L1-A-N Photographs, ca. 1985
Chromalins/Promotional Prints, ca. 1988
Undated Publication Prints

Legal Prints, 1984-1985 and Undated

Contact sheets, 1968-1989 and Undated:
Numbered Series, 68257-89019
Unnumbered Series:
Camille Barnett
Buildings and Aerials, sheets E-T
Convention Center
Dallas Fire Department [Denton State School presentation]
Fair Park and White Rock Lake
Bob Folsom and George Schrader
Magnolia Flying Horse
Martin Luther King, Jr. Center
Mayor and Council [1977-1978]
Joan Mondale Visit
Munger Street [building], sheets A-D
Paramedics
Reunion Arena/Aerials
Reunion Tower
Thanksgiving Square
Union Tower
World Trade Center
Unidentified Sheets Unmatched to Negatives
Halftone prints

Box 8: Photographic Prints:
Unidentified People, Places, and Events

Box 43: Photographic Prints:
Oversized Prints:
Dallas Public Library, Undated
Union Terminal, Undated

Negatives

Box 9: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, All Subjects (except Legal), #73058-75099

Box 10: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, All Subjects (except Legal), #75100-76099

Box 11: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, All Subjects (except Legal), #76100-76223

Box 12: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, All Subjects (except Legal), #77001-77203

Box 13: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #78001-78179

Box 14: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #78180-79185

Box 15: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #80001-81102

Box 16: Negatives:
Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #82001-83047
Box 17: Negatives:
   Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #83050-8499e

Box 18: Negatives:
   Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #85000-86089b

Box 19: Negatives:
   Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #86090-87120
   Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), unnumbered series
   Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), unidentified

Box 20: Negatives:
   Oversized Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #83001-03060

Box 21: Negatives:
   Oversized Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #83061-83115

Box 22: Negatives:
   Oversized Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #86157-86284

Box 23: Negatives:
   Oversized Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #86287-86406

Box 24: Negatives:
   Oversized black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #87001-87158

Box 25: Negatives:
   Oversized Black and White Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #88118-88295, 89002-89020
   Unnumbered Series:
      200 Block Jefferson Avenue
      911 Services
      Camille Barnett
      Fred Blair
      Buildings and Aerials, Rolls E-T
      Christmas at City Hall, 12/3/1988
      City Hall, Exterior and Interior
      Convention Center
      Dallas-Fort Worth International Airport [map]
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Dallas Police Department
Dallas Public Library, 5/10-82
Data Services
Farmers Market
Bob Folsom, George Schrader
Magnolia Flying Horse
Martin Luther King, Jr. Center
Mayor and Council, 1977-1978
Joan Mondale Visit
Munger [Avenue] Rolls A-D
Paramedics
Park Employee of the Month, 5/23/89
Personnel Brochure
Robert Reeves and Todd Gritch, 8/26/82
Reunion Arena/Aerials
Reunion Tower
Road Crew [Public Works]
School Safety Awards, 8/11/82
Name Spencer [retirement]
Taylor Publishing Buildings and Compound
Thanksgiving Square
Union Station
World Trade Center
Unidentified People, Places, and Businesses
WRR Studio and Museum of Natural History, 7/15/82

Color Negatives

Box 26: Negatives:
Color Negatives, all subjects (except Legal), #75052-78192

Box 27: Negatives:
Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #78193B-82088C

Box 28: Negatives:
Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #82088-83106

Box 29: Negatives:
Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #83107-86206

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Box 30: Negatives:
  Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #86225-1989
  Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), unnumbered, unidentified

Box 31: Negatives:
  Oversized Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #82096-8535

Box 32: Negatives:
  Oversized Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #8541-86157

Box 33: Negatives:
  Oversized Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #86172-86407

Box 34: Negatives:
  Oversized Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #87002-87157

Box 35: Negatives:
  Oversized Color Negatives, all Subjects (except Legal), #88166-89022 and unnumbered series

**Legal Negatives**

Box 36: Negatives:
  Black and White Negatives, Legal, #14-799-14-913 [10/16/1962-10/1/1963]

Box 37: Negatives:

Box 38: Negatives:
  Black and White Negatives, Legal, #L68021-L70038

Box 39: Negatives:
  Black and White Negatives, Legal, #L70041-L72026

Box 40: Negatives:
  Black and White Negatives, Legal, #L73001-L76099
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Box 41: Negatives:
   Black and White Negatives, Legal, #L76100-L77099

Box 42: Negatives:
   Black and White Negatives, Legal, #L77100-L86094
   Color Negatives, Legal, #L83113-L88254

**Manuscript Materials**

Box 44: Manuscript Materials:
   Photographic Work Logs, 1965-1986
   Photographic Work Logs (Legal), 5/11/76-3/19/83
   Supplies and Equipment Lists, 1954-1955
   Sample Photography Work Request Forms, ca. 1987
   Notes on specific assignments and detailed negative identifications, 1969 and undated