

# Research Collections



### Pat Brewster fonds

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Part Of: Pat Brewster fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds

Fonds Number: M2 / V91 / S21

Sous-Fonds: V91

Accession Number: 12, 13, 80, 93, 110, 145, 340, 380, 899, 1006, 1110, 1179, 1210, 1235,

1398, 1409, 1440, 1505, 1784, 1874, 2176, 2216, 2303, 2361, 2410, 2643, 2791, 2816, 2880, 2903, 2933, 2940, 3051, 3157, 3181, 3393, 3642, 3733, 3734, 3780, 3821, 3921, 3969, 5028, 5336, 6018

Reference Code: M2 / S21 / V91
GMD: Photograph

Album Negative

Photograph print

Postcard

Transparency
Sound recording

Cassette

Textual record

Drawing Map Poster

Private record

Date Range: 1841-1983

Physical Description: ca.80 cm of textual material. -- ca.900 photographs : prints, postcards,

transparencies, negatives, copy negatives. -- 1 photograph album (50

prints). -- 3 sound recordings : audio tape cassettes

History / Biographical:

Forrest Oliver "Pat" Brewster, 1896-1982, was a trail guide, outfitter and businessman in Banff, Alberta, Canada. Pat was a native and life-long resident of Banff. As a boy, he was an active Boy Scout and, by age seventeen, was a big game guide. After serving in World War I, Brewster established the first permanent camp at Lake O'Hara for the Canadian Pacific Railway. In 1926, he took over the Brewster Transport Company outfitting business from his brothers, Bill and Jim. In the 1930s, he became involved in skiing explorations in the Assiniboine, Skoki and Sunshine areas. Pat Brewster was active in community affairs and, in his later years, was an avid historian of the region. He published three books of reminiscences between 1975 and 1982.

### Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of four series: I. Personal, II. Professional, III. Activities, IV. Brewster family.

I. Personal series, 1905-1982, 18 cm of textual records, 160 photographs, 2 sound recordings. Includes correspondence, interview and recorded conversation, address/notebook, artwork, other textual records, photographs.

II. Professional series, 1892-1982, 47.5 cm of textual records, 266 photographs, 1 sound recording. Includes papers pertaining to various Brewster family and other businesses, writing papers and sound recording, and photographs pertaining to guiding and outfitting, tourism promotion and other.

Ill. Activities series, 1841-1983, 6.5 cm of textual records, 262 photographs. Pertains to genealogical research, other activities and collected material.

IV. Brewster family series, 1841-1981, 2.5 cm of textual records, 132 photographs. Pertains to Brewster family, Jack Brewster, John Brewster, Pearl Brewster Moore and the Moore family.

Name Access: Brewster, Pat

Subject Access: Commerce and industry

Family and personal life

Sports, recreation and leisure

Access Restrictions: Some restrictions on access to originals

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Language: English

Finding Aid: Finding aids and reference tools: arrangement outline

series and file description electronic finding aid

reference copies and summaries for sound recordings

Creator: Brewster, Pat

Category: Commerce and industry

Family and personal life

Sports, recreation and leisure

Title Source: Title based on contents of fonds

Processing Status: Processed

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# Peter and Catharine Whyte fonds

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Part Of: Peter and Catharine Whyte fonds

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

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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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# Moore family fonds

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions289

Part Of: Moore family fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds

Fonds Number: M 307

V 439

Sous-Fonds: M 307

V 439

Accession Number: 347, 421, 988, 1018, 1029, 1891, 2037, 2091, 2764, 2769, 2828, 2872,

2933, 3891, 5248, 5581, 6020, 7412 (unproc)

Reference Code: M307 / V439
GMD: Photograph

Album Negative

Photograph print Transparency Textual record

Diary Drawing

Private record

Published record

Scrapbook

Date Range: 1838-1973

Physical Description: ca.1 m textual records. -- ca.3400 photographs: prints, transparencies,

negatives. -- 10 photograph albums (ca.1000 prints). -- 24 motion

pictures.

History / Biographical:

The Moore family resided at Banff, Alberta and Yoho Valley, British Columbia, Canada. Col. Philip A. Moore, 1879-1951, was a guide, soldier, lecturer and publicist. Pearl Brewster Moore, 1889-1973, was a homemaker and tourist lodge operator. Daughter, Edmee Brewster Moore (Reid), 1908-1971, was a homemaker and wife of Charles Reid. Pearl Brewster, born in Banff, was an active sportswoman. In 1905, she met Philip Moore, who had joined Jim and Bill Brewster in the packing business. The Moores made their home in Banff in 1907. A trained soldier, Philip Moore distinguished himself in France in the First World War and served with the Calgary Highlanders during the Second World War. The Moores ran various Canadian Pacific Railway facilities, including Yoho Valley Bungalow Camp, during the 1920s and early 1930s. Col. Moore lectured widely during this period using motion pictures and lantern slides. During the 1930s, the Moores travelled extensively and were active in the Trail Riders of the Canadian Rockies. Pearl Moore was instrumental in the Banff-Jasper fund during the Second World War. In 1971, Pearl Moore gave their log home, a showcase of Stoney Nakoda artifacts and art, to the Whyte Museum of the Canadian Rockies.

#### Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of seven series:

I. Philip Moore family series, ca.1882-1964, 42 cm., and contains three sub-series: A. Personal papers and photographs, 1897-1964 (college career, personal life, activities and estate); B. Professional papers and photographs, 1905-[ca.1950] (military career and research, writing and lecturing); C. Volunteer activities, 1935-1945 (Jubilee Committee; National War Finance Committee, Victory Loan program).

