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Guide to the

**New York Public Library Visual Materials**

1875-

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## Summary

**Creator:** New York Public Library

**Title:** New York Public Library Visual Materials

**Date:** 1875-

**Source:** Transfer from New York Public Library divisions and branches.

**Abstract:** NYPL Archives Record Group 10 consists of visual materials that document New York Public Library buildings, programs, staff and predecessor institutions from 1875 to the present. Formats include photoprints, negatives, transparencies, albums, drawings, prints and postcards.

### Conditions Governing Access:

Access to the collection is restricted to qualified scholars and researchers through the Office of Special Collections, Room 316. Original lantern slides contained in Subseries IIB are closed to research. Digital duplicates of all lantern slides have been made and will soon be available through The New York Public Library Digital Library Collection. Original Child Welfare Exhibit Scrapbook (Series IV, Volume 9) is closed to research. Full-page copy prints of this item are available.

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## Creator History

The New York Public Library was formed in 1895 through the consolidation of the Astor Library, the Lenox Library and the Tilden Trust. The Astor Library was a public reference library begun in 1839 and incorporated ten years later under the will of John Jacob Astor (1763-1848). The Lenox Library, founded in 1870, was made up of the collections of rare books and manuscripts, especially Bibles, early printing, Americana, and voyages and travels formed by James Lenox (1800-1880). To this was added a \$2 million endowment and 15,000 volumes from the trust of political leader Samuel J. Tilden (1814-1886).

While the New York Public Library is a private corporation its charter stipulates it to be both free and open to all. The Library is organized into four groups: the Board of Trustees, Central Administration, Research Libraries, and Branch Libraries. The directors of both the Research and Branch Libraries report to the Central Administration which is headed by the Director of the Library who reports to the President and the Board of Trustees.

After consolidation, both the Astor and Lenox Libraries continued to operate separately until the opening of the Central Building in 1911. Initially, John Shaw Billings (The Library's first Director) handled many of the functions which would become the responsibility of the director of the Research Libraries. Between 1901 and 1906, 14 already extant free circulating libraries (including the Aguilar Free Library, Cathedral Library, and the New York Free Circulating Library) were united to form the nucleus of the branch libraries. Andrew Carnegie's 1901 gift established the financial foundation of the branch system which serves three of the five New York City Boroughs: the Bronx, Manhattan, and Staten Island.

## Scope and Content Note

NYPL Archives Record Group 10 consists of visual materials that document New York Public Library buildings, programs, staff and predecessor institutions from 1875 to the present. Formats include photoprints, negatives, transparencies, albums, drawings, prints and postcards. Major subjects include the Astor Library, the N.Y.P.L. Branch Libraries, celebrations, construction of the landmark Central Building on Fifth Avenue, the Croton Reservoir, exhibits, the free circulating libraries of New York City, individuals associated with the Library, the Lenox Library, the N.Y.P.L. Research Libraries, staff organizations, parades in front of the Central Building, and activities during World War I and World War II. There are also photographs of children's activities in the branch libraries taken by Lewis Hine for the Child Welfare Exhibit of 1911. The photographs were taken in three boroughs of New York City: Manhattan, the Bronx, and Staten Island.

**Arrangement:** Record Group 10 is arranged into four series: I. Photoprints and Negatives; II. Transparencies; III. Other Graphic Formats; IV. Albums. Within each series materials are sorted into subject groups that are filed alphabetically. Researchers are advised that numerous subject groups appear in more than one series.

## Key Terms

### Genre/Physical Characteristic

Albums

Drawings

Glass plate negatives  
Lantern slides  
Photonegatives  
Photoprints  
Postcards

### **Subjects**

Branch libraries  
Children's libraries -- New York (State) -- New York  
Libraries -- New York (State) -- New York  
Library architecture -- New York (State) -- New York  
Library buildings -- New York (State) -- New York  
Library employees -- New York (State) -- New York  
Parades -- New York (State) -- New York  
Research libraries -- New York (State) -- New York  
World War, 1914-1918 -- War work -- New York (State) -- New York  
World War, 1939-1945 -- Libraries  
Young adults' libraries -- New York (State) -- New York

### **Geographic Names**

Bronx (New York, N.Y.)  
Manhattan (New York, N.Y.)  
Staten Island (New York, N.Y.)

