



When peaks and people meet HYTE Museum of the Canadian Rockies

Peter and Catharine Whyte fonds

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Part Of:	Peter and Catharine Whyte fonds
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Description Level:	1 / Fonds
Fonds Number:	M36 / V683 / S37
Sous-Fonds:	TBD
Accession Number:	3069 and various
Reference Code:	M36 / S37 / V683
GMD:	Drawing
	Motion picture
	Film
	Photograph
	Album
	Ambrotype
	Cased photograph
	Daguerreotype
	Negative
	Photograph print
	Postcard
	Tintype
	Transparency
	Sound recording
	Cassette
	Reel to reel
	Textual record
	Plan
	Poster
	Private record
	Published record
Other Title Info:	Also known as the Whyte family fonds
Date Range:	1856-1980
Physical Description:	25 m of textual records ca.46,000 photographs : prints, albums, postcards, cased photographs, transparencies, negatives 178 sound recordings : audio tape reels, audio tape cassettes 6 motion pictures (and film strips)

History /

Biographical:

Peter and Catharine Whyte were artists, photographers, outdoor enthusiasts, travelers, philanthropists and cultural workers at Banff, Alberta, Canada. Peter Whyte, 1905-1966, was born at Banff in 1905 to pioneer merchant Dave White and Annie (Curren) White. He was an accomplished skier and ski jumper and one of the region's first native-born painters with an intimate knowledge of the mountains and was an active photographer from ca.1920 until the 1950s. Peter Whyte studied art at the Otis Art Institute, Los Angeles, 1923-1924, and at the School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Boston, 1925, where he met Catharine Robb. Catharine Robb Whyte, 1906-1979, was born in 1906 at Concord, Massachusetts and grew up amongst the wealth and creativity of the Robb and Morse families. She studied at the School of the Museum of Fine Arts at Boston, 1925-1929.

Following their marriage in 1930, the Whytes pursued a life of painting, photography, hiking, skiing and travelling. Their log home and studio in Banff became a focal point for their artist friends, Stoney Indians and local pioneers. Catharine shared Pete's involvement in skiing and hiking organizations and together they managed Skoki Lodge from 1932-1934. In following years, the Whytes travelled extensively. During the Second World War, Peter served in the reserve army, with the Royal Canadian Air Force as a photographer and, briefly, as an official war artist. Catharine continued to paint and maintain their home and, when possible, accompanied Pete to his military postings. In civilian life, Pete resumed his art career, explored new photographic techniques and sculpted.

Throughout the 1950s and 1960s, the Whytes formulated plans for a foundation to preserve the art and history of the Canadian Rockies. Plans for a building to house an archives, public library and gallery were in preparation when Pete died in 1966. The Peter Whyte Foundation was named in his honour. Catharine immersed herself in the development of what is now the Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies, in the cultural community, painting, outdoor activity, travel and work with the Stoney First Nations. She became a more active photographer, recording her travels and outdoor pursuits. She served in an official capacity with numerous cultural and charitable organizations, was a patron to individuals studying art and music, and supported numerous causes relating to the Stoney First Nations. Catharine also supported causes related to multiculturalism, regional culture and recreation, and cancer research. Despite her modesty and often anonymous patronage of causes, Catharine was recognized with numerous awards and honours, including the Order of Canada in 1978. She died in Banff in 1979.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of papers, photographs and sound recordings of Peter and Catharine Whyte and the papers and photographs of their respective families. Consists of three sous-fonds: V683, S37 and M36. M36 and S37 consists of three series. Series I: Peter and Catharine Whyte, Series II: Robb and Morse families, Series III: White and Curren families. Within Series I, there are four Sub-series: Series: A. Catharine Robb Whyte papers; B. Peter Whyte papers; C. Peter and Catharine Whyte papers accessioned after 2017; D. Peter and Catharine Whyte sound recordings.

Name Access:	Whyte, Peter
	Whyte, Catharine
Subject Access:	Arts
	Communications
	Environment
	Exploration, discovery and travel
	Family and personal life
	First nations
	Sports, recreation and leisure

Access Restrictions:	Some restriction/s on access
	Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply
Language:	Language is English
Finding Aid:	Finding aids and reference tools: arrangement outline
	sous-fonds, series and file description for textual
	sub-series and group description for photographs
	item description, subject/proper name index, and summaries for sound recordings
	reference copies for sound recordings
Creator:	Whyte, Peter
	Whyte, Catharine
Category:	Arts
	Communications
	Environment
	Exploration, discovery and travel
	Family and personal life
	First nations
	Sports, recreation and leisure
Title Source:	Title based on contents of fonds
Processing Status:	Processed

Electronic Resources



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Roy Andersen fonds

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Roy Andersen fonds

Part Of:

Description Level:

1 / Fonds

Fonds Number:	M572 / V525 / S59
Sous-Fonds:	M572 / V525 / S59
Accession Number:	6761
	2019.40
Reference Code:	M572 / V525 / S59
GMD:	Photograph
	Transparency
	Cassette
	Private record
	Postcard
Date Range:	1970 - 1991
Physical Description:	16 photographs : transparencies 1 sound recording : cassette 01 cm of textual records (1 pages ; 15.5 x 10 cm) 02 cm of textual records (10 pages ; 21.5 x 28 cm)
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History /

Biographical:

Roy Andersen was born in Kirkenes, Norway and moved to Canada with his family in the 1950s. He has a "Diploma in Sports Administration" and taught skiing as a member of the Les Voyageurs Ski School (affiliated with the Sunshine Ski School) and is the recepient of the "Alberta Achievement Award" due to his contributions to the sport of skiing.

He has been a freelance commercial photographer for 30 years and also trained to be a pilot in the 1960s. After flight school, he continuted to each skiing and did the promotional work for the Banff Chair Lift.

Roy Howard Andersen and Ellen Beatrice Wilson married on December 27, 1969 at Rundle United Church.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of three sous-fonds : M572 (textual), V525 (photographs), S59 (sound).

M572 consists of two items, 0.3 cm, ca. 1955 to 1991 (write up pertaining to a headdress gifted to Major General George G. Brown in 1991 after his involvement with the Canadian Military National Ski Competition at Mount Norquay in 1974; portfolio for postcard with Roy Anderson image used with "Souvenir of Sunshine Village Ski School - photo by Roy Andersen")

V525 consists of 16 photographs, (Catharine Whyte and Grant MacEwan at a Sundance ceremony, Morley, Alberta)

S59 consists of one sound recording, 1979 (Catharine Robb Whyte's memorial service on March 15, 1979 at the Eric Harvie Theatre)

Notes: Postcard portfolio filed with associated postcard V683/VI/pg-106
Name Access: Andersen, Roy
MacEwen, Grant
Whyte, Catharine

Subject Access:	First Nations
	Indigenous Peoples
	Stoney Nakoda
	Military
	Ski areas
	Skiing
	Memorial
	Photography
Geographic Access:	Banff
	Banff National Park
	Morley
Access Restrictions:	No restrictions on access
	Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply
Language:	English
Creator:	Andersen, Roy
Biographical Source Notes:	https://www.royandersenphotography.com/ ; http://www.stephenloweartgallery.ca/artists/ar0404001.asp ; M36 / 198 ; M36 / 199
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