II. Pearl Moore series. -- 1890-1973. -- 21.5 cm of textual records. -- 156 photographs: prints. -- Series consists of three sub-series: A. Personal papers and photographs, 1990-1973 (photographs, letters, diaries, notes and notebooks, and other material); B. Legal and financial papers, 1908-1971; C. Volunteer activities, [1940?]-1942 (Banff-Jasper Spitfire Fund, the Red Cross, wartime work).

Ill. Edmee Moore series. -- 1908-1965. -- 8 cm of textual records. -- 152 photographs: prints, 4 photograph albums. -- Series consists of six sub-series: A. Photographs, 1908-1965; B. Letters and notes, [ca.1915-ca.1920]; C. Sketchbooks; D. Diaries and scrapbooks, 1926-1938; E. Financial and legal papers, 1935-1965; F. Other, 1919-1953.

V. Philip Moore family series. -- 1885-1970. -- 20 cm of textual records. -- 1183 photographs (1075 prints and negatives, 117 transparencies, 51 stereo cards). -- 11 motion pictures. -- Series consists of seven sub-series: A. Family portraits, 1885-[ca.1970]; B. Home, friends and activities, [ca.1910]-1962; C. Financial papers, 1907-1951; D. Travel, 1931-1936; E. Business papers, bungalow camp operations, 1921-1932; F. Banff/Lake Louise area photographs, 1885-1965; G. Other, [ca.1895-ca.1960].

V. Moore and Brown families series. — 1838-1950. — 8 cm of textual records. — 156 photographs: prints. — Series consists of five sub-series: A. Roger Brown Moore, 1890-1931; B. Maria K. Moore estate, 1922-1927; C. William Gordon Moore, Laura Moore and Roger Brown Moore estate, 1930-1939; D. Maria K. Moore and Roger Brown Moore, 1925-1930; E. Other material, 1838-1950.

VI. Brewster family series. -- [ca.1880]-1970. -- 6 cm of textual records. -- 289 photographs: prints, 2 photograph albums. -- Series consists of five sub-series: A. John and Isabella Brewster, 1904-1948; B. Fred Brewster, 1909-1953; C. James I. Brewster, 1909-1936; D. Fern Brewster, 1930-1932; E. Brewster family, [ca.1880]-1970; F. Other material, 1898-1969.

VII. Other material series. -- 1885-1970. -- 709 photographs: prints. -- Series consists of three sub-series: A. Scenics, 1885-1970; B. People, 1885-1970; C. Other, 1885-1970.

Name Access: Moore, Edmee

Moore, Pearl Moore, Phil

Subject Access: Exploration, discovery and travel

Military

Access Restrictions: Some restrictions on access to originals

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Language: Language is English

Finding Aid: Finding aids and reference tools: file description and index

electronic finding aid

summaries and video reference copies for some motion pictures

Related Material: Portion of photographs related by provenance to Mary Schaffer Warren

fonds (M79 /V527)

Creator: Moore, Pearl

Moore, Philip

Category: Exploration, discovery and travel

Military

Title Source: Title based on contents of fonds
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# Mary (Molly) Wright Adams fonds

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Part Of: Mary (Molly) Wright Adams fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds Fonds Number: M555

V777

Sous-Fonds: M555

V777

Accession Number: 2018.8685
Reference Code: M555 / V777
GMD: Photograph

Album

Photograph print Textual record

Diary Drawing Postcard

Private record

Responsibility: Some materials produced by Catharine (Adams) Elkin

Date Range: [ca.1844 - 1909]

[ca.1939 - 1944] 1980 - 1981

2014

Physical Description: 21 cm of textual records -- 16 postcards -- 3 drawings -- 1 photograph

album: 107 b&w photographs

History / Biographical:

Mary Wright (Molly) Adams was born on 15 October 1868. in Ridgefield Connecticut. She was the third of five children born to Cornelia Ann Cook (1830-1902) and Daniel Lucius Adams (1814 - 1899) She died in Kobe, Japan on 23 January 1909 and was buried there.

### Scope & Content:

Fonds consists of textual records, postcards, drawings and one photograph album pertaining to Mary (Molly) Wright Adams (1868-1909); transcripts of Molly's original letters which were compiled by Molly's sister, Catharine Elkin (nee Adams) between ca.1939 and 1941; and transcriptions of letters sent between Molly's extended family members [including members of the Adams, Cook and Wright families], ca.1844 and 1866.

Textual records primarily consist of correspondence sent between Molly Adams and various friends and family members [ca.1891-1909].

Notes: Fonds consists of two series:

Series I: Correspondence [contains two sub-series: I/A: Molly Wright

Adams; I/B: Extended family]

Series II: Personal and collected records

Name Access: Adams, Molly

Schaffer, Mary

Subject Access: Family and personal life

Family

Correspondence

Travel

Exploration

Geographic Access: United States of America

Connecticut New York Europe

Language: English

Creator: Mary (Molly) Wright Adams fonds

Category: Family and personal life

Exploration and travel

Biographical Source

Searching for Mary Schaffer: Women Wilderness Photography by

Notes:

Colleen Skidmore

Title Source: Title based on contents of fonds

Processing Status: Processed

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### John Brewster

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Artist: Unknown

Title: John Brewster
Date: 1870 – 1875

Medium: charcoal; graphite on paper

Dimensions: 47.0 x 39.0 cm

Description: A head and shoulders portrait of John Brewster.

Subject: portrait

male

Credit: Gift of Pearl Evelyn Moore, Banff, 1979

Catalogue Number: UnK.03.01

### **Images**



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