### **Names**

New York Public Library  
Buckley, William F., Jr., 1925-2008  
Galbraith, John Kenneth, 1908-2006  
Hine, Lewis Wickes, 1874-1940  
Astor Library  
Lenox Library  
New York (N.Y.). Child Welfare Exhibit, 1911

## Container List

### Series I. Photoprints and Negatives

The bulk of Record Group 10 comprises photoprints and negatives of NYPL buildings, programs and staff. Highlights of this series include early images of branches of the New York Free Circulating Library and hundreds of pictures of the construction of The New York Public Library's landmark Central Building.

b. 1 f. 1	Annex Building
b. 1 f. 2	Astor Library
	Branch Libraries
b. 1 f. 3-4	Aguilar
b. 63 f. 1	Aguilar
	Oversize
b. 1 f. 5	Allerton
b. 1 f. 6	Baychester
b. 1 f. 7	Belmont
b. 1 f. 8-9	Bloomingdale
b. 1 f. 10	Bond Street
b. 1 f. 11	Castle Hill
b. 1 f. 12	Cathedral
b. 1 f. 13-15	Chatham Square
b. 62 f. 1	Chatham Square (Oversize)
b. 63 f. 3	Chatham Square (Oversize)
Map case 200-L-10	Chatham Square (Oversize)
b. 1 f. 16	City Island
b. 1 f. 17	Clason's Point
b. 1 f. 18	Columbia
b. 1 f. 19-20	Columbus
b. 1 f. 21	Countee Cullen
b. 2 f. 1	Dongan Hills
b. 2 f. 2-16	Donnell
b. 62 f. 2	Donnell - Children's Room (Oversize)
b. 62 f. 3	Donnell - Nathan Strauss (Oversize)
b. 2 f. 17	Eastchester
b. 3 f. 1	Edenwald
b. 3 f. 2	Epiphany
b. 63 f. 4	Epiphany (Oversize)
b. 3 f. 3	58th Street
b. 62 f. 4	58th Street (Oversize)
b. 3 f. 4-6	Fordham
b. 3 f. 7	Fort Washington
b. 63 f. 4	Fort Washington

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)  
Branch Libraries (cont.)

- b. 3 f. 8-9 Francis Martin
- b. 3 f. 10 General Library for the Performing Arts
- b. 3 f. 11-14 George Bruce
  - b. 62 f. 5 George Bruce (Oversize)
  - b. 63 f. 5 George Bruce (Oversize)
- b. 3 f. 15 Grand Concourse
- b. 4 f. 1-8 Great Kills
  - b. 62 f. 6 Great Kills (Oversize)
  - b. 63 f. 6 Great Kills (Oversize)
- b. 5 f. 1 Hamilton Fish
  - b. 63 f. 7 Hamilton Fish (Oversize)
- b. 5 f. 2-3 Hamilton Grange
  - b. 63 f. 8 Hamilton Grange (Oversize)
- b. 5 f. 4 Harlem
  - b. 63 f. 9 Harlem (Oversize)
- b. 5 f. 5-7 High Bridge
  - b. 63 f. 10 High Bridge (Oversize)
- b. 5 f. 8 Hudson Park
  - b. 63 f. 11 Hudson Park (Oversize)
- b. 5 f. 9 Huguenot Park
- b. 5 f. 10 Hunts Point
  - b. 63 f. 12 Hunts Point (Oversize)
- b. 6 f. 1 Inwood
- b. 6 f. 2 Jackson Square
- b. 6 f. 3 Jefferson Market
  - b. 63 f. 13 Jefferson Market (Oversize)
- b. 6 f. 4 Jerome Park
- b. 6 f. 5-6 Kingsbridge
- b. 6 f. 7 Kip's Bay
- b. 7 f. 1-13 Library for the Blind
  - b. 62 f. 7 Library for the Blind (Oversize)
- b. 8 f. 1 MacComb's Bridge
- b. 8 f. 2 Melcourt
- b. 8 f. 3-4 Melrose
- b. 8 f. 5-10 Mid-Manhattan
- b. 9 f. 1-2 Morrisania
- b. 9 f. 3 Mosholu
- b. 9 f. 4 Mott Haven
- b. 9 f. 5-9 Muhlenberg
- b. 10 f. 1 Municiple Reference Library
- b. 10 f. 2 Music Library

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)  
Branch Libraries (cont.)

