



Lawrence Grassi fonds

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| Part Of: | Lawrence Grassi fonds |
| Description Level: | 1 / Fonds |
| Fonds Number: | M 45 V 240 |
| Sous-Fonds: | M 45 V 240 |
| Accession Number: | 249, 282, 830, 1626, 1943, 2262, 2826, 3159, 3446, 3985 |
| Reference Code: | M45 / V240 |
| GMD: | Photograph Album Negative Photograph print Transparency Textual record Private record Published record |
| Date Range: | [ca.1880]-1979 |
| Physical Description: | ca.25 cm of textual records. -- ca.2300 photographs : prints, transparencies, negatives. -- 1 photograph album (180 prints) |

History /

Biographical:

Lawrence Grassi, 1890-1980, was a miner and mountaineer at Canmore, Alberta, Canada. Grassi was born in Falmenta, Italy and emigrated to Canada in 1912, working first as a section man for the Canadian Pacific Railway and from 1916 to 1945 as a miner for Canmore Mines. Grassi distinguished himself in solo mountain climbing and as an unofficial guide to many other mountaineers. Grassi is best remembered for trail building activities. J. S. Woodsworth led support for legislation to change the name of Twin Lakes in White Man Pass to Grassi Lakes in recognition of this work. As assistant warden at Lake O'Hara, British Columbia, Grassi upgraded and built numerous trails for which he received many honours in later life.

Scope & Content:

Fonds consist of papers and photographs produced and collected by Lawrence Grassi.

Textual records consist of correspondence, 1918-1979, from family in Italy and organizations and individuals in Canada; personal papers, 1912-1975; publications and ephemera from organizations, including the Alpine Club of Canada, Canadian Youth Hostels Association, Skyline Trail Hikers of the Canadian Rockies; newsclippings, articles and other material pertaining to Grassi and mountaineering.

Photographs pertain mainly to mountain scenery of Alberta and British Columbia, particularly Banff National Park, Lake O'Hara and region, Jasper National Park, Mount Assiniboine and region, Grotto Mountain and Grassi Lakes, ca.1930-ca.1970. Also includes views of Lawrence Grassi, family and friends, ca.1880-ca.1970, and group of unidentified portraits, ca.1880-ca.1900. Transparencies are mainly unidentified colour mountain scenics. Most views are by Grassi; some are by Richard Rushworth and F. V. Longstaff.

Name Access: Grassi, Lawrence

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| Subject Access: | Alpine Club of Canada Environment Family and personal life Mountaineering Sky Line Trail Hikers of the Canadian Rockies Sports, recreation and leisure |
| Access Restrictions: | No restrictions on access Copyright, privacy, commercial use and other restrictions may apply |
| Language: | Language is primarily English. Some correspondence is in Italian |
| Finding Aid: | Finding aids and reference tools: arrangement outline file description and index for photographs electronic finding aid |
| Creator: | Grassi, Lawrence |
| Category: | Environment Family and personal life Sports, recreation and leisure |
| Title Source: | Title based on contents of fonds |
| Processing Status: | Processed |

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7.Canmore area, Alberta [b.Three Sisters]. -- [ca.1930-ca.1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3574>

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| Part Of: | Lawrence Grassi fonds |
| Description Level: | 5 / File |
| Series: | II.A. Landscape photographs |
| Reference Code: | V240 / |
| GMD: | Photograph, print |
| Physical Description: | 34 photographs : prints, negatives |
| Scope & Content: | Pertains to Three Sisters, including an ascent. |
| Access Restrictions: | Access to negatives is by appointment only |

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1.Banff National Park [a.Banff town area i.Mount Louis]. -- [ca.1930- ca.1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3575>

Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Series: II.A. Landscape photographs
Reference Code: V240 / 1 - 31
GMD: Photograph, print
Physical Description: 39 photographs : prints, negatives
Scope & Content:
Includes Mount Louis, from various angles,
Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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1.Banff National Park [c.Lake Louise area]. -- [ca.1930-ca.1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3578>

Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Series: II.A. Landscape photographs
Reference Code: V240 / 122 - 163
GMD: Photograph, print
Physical Description: 59 photographs : prints, negatives
Scope & Content:
Pertains to Moraine Lake region, Paradise Valley and immediate Lake Louise region.
Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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1.Banff National Park [d.Bow Lake area]. -- [ca.1930-ca.1970]

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Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: II.A. Landscape photographs

Reference Code: V240 / 164 - 229

GMD: Photograph, print

Physical Description: 103 photographs : prints, negatives

Scope & Content:

Pertains to Mount Hector, Mount Balfour, Mosquito Creek, Bow Lake, Bow Glacier, Peyto Glacier and Peyto Lake.

Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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1.Banff National Park [e.North of Bow Lake]. -- [ca.1930-ca.1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3582>

Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds

Description Level: 5 / File

Series: II.A. Landscape photographs

Reference Code: V240 / 230 - 267

GMD: Photograph, print

Physical Description: 66 photographs : prints, negatives

Scope & Content:

Pertains to Waterfowl Lakes, Mount Chephren, Saskatchewan Crossing area, Saskatchewan Glacier and Nigel Creek.

Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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2.Yoho National Park [a.Lake O'Hara i.Odaray Mountain]. -- [ca.1930- ca.1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3581>

Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Series: II.A. Landscape photographs
Reference Code: V240 / 268 - 287
GMD: Photograph, print
Physical Description: 24 photographs : prints, negatives
Scope & Content:
Pertains to Odaray Mountain, especially ascents by Lawrence Grassi.
Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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2.Yoho National Park [a.Lake O'Hara ii.Other]. -- [ca.1930-ca.1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3580>

Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Series: II.A. Landscape photographs
Reference Code: V240 / 288 - 352
GMD: Photograph, print
Physical Description: 90 photographs : prints, negatives
Scope & Content:
Pertains to Lake O'Hara and Lake O'Hara region, other than Odaray Mountain.
Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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1. Banff National Park [a. Banff town area ii. Other]. -- [ca. 1930- ca. 1970]

<https://archives.whyte.org/en/permalink/descriptions3576>

Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Series: II.A. Landscape photographs
Reference Code: V240 / 32 - 58
GMD: Photograph, print
Physical Description: 42 photographs : prints, negatives
Scope & Content:
Views relating to Banff townsite, Cascade Mountain, Mount Rundle, Lake Minnewanka, Carrot Creek.
Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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2. Yoho National Park [b. Yoho Valley / Emerald Lake]. -- [ca. 1930- ca. 1970]

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Part Of: Lawrence Grassi fonds
Description Level: 5 / File
Series: II.A. Landscape photographs
Reference Code: V240 / 353 - 370
GMD: Photograph, print
Physical Description: 33 photographs : prints, negatives
Scope & Content:
Pertains to Emerald Lake region, Takakkaw Falls, Laughing Falls, Twin Falls, Little Yoho Valley and Yoho Glacier region.
Access Restrictions: Access to negatives is by appointment only

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