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Crain (Darrell Clayton, Jr.) Photograph Collection

An inventory of the Dr. Darrell Clayton Crain Jr. Photograph Collection at DC Public Library

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Summary Information

Repository:	People's Archive, MLK Library
Creator:	Crain, Darrell Clayton, Jr., Dr.
Title:	Dr. Darrell Clayton Crain Jr. Photograph Collection
ID:	P035
Date [inclusive]:	1949-1989
Physical Description:	2 Boxes
Language of the Material:	English
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Biographical / Historical

Native Washingtonian and lifelong resident of Washington, D.C., Dr. Darrell Clayton Crain Jr. (1910-1995) dedicated 50 years of his life to the practice of medicine. After graduating from the George Washington University School of Medicine and completing residency at Emergency Hospital, Dr. Crain served as Medical Officer at Walter Reed General Hospital before entering private practice in 1937. Notable achievements in his field include co-founding the Arthritis Rehabilitation Center in Washington, founding of the Rheumatology Clinic at Georgetown University Hospital, serving in professional and civic societies, and writing several books. Dr. Crain was a rheumatologist by profession and photographer by hobby. While in Washington, D.C. and traveling the country and abroad, he documented his experiences on film, leaving behind vibrant, color photographs that give a vivid glimpse of the past. From family vacations to the aftermath of the 1968 riots in the District to professional travel in Monaco, Dr. Crain captured candid and intimate historical moments over the span of four decades.

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Scope and Contents

The collection consists of 270 Kodachrome Ektachrome slides, three empty slide boxes, and one original 8x10 black and white photograph, as well as 275 digital surrogates of all of the analog images donated and several family photographs of Crain and his homes which the Library only received digitally. The photographs document daily life in the Washington, D.C. area, Dr. Crain's travels around the U.S. and abroad, and important events. Events depicted include the March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, the Poor People Campaign's Resurrection City protests, the 1776 United States bicentennial celebration, the 1965 and 1977 presidential inauguration parades, and the aftermath of the 1968 riots. Sites photographed around the Washington area include Glen Echo Park, Georgetown University and Georgetown University Hospital, the Tidal Basin during the Cherry Blossom season, the National Mall, 14th Street, Northminster Presbyterian Church, and other sites and statues around the District. D.C. Locations of photography outside of Washington include Duke University; Nevada; Hershey, Pennsylvania; Chatham, Massachusetts; Maine; Upstate New York; Vermont; Death Valley; the western United States; Bermuda; and Monaco.

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Arrangement

Processed without series.

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Custodial History

The Dr. Darrell C. Crain Jr. Photograph Collection was donated to the Library by Barbara Crain Rollinson and Alice R. Makl, daughter and granddaughter respectively, of the late Dr. Crain on June 2, 2015.

Processing Information

The slides were removed from their original boxes. Each box of slides was assigned a title, then corresponding slides were placed into individual acid-free compartments and stored in an archival box. Three of the empty slide boxes were kept for archival purposes and stored along with the slides. The box was then placed in the Library for long-term storage. Digital scans of the slides were created by Alice R. Makl and placed on a flash drive. The high resolution jpegs were ingested into the archival repository and cataloged for publication in the public digital collections website, Dig DC. The one original 8x10 black and white photograph was placed in an acid-free folder in an archival box which contains images from the photograph collections of: Charles Suddarth Kelly, Washington Area Metropolitan Transit Authority (e.g., "Metro"), Unity Brick Company, Washington Navy Yard, Hambright and Hoachlander, Colony Theatre, and Jackson Pace Complex.

Conditions Governing Use

No known restrictions.

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Controlled Access Headings

- Civil rights
- Photographs
- Demonstrations
- Neighborhoods
- Centennial celebrations, etc

Collection Inventory

Series 1

Title/Description	Instances	
Tidal Basin Cherry Blossoms, April 1949	Box 1	Folder 1

Children's Day at Northminster Presbyterian Church, 1950	Box 1	Folder 2
Glen Echo Park Crystal Pool, June 1950	Box 1	Folder 3
Christmas - Georgetown University Hospital, 1954	Box 1	Folder 4
Georgetown University Construction of St. Mary's Hall, 1955-1958	Box 1	Folder 5
Duke University Homecoming - Durham - North Carolina, October 1956	Box 1	Folder 6
Cherry Blossoms and Easter Monday - Tidal Basin and White House, 1958	Box 1	Folder 7
Nevada /Las Vegas/Hoover Dam, 1958	Box 1	Folder 8
Bermuda/Hamilton/various other locations, 1960	Box 1	Folder 9
Civil Rights March on Washington for Jobs and Freedom, August 28 1963	Box 1	Folder 10
Inauguration Parade for President Lyndon Johnson, 1965	Box 1	Folder 11
Hotel Hershey in Hershey - Pennsylvania, June 1965	Box 1	Folder 12
Razing Stoneleigh Court Apartments - Connecticut Ave. NW, 1965	Box 1	Folder 13
Big Snow, 1966	Box 1	Folder 14
Tents in Lafayette Square, April 1966	Box 1	Folder 15
Western USA - Utah and Colorado, 1966	Box 1	Folder 16
Aftermath of DC Riots following assassination of Martin Luther King, 1968	Box 1	Folder 17
Poor People's Campaign Resurrection City and Solidarity Day, 1968	Box 1	Folder 18
Monaco, 1973	Box 1	Folder 19
New Orleans (Jackson Square and French Quarter), 1975	Box 1	Folder 20
Bicentennial Fireworks on the National Mall, 1976	Box 1	Folder 21
Chatham - Massachusetts, August 1976	Box 1	Folder 22
Inauguration Parade for President Jimmy Carter, 1977	Box 1	Folder 23
Maine and Upstate NY (Bar Harbor -Maine/Ausable Chasm - NY/ Mirror Lake - NY), 1977	Box 1	Folder 24
Death Valley National Park - California, March 1978	Box 1	Folder 25
Vermont (Plymouth and Woodstock - Vermont), October 1988	Box 1	Folder 26
Statuary in Washington DC, January 1989	Box 1	Folder 27
Residences of Dr. Darrell C. Crain Jr., undated	Box 1	Folder 28

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(digital only for 1919, 1926, and 1941 images)

One 8x10 black and white photograph taken in the living room of Dr. Crain's home at 1619 Roxanna Road NW during an organizational meeting of the DC Rheumatism Society, June 4 1946

Box 2

Folder 1

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