- b. 10 f. 3 New Amsterdam
- b. 10 f. 4-8 New Dorp
- b. 10 f. 9 96th Street
- b. 10 f. 10 115th Street
- b. 10 f. 11 125th Street
- b. 63 f. 14 125th Street (Oversize)
- b. 11 f. 1 135th Street
- b. 11 f. 2 135th Street - Schomburg Collection
- b. 63 f. 15 135th Street (Oversize)
- b. 11 f. 3-4 Ottendorfer
- b. 11 f. 5-6 Parkchester
- b. 11 f. 7 Pelham Bay
- b. 12 f. 1-10 Port Richmond
- b. 63 f. 16 Port Richmond (Oversize)
- b. 13 f. 1 Prince's Bay
- b. 13 f. 2 Riverdale
- b. 13 f. 3 Riverside
- b. 63 f. 17 Riverside (Oversize)
- b. 13 f. 4 Rivington Street
- b. 13 f. 5 St. Agnes
- b. 13 f. 6 St. Gabriel's Park
- b. 13 f. 7-9 St. George
- b. 13 f. 10 St. Raphael
- b. 13 f. 11 Schomburg Division
- b. 13 f. 12 Sedgewick
- b. 14 f. 1 Seward Park
- b. 64 f. 1 Seward Park (Oversize)
- b. 14 f. 2 67th Street
- b. 64 f. 2 67th Street (Oversize)
- b. 14 f. 3 Soundview
- b. 14 f. 4 South Beach
- b. 14 f. 5-6 Spuyten Duyvil
- b. 14 f. 7-11 Stapleton
- b. 14 f. 12 Staten Island - unidentified
- b. 14 f. 13-14 Throg's Neck
- b. 14 f. 15 Todt Hill-Westerleigh
- b. 14 f. 16-17 Tompkins Square
- b. 64 f. 3 Tompkins Square (Oversize)
- b. 15 f. 1-4 Tottenville
- b. 15 f. 5 Tremont
- b. 64 f. 4 Tremont (Oversize)

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)  
Branch Libraries (cont.)

- b. 15 f. 6 University Heights
- b. 15 f. 7 Van Cortland
- b. 15 f. 8 Van Nest
- b. 15 f. 9-13 Wakefield
- b. 15 f. 14 Washington Heights
- b. 16 f. 1-3 Webster
- b. 62 f. 8 Webster (Oversize)
- b. 16 f. 4 West Farms
- b. 16 f. 5 West 40th Street
- b. 16 f. 6 West New Brighton
- b. 16 f. 7 Westchester Square
- b. 17 f. 1 Woodlawn
- b. 17 f. 2 Woodstock
- b. 64 f. 5 Woodstock (Oversize)
- b. 17 f. 3 Yorkville
- b. 64 f. 6 Yorkville (Oversize)
- Map case 300-A-12 Yorkville (Oversize)
- b. 17 f. 4 Unidentified branches
- b. 18 f. 1 Book Processing Office
- b. 18 f. 2 Branch Librarian Meeting
- b. 18 f. 3 Branch Libraries Council
- b. 18 f. 4 Branch Libraries Support Reception 1987
- b. 18 f. 5 Bronx Borough Office Staff
- b. 18 f. 6 Central Children's Room
- b. 18 f. 7 Central Circulation
- b. 63 f. 2 Central Circulation
- b. 18 f. 8 Central Registration
- b. 18 f. 9 Clerical Supervisors
- b. 18 f. 10 Committee on Patron Self-Checkout
- b. 18 f. 11 Community Information Service
- Exhibits
- b. 18 f. 12 American Library Association 1952, 1955
- b. 18 f. 13 Binding Suggestions
- b. 18 f. 14 Bowery Savings Bank 1953
- b. 18 f. 15 Union Dime Savings Bank
- Extension Division
- b. 18 f. 16 A.M.E.Z. Church, Staten Island
- b. 18 f. 17 B. Altman and Company
- b. 19 f. 1 Bookmobile - Bronx
- b. 19 f. 2 Bookmobile - Manhattan
- b. 20 f. 1-3 Bookmobile - Staten Island and others

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)

Branch Libraries (cont.)

Extension Division (cont.)

