

Research Collections



Wapta Lodge brochure photograph

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions56910

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File Fonds Number: M300

> S20 V500

Series: V500 / II: Professional records

Sous-Fonds: V500

Sub-Series: V500 / II / C / 5 : Professional Photography

Accession Number: 8148

Reference Code: V500 / II / C / 5 / PA - 689

GMD: Photograph

Print

Responsibility: Produced by Nicholas Morant

Date Range: 1947

Physical Description: 1 photograph: b&w print; 25 x 20.5 cm

Scope & Content:

File consists of one photograph depicting Jean Thompson, Ann (Lawrence) Tomlinson, and four unidentified individuals posing inside Wapta Lodge. Photograph was produced by Nicholas Morant for use in a promotional brochure for Wapta Lodge in 1947.

Notes: Annotated on front of photograph below image in blue ink: "WAPTA 1947

Jean + Ann are at the piano"

Annotated [by Jean Thompson] in blue and black ink on back of

photograph: "This photo was used in Wapta Brochures. I am at the piano

+ Ann Lawrence (now Tomlinson) is standing by piano."

Photograph includes Nicholas Morant copyright stamp on back

Name Access: Thompson, Jean

Lawrence, Ann

Subject Access: Promo

Advertising
Wapta Lodge

Tourism

Geographic Access: Canada

British Columbia

Language: English
Category: Tourism

Title Source: Title based on contents of file

Processing Status: Processed



V-1. Victoria, general scenics

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18953

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-1

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 57 photographs: negatives, film, b/w

Notes: NM note: RR 2nds Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English

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V-2. Beacon Hill Park, gal & ducks, Mrs. Sheila Morgan

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18954

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-2

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 5 photographs : negatives, film, b/w

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English



V-3. Vancouver homes, etc

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18955

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-3

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 8 photographs: negatives, film, b/w

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English

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V-4. Apple picking girl, Moira Latimer, Penticton

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18956

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-4

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 9 photographs : negatives, film, b/w

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English



V-5. Victoria, Totem Park

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18957

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-5

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 7 photographs: negatives, film, b/w

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English

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V-6. Victoria, assortment

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18958

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-6

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 11 photographs: negatives, film, b/w, 6x6 cm

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English



V-7. Victoria '48-9 series

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18959

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-7

Date Range: 1948-1949

Physical Description: 15 photographs: negatives, film, b/w

Scope & Content:

Vancouver Island BC

Notes: NM notes: Empress; Metchosin Church; Empress 2nds

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English

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V-8. Swiss Village at Golden

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18960

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / V-8

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 6 photographs: negatives, film, b/w

Scope & Content:

Home of CPR Swiss guides

Geographic Access: British Columbia

Language: English

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Nicholas Morant fonds

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions597

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 1 / Fonds

Fonds Number: M300 / S20 / V500 Sous-Fonds: M300 / S20 / V500

Accession Number: 122, 182, 1273, 1460, 1612, 1685, 2175, 2265, 2631, 2703, 5117,

7438, 7784, 7672, 7914, 2023.01

Reference Code: M300 / S20 / V500

GMD: Album

Drawing Film

Government record

Map
Blueprint
Negative
Photograph
Photograph print

Postcard Poster

Private record
Recording disc
Scrapbook

Sound recording Textual record Transparency

Responsibility: Nicholas Morant, Canadian Pacific, various

Date Range: 1892-1995, predominant 1920-1981

Physical Description: ca.50,775 photographs: ca.23,795 negatives, ca.18,456 transparencies,

ca.8524 prints. -- 11 photograph albums. -- 125 sound recordings

History / Biographical:

Nicholas Everard Morant, 1910-1999, was a professional photographer based at Banff, Alberta, Canada. He was a Canadian commercial photographer of international repute and Canada's premier railway photographer of the 20th century.

Morant was born at Kamloops, British Columbia, the son of Francis and Mollie Morant. After attending the University School at Victoria, Morant served as Special Photographer to the CPR from 1929 to 1935 and again from 1944 to 1981. From 1935 to 1939, he was a cameraman for the Winnipeg Free Press, and from 1940 to 1944 worked with the Wartime Information Branch of the federal government (later to be known as the National Film Board Stills Division).

Morant had a prolific career as a freelance commercial, portrait, magazine, landscape and documentary photographer. His work appeared in numerous books and magazines, including Time, Life, Liberty, Saturday Evening Post, (Toronto) Star Weekly, Northern Sportsman, Reader's Digest, Country Guide, The Standard, National Home Monthly, Canadian Photography, Outdoor Canada, National Geographic, the Globe & Mail, Winnipeg Tribune, New York Daily News, and the two Canadian Pacific Railway magazines, The Spanner and Rail News.

Two wartime images were featured on postage stamps, while three landscape views appeared on Canadian \$10, \$50 and \$100 bills. His images were also used for corporate annual reports, postcards, brochures, calendars and advertisements. From the 1950s to 1980s Morant gave public slide shows of his work, two of the most popular being "A Talk Without Words" and "The World At Your Feet".

Morant married by May "Willie" Young in 1936 when he was a photographer with the Winnipeg Free Press. Beginning in 1929, and until the end of her life, Morant's travelling and working companion was his wife, "Willie," 1910-1986.

Scope & Content:

The Nicholas Morant fonds consists of Morant's freelance work from his early days with the Winnipeg Free Press to his retirement from the Canadian Pacific Railway in 1981. It is national in scope and also includes some international material. The fonds is comprised of three series: I. Photography; II. Professional records; III. Personal and family records.

