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This guide aims to connect researchers to collections that include photographic materials. Collections that are available online, partially or fully, are indicated with a link. Some collections may be digitized, but not accessible online, as indicated in the notes. For access to collections included on this list that are not yet digitized, please contact the Municipal Archives – [Archives@Savannahga.gov](mailto:Archives@Savannahga.gov)

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- Hyperlink to Collection Finding Aid/Inventory [Record Series #], inclusive dates  
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  - Additional description, if needed

**Neighborhoods**

- [Ardmore, History Round-up Days](#) [RS 1121-064.02], circa 1915-circa 2014, no date
- [Benjamin Van Clark Neighborhood Documentation Project](#) [RS 6112-003], 2003-2004  
*Collection materials included in the publication [Uncommon Knowledge...](#)*
- [Carver Village, History Round-up Days](#) [RS 1121-064.01], 1946-2017, no date  
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- [Eastside Neighborhood Documentation Project](#) [RS 6112-003], 1885-2011, no date  
[Oral History Collection](#); *Collection materials included in the publication [Ebb and Flow...](#)*
- [Edgemere Sackville, History Round-up Days](#) [RS 1121-064.03], 2000-2018  
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- [Frogtown, Yamacraw, and West Broad Street, History Round-up Days](#) [RS 1121-064.04], 1912-1915, circa 1940s, circa 1990s, no date
- [Westside Neighborhood Documentation Project](#) [RS 6112-003], 1910s-2008  
*Collection materials included in the publication [Low Land and the High Road...](#)*
- [White Bluff Community, History Round-up Days](#) [RS 1121-064.05], no date  
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**Buildings**

- [Historic Savannah Ward Inventory Notebooks](#), [RS 1121-073], 1960s  
[Collection Fully Digitized](#)
  - Notebooks, arranged by Ward, which include the original field survey cards and photographs collected in the 1960s.
- [Industrial and Domestic Water Treatment Plant, Visual Materials - Photographs](#) [RS 2581-021], 1945 (circa)-1990 (circa), no date
- [Metropolitan Planning Commission Historic Preservation Photograph Collection](#) [RS 8126-006]  
[Select Digitized Records](#)
  - The bulk of the images document the National Landmark Historic District, Ardsley Park, Gordonston, Eastside Neighborhood, and the Victorian District, with some landmarks outside of these districts included. *Collection fully digitized.*
- [West Broad Street Appraisals](#) [RS 3205-040], 1958-1968  
[Collection Fully Digitized](#)
  - Includes appraisals of West Broad Street in 1958 and 1961 in preparation for the construction of U.S. Interstate-16 into Savannah.

## City Departments, Activities, and People

- [City Manager's Office - Photographs](#) [RS 0120-006], 1969-1991, no date  
*Additional Index: [Identified Individuals](#); [Select Digitized Records](#)*
  - Photographs reflect City government activities, programs, and employees. The bulk of the photographs date from 1967 to 1971. *Collection fully digitized.*
- [Engineering Department Photographs](#) [RS 5600EN-200], no date (circa 1930s-1940s)
  - Photographs document City of Savannah public works projects, including sewer and road conditions and improvements.
- [Fire Department](#) [RS 5600FD], 1867-1947
- [Fire Department, Artifacts](#) [RS 5100-070], no date
- [Fire Department, Earl W. Mock Donation](#) [RS 5100D-005], 1950 (circa)-1991
- [Fire Department, Frank Cook Donation](#) [RS 5100D-001], 1898-2000 (circa), no date  
*[Select Digitized Records](#)*
- [Fire Department, Louis F. Wilson, Jr. Donation](#) [RS 5100D-002], 1920s (circa)-2006, no date
- [Fire Department, Visual Materials - Photographs](#) [RS 5100-027], 1880 (circa)-1998, no
- [Park and Tree Commission Photographs and Prints](#) [RS 5600PC-036]  
*[Select Digitized Records](#)*
  - Images relating to the activities of the Park and Tree Commission, including: cemetery workers; cemeteries; parks and recreational activities; and trees.
- [Public Information Office - Photographs](#) [RS 0123-045], 1948-1949, 1974-2000, no date  
*[Select Digitized Records](#)*
  - Images document the City's services, employees and elected officials, and events.
- [Research and Budget Department photographs](#) [RS 1102-025], 1989  
*[Collection Fully Digitized](#)*
  - Photographs taken by Jack Leigh documenting various City departments as well as their staff and functions.
- [Riverfront Urban Renewal Project designed by Gunn & Meyerhoff A.I.A., Architects](#) [RS 1121-056], 1965-1994  
*[View Gallery of Images of River Street, August 1973](#)*
  - Images collected during the project, documenting the transition of the Savannah riverfront from a derelict and abandoned waterfront to a revitalized urban waterfront park. *Collection fully digitized.*