- b. 20 f. 4 Bookmobile - unidentified
- b. 21 f. 1 Bryant Park Open Air Reading Room
- b. 22 f. 1 Castleton Corners, Staten Island
- b. 22 f. 2 Clason's Point
- b. 22 f. 3 Ellis Island
- b. 22 f. 4 Engine Company #156, Staten Island
- b. 22 f. 5 Enos Company
- b. 22 f. 6 Mulberry Community House
- b. 22 f. 7 Mulberry Settlement House
- b. 22 f. 8 New Dorp
- b. 22 f. 9 Police Headquarters, Staten Island
- b. 22 f. 10 Post Graduate Hospital
- b. 22 f. 11 Prisons
- b. 22 f. 12 Richmond Memorial Dreyfus Foundation Hospital
- b. 22 f. 13 Staten Island Chamber of Commerce 1927
- b. 22 f. 14 Staff
- b. 22 f. 15 Unidentified
- b. 22 f. 16 Interbranch Library Association
- b. 22 f. 17 Interbranch Loan Office
- b. 22 f. 18 Maps and Charts
- b. 22 f. 19 Municipal Archives and Records Center
- b. 22 f. 20-21 New Professionals
- b. 23 f. 1-5 Office of Adult Services
- b. 24 f. 1-2 Office of Children's Services
- b. 64 f. 7 Office of Children's Services (Oversize)
- b. 25 f. 1-16 Office of Young Adult Services
- b. 64 f. 8 Office of Young Adult Services
- b. 26 f. 1-13 Office of Young Adult Services - Books for the Teen Age
- b. 27 f. 1-4 Picture Collection
- b. 27 f. 5 Readers' Adviser
- b. 27 f. 6 Retired Coordinator's Luncheon 1997
- b. 27 f. 7 Retirement Party 1956
- b. 27 f. 8-15 Special Services - South Bronx Project
- b. 28 f. 1-16 Special Services - South Bronx Project
- b. 28 f. 17 Staff
- b. 64 f. 9 Training class 1906-1907 (Oversize)
- b. 28 f. 18 25-Year Plus Staff Reception
- b. 29 Negatives of miscellaneous Branch Libraries photographs
- b. 30 Negatives of Laura V. Schnarendorf photographs of Branch Libraries 1940

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Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)

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- b. 31 f. 1 Astor Library 100th Anniversary
- b. 31 f. 2-3 Central Building Cornerstone Laying 1902
- b. 31 f. 4-5 Central Building Opening 1911
- b. 31 f. 6 Central Building 50th Anniversary 1961
- Map case 200-L-10 Central Building 50th Anniversary, staff reception breakfast 1961 (Oversize)
- b. 31 f. 7 New York Public Library Centennial, Global Libraries Summit 1995
- b. 31 f. 8 New York Public Library 40th Anniversary 1935

Central Building

- b. 65 f. 1 Aerial views (Oversize)
- b. 32 f. 1 Air Raid Shelter
- b. 65 f. 2 Alterations and additions (Oversize)
- b. 65 f. 3 Architectural details - Astor Hall window (Oversize)
- b. 65 f. 4 Architectural details - ceiling panels (Oversize)
- b. 64 f. 5 Architectural details - Vase on steps (Oversize)
- b. 32 f. 2-3 Astor Hall
- b. 65 f. 6 Astor Hall (Oversize)
- b. 32 f. 4 Bindery
- b. 32 f. 5 Boiler Room
- b. 32 f. 6 Carpentry Shop

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- b. 33 f. 1 Accident
- b. 33 f. 2 Architectural details
- b. 33 f. 3 Billings Sketch
- b. 65 f. 7-8 Carrère and Hastings drawings (Oversize)  
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- b. 33 f. 4 Carrère and Hastings drawings of the facade  
Closed to public research
- b. 33 f. 5-18 Carrère and Hastings numbered drawings  
Closed to public research
- b. 34 f. 1-10 Carrère and Hastings drawings - negatives  
Closed to public research
- b. 33 f. 19 Carrère and Hastings workshop
- b. 33 f. 20 Croton Reservoir demolition
- b. 35 f. 1-7 Exterior marble work 1902 - 1909
- b. 35 f. 8 Flagpole base
- b. 35 f. 9 Foundation work
- b. 35 f. 10-16 Interior work 1903 - 1908

