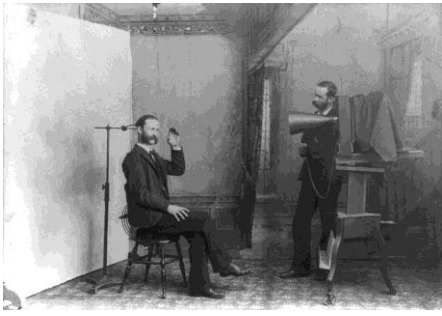


Fundamentals of the Conservation of Photographs



SESSION: Introduction to Treatment Issues / Surface Cleaning

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SESSION OUTLINE

ABSTRACT

This part of the course will introduce treatment issues and specifically surface cleaning of photographs to participants. Current practice and concerns in the field will be discussed including risks and benefits of treatments. The participants will be presented a hands-on systematic approach on how to analyze a photograph and how to decide what method(s) of surface cleaning (**if any**) is best for it, based on the photographic process and its condition.

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

As a result of this session, participants should be able to:

- Know current practices and concerns including risks and benefits of treating a photograph
- Define surface cleaning of photographs
- Visually analyze a photograph and through testing, decide if it is safe to clean the photograph and with what method(s)

CONTENT OUTLINE

- PowerPoint presentation addressing the learning objectives described above
- Case studies – use study collection and ask participants to visually analyze and test different surface cleaning techniques. Once tested, the participant then decide on the most appropriate treatment for each photograph
- Hands-on demonstration and supervised hands-on exercises in classroom
- Distance mentoring phase: Participants will pick three photographs from their family collection and apply the systematic approach taught in classroom. Once the photographs have been analyzed and tested, a report will be written and discussed before treatment is performed (if applicable)

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