## General Photograph Collections

- [Gannam, George Karam papers](#) [RS 1121-062], 1917-1950, no date  
*[Family Scrapbook Digitized](#)*
  - Images taken by and of George Gannam, Savannah's first casualty of WWII. Subjects include: Savannah scenes, military scenes, and Gannam's daily life in Hawaii.
- [Girvin family collection of Savannah stereographs](#) [RS 1121-069], circa 1865-circa 1903, no date  
*[Collection Fully Digitized](#)*
  - Major themes include: Savannah buildings; streetscapes and aerial city views; squares and monuments; cemeteries; parks; and Chatham County views.
- [Minis collection of glass plate negatives, Mr. and Mrs. Robert P.](#) [RS 1121-071], no date  
*[Collection Fully Digitized](#)*
  - Images include: Bonaventure Cemetery; Forsyth Park; scenes from African American life in Savannah; the Hermitage plantation; the Telfair Academy of Arts and Sciences; individuals; and interior views of a residence decorated in Victorian furnishings.

- [Olaf Otto, Sr. photograph collection](#) [RS 1121-072], 1922-1931, 1955, 1960, no date  
  - [Select Digitized Records](#)
  - The photographs include portraits of Otto; Otto's building projects, including the house he lived in, 101 East 54th Street; and a scrapbook of the Savannah River Bridge construction from 1922-1929.
- [Palumbo collection of Savannah-area materials](#) [RS 1121-070], 1846-2020, no date  
  - *Select Digitized Records:* [Subseries 1 Stereographs. Subseries 2 Photographs \(fully digitized\), Subseries 4 Postcards \(fully digitized\)](#)
- [Digital Photograph Collection](#) [RS 1121-041], 1989-2021, no date  
  - [Select Digitized Records](#)
  - Images document the City's services, employees and elected officials, and events. *Collection fully digitized.*
- [Postcard Collection, City of Savannah](#) [RS 1121-051], circa 1900s-1959, no date RS 1121-051], circa 1900s-1959, no date. *Collection fully digitized.*
- [Tony Cope World War II Liberty Ships research collection](#) [RS 1121-065], 1943-2009, no date
- [V. & J. Duncan Postcard Collection](#) [RS 1121-057], circa 1870s-circa 2000s, no date  
  - [Select Digitized Records](#)
  - The collection consists primarily of postcards and photographic prints of prominent Savannah locations and institutions, organized by subject. Available for review in Reading Room. *Collection fully digitized.*
- [W. W. Law Photograph Collection](#) [RS 1121-100], 1868-2002, no date  
  - [Collection Fully Digitized](#)
  - Subjects include: NAACP activities during the Civil Rights movement; historic African American landmarks; activities of the Savannah-Yamacraw Branch of ASALH; and African American families and community leaders.

**For more information or to set up a research appointment, contact the Archivist at (912) 651-6412 or [archives@savannahga.gov](mailto:archives@savannahga.gov).**

All finding aids are available online at <http://www.savannahga.gov/collections>.

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