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)  
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- b. 36 f. 1 Interior work - Art and Architecture Room
- b. 36 f. 2 Interior work - Astor Hall
- b. 36 f. 3 Interior work - Board of Trustees Room
- b. 36 f. 4 Interior work - boilers
- b. 36 f. 5 Interior work - Cataloging Room
- b. 36 f. 6 Interior work - Courtyards
- b. 36 f. 7 Interior work - Director's Office, Room 210
- b. 36 f. 8 Interior work - Gottesman Exhibition Hall
- b. 36 f. 9 Interior work - hallways
- b. 36 f. 10 Interior work - Local History and Genealogy Room, 315N
- b. 36 f. 11-12 Interior work - Main Reading Room
  - b. 66 f. 3 Interior work - Main Reading Room (Oversize)
- b. 36 f. 13 Interior work - men's room
- b. 36 f. 14 Interior work - Patents Room, 121
- b. 36 f. 15 Interior work - Periodicals Division, Room 111
- b. 36 f. 16 Interior work - Room 78
- b. 36 f. 17 Interior work - Room 80
- b. 36 f. 18 Interior work - Room 213
- b. 36 f. 19 Interior work - stacks
- b. 36 f. 20 Interior work - Stuart Gallery
- b. 36 f. 21 Interior work - stairways
- b. 36 f. 22 Marble delivery
- b. 36 f. 23-24 Marble yards
  - b. 65 f. 9 Marble yards (Oversize)
- b. 36 f. 25 Models
  - b. 65 f. 10 Models (Oversize)
  - b. 66 f. 4 Models (Oversize)
- Map case 200-L-10 Models (Oversize)
- b. 36 f. 26 Plaster workshop
- b. 36 f. 27 Printing and binding office
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- b. 36 f. 29 Stone quarries
- b. 36 f. 30 Workmen
  - b. 37 Negatives of miscellaneous Central Building construction images
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- b. 38 f. 2 Electrical shop
- b. 38 f. 3 Engine Room
- b. 38 f. 4-5 Entrances
  - b. 65 f. 11 Entrances - 42nd Street (Oversize)
- b. 38 f. 6 Exhibition Room, 112
- b. 38 f. 7 Exterior cleaning

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- b. 65 f. 12 Exterior cleaning
- b. 38 f. 8-16 Exterior views
- b. 65 f. 13-14 Exterior views (Oversize)
- b. 66 f. 5-6 Exterior views (Oversize)
- b. 38 f. 17 Facade statues
- b. 38 f. 18 Facilities maintenance
- b. 38 f. 19 Fifth Avenue Plaza
- b. 38 f. 20 Gottesman Exhibition Hall
- b. 65 f. 15 Gottesman Exhibition Hall (Oversize)
- b. 39 f. 1 Lions
- b. 39 f. 2 Metal Working Shop
- b. 39 f. 3 Murals
- b. 39 f. 4 Paint Shop
- b. 39 f. 5 Paintings
- b. 39 f. 6-8 Parades on Fifth Avenue
- b. 39 f. 9 Picture Gallery, Room 318
- b. 39 f. 10-13 Placques
- b. 39 f. 14 Plumbing Shop
- b. 39 f. 15 Printing Office and Bindery
- b. 39 f. 16 Roof
- b. 39 f. 17 Sculpture and monuments
- b. 65 f. 16 Sculpture and monuments (Oversize)
- b. 39 f. 18 Stuart Gallery
- b. 39 f. 19 Sub-basement
- b. 39 f. 20-23 Third floor hallway
- b. 39 f. 24 Trustees Room
- b. 40 Negatives of miscellaneous Central Building images
- b. 41 f. 1-8 Christmas events
- b. 41 f. 9 Croton Reservoir
- b. 66 f. 7 Croton Reservoir (Oversize)
- b. 67 f. 1 Croton Reservoir
- b. 42 f. 1 Editor
- b. 42 f. 2 8 West 40th Street
- b. 66 f. 8 8 West 40th Street (Oversize)
- b. 42 f. 3-40 Exhibits
- b. 42 f. 41 Flag
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- b. 43 f. 1 Aguilar
- b. 67 f. 2 Aguilar
- b. 43 f. 2 Bloomingdale
- b. 43 f. 3 Bond Street

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- b. 67 f. 3 Chatham Square
- b. 43 f. 5 George Bruce
- b. 43 f. 6 Harlem
- b. 67 f. 4 Harlem
- b. 43 f. 7 Jackson Square
- b. 43 f. 8-9 Muhlenberg
- b. 67 f. 5 Muhlenberg
- b. 43 f. 10 Ottendorfer
- b. 43 f. 11 34th Street
- b. 43 f. 12 Riverside
- b. 43 f. 13 Washington Heights
- b. 43 f. 14 Yorkville
- b. 43 f. 15 Webster
- b. 43 f. 16 Miscellaneous
- b. 44 f. 1-16 Fundraising
- b. 44 f. 17 General Administrative Officers
- b. 75-76 Hine, Lewis. Photographs of New York Public Library branches. (Copy prints and film negatives made from original lantern slides (see Series II, described below) and from the Child Welfare Exhibit Scrapbook (see Series IV, Volume 9, described below).)
- b. 44 f. 18 Human Resources Department
  - Individuals
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    - b. 46 B - F
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  - b. 66 f. 9 Trowbridge, Helen R. (Oversize)
  - b. 66 f. 10 World War I veterans (Oversize)
  - b. 51 Negatives, A - E
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- b. 54 f. 1-2 Lenox Library
- b. 67 f. 6-7 Lenox Library
- b. 54 f. 3 Library School
- b. 54 f. 4-6 Lincoln Center - buildings
- b. 55 f. 1-10 Literary Lions 1981 - 1990
- b. 66 f. 11 Literary Lions 1982 (Oversize)
- b. 55 f. 11-17 Lobbying 1983 - 1988
- b. 56 f. 1 Maintenance staff
- b. 56 f. 2-9 Minerva Awards 1984 - 1992