I. Photography series consists of: A. Negatives and transparencies, B. Transparencies, C. Prints, D. Other photographs. II. Professional records series consists of: A. Working records, B. Career records, C. Topical files. III. Personal and family records series consists of: A. Nick and Willie Morant, B. Nick Morant funeral and memorial, C. Francis and Mollie Morant, D. Collected material

Notes: Full summary of sub-sub-series levels:

I/A: 1) Darkroom Files [a) Negative Albums b) Black/White Series I and

II c) Colour Series I and II

d) Leica Negs]

2) GD Files

I/B: 1) Presentations [a) Topical Files b) Thematic Files]

2) General Files

3) Other

I/C:1) Print Files

I/D: 1) Exhibition and Display Prints

2) Photographs used by John Garden

3) Other Photographs

II/A:1) Log Books

2) Notebooks

II / B : 1) Career Binders [a) Postcards b) Brochures and Advertising c) clippings and articles

d) Calendar Photographs]

2) Scrapbooks [a) Content 1933 - 1946 b) Content 1940 - 1980]

II / C : 1) Numbered / Titled Files [a) Group A b) Group B c) Group C d)

Group D e) Group H

f) Group Pg) Group R]

2) Other Topical Files [a) Railway; i) Timetables ii) Publications iii) Other

b) Photography; i) Textual Records ii) Print Material

c) Travel d) Exhibitions and Galleries e)Personal f) Other]

3) Postcards, Greeting Cards and Ephemera Collection

4) Published Images and Text

5) Professional Photography

6) Promotional Items, Awards and Correspondence

7) Presentation and Interview Materials

III / A: 1) Correspondence

2) Personal Papers [a) Personal Records b) Notes and Notebooks c)

Lists and Card Files

d) Awards and Retirement]

3) Personal Photographs

4) House Records [a) Construction b) Household Records]

5) Business, Financial and Legal Papers

6) Interviews, Reminiscences Personal Recordings

7) Other Records (Signs, Cartoons, Drawings, etc.)

8) Personal Correspondence and Notes

9) Travel Documents and Maps

III / B: 1) Nick Morant Funeral, Memorial and Estate

III / C: 1) Mollie Morant Papers

2) Other Family Papers

III / D: 1) Sound Recordings

2) Biographical Material

3) Other Papers and Photographs [a) Burton Wheatley Family b) Other]

4) Personal and Family Photography

5) Personal Interest and Gifts

Name Access: Morant, Nicholas

Subject Access: Environment

Exploration, discovery and travel

Transportation

Geographic Access: Alberta

Banff

British Columbia

Peru

Canadian Rocky Mountains

Canada Manitoba

New Brunswick

Newfoundland and Labrador

Nova Scotia Ontario Quebec

Saskatchewan

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

series and file description

electronic and online finding aids

Creator: Morant, Nicholas
Category: Environment

Exploration, discovery and travel

Transportation

Biographical Source

Brock Silversides; We Live in a Postcard: Banff Family Histories (Banff:

Notes:

Banff History Book Committee, 2005)

Title Source: Title based on contents of fonds
Processing Status: Processed / Unprocessed



T-25. Martin Itjen's Soapy Smith Saloon, Skagway

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18935

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / T-25

Date Range: 193-

Physical Description: 5 photographs: negatives, film, b/w

Scope & Content:

Alaska

Notes: NM note: figures were "automated" by control wires rigged to doors when

opened!; late '30s.

Geographic Access: United States of America

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T-26. Alaska hi-way, the sentry

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18936

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / T-26

Date Range: [ca.1946]

Physical Description: 2 photographs : negatives, film, b/w

Notes: NM note: U.S. Army engineers building Alaska Highway

Geographic Access: United States of America



T-27. Alaska hi-way, early bus service, 1946

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18937

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / T-27

Date Range: 1946

Physical Description: 6 photographs : negatives, film, b/w
Notes: NM note: south of Whitehorse

Geographic Access: Yukon

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U-1. Multi stemmed 4 leaf clovers

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18938

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-1

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 1 photograph: negative, glass, b/w

Scope & Content:

Location unknown

Notes: NM notes: unusual feature; see same file XYZ

Geographic Access: Canada



U-2. Geese migration

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18939

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-2

Date Range: [ca.1935]

Physical Description: 3 photographs : negatives, glass, b/w Notes: NM note: near Rosser, Manitoba

Geographic Access: Manitoba

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U-3. Clippings, handwriting tricks

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18940

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-3

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 4 photographs : negatives, glass, film, b/w

Notes: NM note: see same file XYZ

Geographic Access: Canada



U-4. Wedding ring found in onion

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18941

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-4

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 1 photograph: negative, glass, b/w

Notes: NM notes: "Saturday Snapshots"; see same file XYZ

Geographic Access: Canada

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U-5. Golfball wedged in washer

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18942

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-5

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 1 photograph: negative, glass, b/w

Notes: NM notes: "Saturday Snapshot"; see same file XYZ

Geographic Access: Canada



U-6. Landscape in lightbulb

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18943

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-6

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 1 photograph: negative, glass, b/w

Notes: NM notes: old "Saturday Snapshot"; see same file XYZ

Geographic Access: Canada

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U-7. Shadbolt, muralist, Vancouver

https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions18944

Part Of: Nicholas Morant fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: I.A. Photography: negatives and transparencies / 1.b. Darkroom files:

black/white I

Reference Code: V500 / A2 / U-7

Date Range: [between 1930 and 1980]

Physical Description: 3 photographs : negatives, film, b/w

Scope & Content:

Jack Shadbolt, 1909-1998, was an artist, teacher and writer at Vancouver BC

Notes: NM note: juke gals Geographic Access: British Columbia