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)

- b. 56 f. 10-14 National Library Week 1958 - 1960, n.d.
- b. 56 f. 15 Printing Office
- b. 56 f. 16 Public Education Program
- Research Libraries
- b. 56 f. 17 Acquisitions
- b. 68 f. 1 Acquisitions (Oversize)
- b. 56 f. 18 American History Division
- b. 56 f. 19 Arents Collection
- b. 56 f. 20 Art and Architecture Division, Room 313
- b. 56 f. 21 Berg Collection
- b. 66 f. 12 Berg Collection (Oversize)
- b. 68 f. 2 Berg Collection (Oversize)
- b. 56 f. 22 Bindery
- b. 56 f. 23 Cataloging
- b. 56 f. 24-25 Collections
- b. 56 f. 26 Conservation
- b. 56 f. 27 Dance Collection
- b. 56 f. 28 Director
- b. 56 f. 29-31 Economics Division
- b. 56 f. 32 Inquiry Desk
- b. 68 f. 3 Inquiry Desk (Oversize)
- b. 56 f. 33 Jewish Division
- b. 57 f. 1 Local History Division, Room 315S
- b. 57 f. 2-3 Main Reading Room
- b. 68 f. 4 Main Reading Room (Oversize)
- b. 57 f. 4-6 Manuscript Division
- b. 57 f. 7 Map Division
- b. 68 f. 5 Map Division (Oversize)
- b. 57 f. 8 Microfilm Lab
- b. 57 f. 9-11 Music Division
- b. 57 f. 12 New York Academy of Medicine
- b. 57 f. 13 New York Public Library Archives
- b. 57 f. 14 Newspaper Division
- b. 68 f. 6 Newspaper Division (Oversize)
- b. 57 f. 15 Oriental Division
- b. 57 f. 16 Patents
- b. 68 f. 7 Performing Arts Library (Oversize)
- b. 57 f. 17 Periodicals Division
- b. 57 f. 18 Photostat Desk
- b. 57 f. 19 Photographic Services
- b. 68 f. 8 Photographic Services (Oversize)

Series I. Photoprints and Negatives (cont.)  
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- b. 57 f. 20-21 Preparation Services
  - b. 58 f. 1 Preservation
- b. 58 f. 2-4 Print Collection
  - b. 58 f. 5 Print Room
  - b. 58 f. 6 Public Catalog and Information Room
  - b. 68 f. 9 Public catalog and Information Room (Oversize)
  - b. 58 f. 7 Rare Book Division
  - b. 58 f. 8 Rodgers and Hammerstein Archives of Recorded Sound
- b. 58 f. 9-12 Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture
- b. 59 f. 1-2 Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture
- b. 59 f. 3-4 Science and Technology Division
  - b. 59 f. 5 Science, Industry and Business Library (SIBL)
  - b. 59 f. 6 Slavic Division
  - b. 59 f. 7 Spencer Collection
  - b. 59 f. 8 Stack Maintenance and Delivery
- b. 68 f. 10 Stack Maintenance and Delivery (Oversize)
  - b. 59 f. 9 Stacks
- b. 59 f. 10 Theater Division
- b. 59 f. 11 Typing Room
- b. 59 f. 12 Technology Division
- b. 68 f. 11 Technology Division (Oversize)
  - b. 60 f. 1 Staff
  - b. 60 f. 2 Staff meetings
  - b. 68 f. 12 Staff meetings (Oversize)
  - b. 60 f. 3 Staff organizations
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  - b. 60 f. 4 Switchboard operators
  - b. 60 f. 5 Tilden Library proposal
  - b. 60 f. 6 United Fund Campaign
  - b. 60 f. 7 United Way Campaign
  - b. 68 f. 14 United Way Campaign (Oversize)
- b. 61 f. 1-3 World War I activities
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- b. 68 f. 15 Unidentified (Oversize)

Series II. Transparencies

This series is arranged in two subseries: A. 35mm Film; B. Lantern Slides. Both subseries contain images of NYPL buildings, programs and staff. Images in Subseries A are primarily from the 1950s-1990s; a small number of them are duplicates of images from earlier years that were made from original prints contained in Series I. Subseries B includes several hundred images dating from the late 1800s through the early 1920s. Among these are many original photographs made by Lewis Hine. Original lantern slides are not open to research, and are not described in this Container List. However, digital duplicates of all lantern slides have been made and will soon be available through The New York Public Library Digital Library Collection. In addition, copy photoprints of many of the Hine images are available in Series I, Boxes 75-76.

Series II. Transparencies (cont.)

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- b. 79 f. 2 Central Building
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- b. 79 f. 5 Lenox Library
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- b. 79 f. 7 New York Free Circulating Library
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- b. 80 f. 2 Staff
- b. 80 f. 3 Tilden Library - drawing of proposed building

B. Lantern Slides

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Series III. Other Graphic Formats

Series includes drawings, cartoons, press clippings and postcards depicting New York Public Library buildings, staff and programs.

- b. 69 f. 1 Astor Library
- b. 73 f. 1 Astor Library (Oversize)
  - Branch Libraries
- b. 69 f. 2 Aguilar
- b. 69 f. 3 Bloomingdale
- b. 69 f. 4-5 Central Children's Room
- b. 69 f. 6 Central Circulation
- b. 69 f. 7 Chatham Square
- b. 69 f. 8 Epiphany
- b. 69 f. 9 58th Street
- b. 69 f. 10 Fort Washington
- b. 69 f. 11 Francis Martin
- b. 69 f. 12 General Library for the Performing Arts
- b. 69 f. 13 George Bruce
- b. 69 f. 14 Hamilton Fish
- b. 69 f. 15 Hamilton Grange
- b. 69 f. 16 Harlem
- b. 69 f. 17 Hudson Park
- b. 69 f. 18 Jefferson Market
- b. 73 f. 2-3 Jefferson Market (Oversize)
- b. 69 f. 19 Kingsbridge

Series III. Other Graphic Formats (cont.)

Branch Libraries (cont.)

- Map case 300-A-12 Kips Bay, watercolor drawing of facade designed by Giorgio Cavaglieri, signed by "Kuhn" (Oversize)
- b. 69 f. 20 Mid-Manhattan
  - b. 69 f. 21 Morrisania
  - b. 69 f. 22 Mott Haven
  - b. 69 f. 23 New Dorp
  - b. 69 f. 24 96th Street
  - b. 69 f. 25 115th Street
  - b. 69 f. 26 125th Street
  - b. 69 f. 27 135th Street
  - b. 69 f. 28 Ottendorfer
  - b. 69 f. 29 Port Richmond
  - b. 69 f. 30 Riverside
  - b. 69 f. 31 Rivington
  - b. 69 f. 32 St. Gabriel's Park
  - b. 69 f. 33 St. George
  - b. 69 f. 34 Seward Park
  - b. 69 f. 35 67th Street
  - b. 69 f. 36 Stapleton
  - b. 69 f. 37 Tottenville
  - b. 69 f. 38 Tompkins Square
  - b. 69 f. 39 Tremont
  - b. 69 f. 40 Wakefield
  - b. 69 f. 41 Washington Heights
  - b. 69 f. 42 Webster
  - b. 69 f. 43 West New Brighton
  - b. 69 f. 44 Unidentified
  - b. 69 f. 45 Carnegie branches cartoon
  - b. 70 f. 1 Celebrations - 100th anniversary
  - b. 70 f. 2 Celebrations - Central Building opening day
  - Central Building
  - b. 70 f. 3 Astor Hall
  - b. 70 f. 4 Billings, John Shaw - sketch
  - b. 70 f. 5 Construction - Carère and Hastings drawing
  - b. 73 f. 4 Construction - Carrère and Hastings proposed elevation drawing (Oversize)
  - Closed to public research
  - b. 70 f. 6 Construction - exterior view drawing
  - b. 70 f. 7 Construction - models
  - b. 70 f. 8-29 Exterior views
  - b. 73 f. 5 Exterior views (Oversize)



Series III. Other Graphic Formats (cont.)  
Central Building (cont.)

- Map case 200-L-10 Exterior view, 5th Avenue ca. 1916 (Oversize)
- b. 74 f. 1 Exterior view - Fifth Avenue and 42nd Street (Graphite sketch, possibly by Deoch Fulton; halftone print, colored. Oversize.)
- b. 71 f. 1 First floor stairway
- b. 71 f. 2 Floor plans
- b. 73 f. 6 Interior views (Oversize)
- b. 71 f. 3-10 Lions
- b. 73 f. 7 Lions (Oversize)
- b. 73 f. 8-10 Lions - cartoons (Oversize)
- b. 71 f. 11 Murals
- b. 71 f. 12 Paintings - Gilbert Stuart's George Washington portraits
- b. 71 f. 13 Parades - World War I
- b. 74 f. 2 Third floor hallway
- b. 71 f. 14 Trustees Room
- b. 71 f. 15 Children's Service story telling
- b. 71 f. 16 Consolidation cartoon
- b. 71 f. 17 Extension Division - Staten Island Bookmobile
- Free Circulating Libraries
- b. 72 f. 1 Aguilar Free Library
- b. 72 f. 2 Bloomingdale
- b. 72 f. 3 Bond Street
- b. 72 f. 4 Ottendorfer
- b. 72 f. 5 Washington Heights
- b. 72 f. 6 Fundraising cartoon 1923
- b. 72 f. 7 Individuals - Plummer, Mary W.
- b. 72 f. 8 Individuals - Wynner, Edith
- Lenox Library
- b. 72 f. 9 Entrance Hall
- b. 72 f. 10-11 Exterior
- b. 73 f. 11-12 Exterior and interior (Oversize)
- b. 72 f. 12 Reading room
- b. 72 f. 13 Statuary hall
- b. 72 f. 14 Literary Lions 1983
- Research Libraries
- b. 72 f. 15 American History Room
- b. 72 f. 16 Arents Collection
- b. 72 f. 17 Dance Division
- b. 72 f. 18 Local History and Genealogy
- b. 72 f. 19 Main Reading Room
- b. 73 f. 13 Main Reading Room (Oversize)
- b. 72 f. 20 Music Division

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Research Libraries (cont.)

- b. 72 f. 21 Patents Room
- b. 72 f. 22 Performing Arts Library
- b. 72 f. 23 Periodicals Room
- b. 72 f. 24 Photographic Services
- b. 72 f. 25 Public Catalog Room
- b. 72 f. 26 Schomburg Center
- b. 73 f. 14 Science, Industry and Business Library (Oversize)
- b. 72 f. 27 Technology Room
- b. 72 f. 28 Theater Division
- b. 72 f. 29 Miscellaneous
- b. 72 f. 30 Staff - group photograph ca. 1976
- b. 72 f. 31 Staff retirement party 1941
- b. 73 f. 15 Tilden Library - drawing of building never constructed (Oversize)
- b. 72 f. 32 World War I activities
- b. 72 f. 33 World War II activities

Series IV. Albums

Albums in this series contain mounted photoprints of New York Public Library buildings, programs and staff. Many images are captioned. A highlight of the series is Volume 9, which contains photographs of children's activities in various Branch Libraries taken by Lewis Hine for the Child Welfare Exhibit of 1911.

- v. 1 Staten Island Branches, Extension Division Branches
- v. 2 Ellis Island
- v. 3 Central Building and miscellaneous Branch Libraries
- v. 4 Pictorial Review of Work of Staten Island Office of Extension Division
- v. 5 Pictorial Review of Work of Staten Island Office of Extension Division
- Identical to Volume 4
- v. 6 Branch Libraries and Extension Division
- v. 7 Research Libraries staff 1930 - 1945
- v. 8 Carrère and Hastings - photographs of Central Building during construction
- v. 9 Hine, Lewis. Child Welfare Exhibit Scrapbook ca. 1911

Original album closed to research. Researchers must use full-page copy prints (see next item).

- v. 9 Hine, Lewis. Child Welfare Exhibit Scrapbook ca. 1911 (Full-page copy prints made from original album.)
- v. 10 Davis, Brody and Associates - Central Building before and after 1983 renovation
- v. 11 Davis, Brody and Associates - Central Building after renovation 1986
- v. 12 Staten Island Branch Libraries and Extension Division
- v. 13 Staten Island Branch Libraries
- v. 14 Extension Division - Bookmobile
- v. 15 South Bronx Project
- v. 16 Office of Young Adult Services - Books for the Teen Age

Series IV. Albums (cont.)

- v. 17 Office of Young Adult Services - Books for the Teen Age
- v. 18 Office of Young Adult Services - Books for the Teen Age
- v. 19 Office of Young Adult Services - Books for the Teen Age
- v. 20 High Bridge Branch Library 1920s - 1930s
- v. 21 Frances Lander Spain retirement scrapbook