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Summary Information

Repository:	Moorland-Spingarn Research Center
Creator - pht:	Rowan, Darilyn Regina, 1955-2021
Title:	Darilyn Regina Rowan Photograph Collection
ID:	P156
ID [aspace_uri]:	/repositories/2/resources/525
Date:	1984-1985
Physical Description:	1 Box
Physical Description:	20 Photographic Prints
Language of the Material:	.
Mixed Materials [box]:	P156-1
[folder]:	1-5

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Biographical Information

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Biographical Chronology	
1955	Birth of Darilyn Regina Rowan.
n.d.	Received a Bachelor's in Fine Arts and a Master's degree in Education from Arizona State University

1978-1980	Worked at N.A.S.A. Space Photography Lab printing photographs of the Viking and Voyager flights.
1983	Exhibited a photograph in the Photographer's Forum's The Best of Photography Annual.
1984	Worked at Glendale Community College as a photographer and instructor. Worked as a Tutor at the Social Service Agency in Phoenix, Arizona.
September 1989	First hired at the El Camino College located in Alondra Park, California as a professor in the photography department.
1992	Organized the first annual student photography exhibition here at El Camino College.
2011	Selected as a finalist for the Photographer's Forum Best of Photography Competition for her photograph entitled, "A Memento Mori."
2012	Honored for Outstanding Contributions to Art Education receiving the "Make a Difference Award" from the Torrance Performing Arts Consortium.
October 19, 2021	Darilyn Regina Rowan passed away at the age of 66 due to unknown causes.

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Additional Biographical Information

Professor Darilyn Regina Rowan's works can be found in museum and archival collections at the following insututions: Harvard University; La Bibliotheque Nationale de France; New York

Public Library; and the Children's Holocaust Museum in Japan; African American Museum in Dallas, Texas.

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Scope and Contents

The Darilyn Regina Rowan Photograph Collection consists of five series totaling 20 photographic prints. The collection comprises portraits of children and residents of the 1984-1985 Sidney P. Osborn housing project in Phoenix, Arizona. The primary subjects of Ms. Rowan's photographs are siblings Ervin and Tokeyo. Ms. Rowan's objective was to capture individuals naturally within their environment, allowing their faces to convey their stories.

Series A: Photographic prints of Ervin.

Series B: Photographic prints of Tokeyo, Ervin's sister, who is the primary subject of the donated photographs.

Series C: Group portraits of children, primarily captured during their daily routines within the housing project.

Series D: Individual portraits of an unidentified elderly female of Native American heritage.

Series E: Two newspaper clippings related to the exhibition of this project at the Arizona State Capitol.

The collection was generously donated to the Center in January and February 2003 by Darilyn Regina Rowan. Following the completion of the acquisition process, the collection was transferred from the Manuscript Division to the Prints and Photographs Department.

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Conditions Governing Access

The collection is open for research use.

Processing Information

The collection was processed by Jackie Martin, Prints and Photographs Librarian, in June 2024.

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Controlled Access Headings

- black-and-white photographs
- Black family
- African American children
- Public Housing
- Arizona State Capitol (Phoenix, Ariz.)
- Arizona (inhabited place)
- Phoenix (inhabited place)
- Sidney P. Osborn Public Housing Project

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Collection Inventory

Series A: Portraits of Ervin, 1984

Title/Description	Instances
Portrait of Ervin - Looking Past the Camera (2), 1984 <u>Physical Description</u> : 2 Photographic Prints	box P156-1 folder 1

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Series B: Portraits of Tokeyo, 1984

Title/Description	Instances
Portraits of Tokeyo - Holding a Bouquet of Flowers Outdoors (4)	box P156-1 Folder 2

Physical Description: 4 Photographic Prints

Portrait of Tokeyo - Reading a Book on a Play Swing	box P156-1	Folder 2
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Physical Description: 1 Photographic Prints

Portraits of Tokeyo - Looking at the Camera (Close-Up Shot) (3)	box P156-1	folder 2
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Physical Description: 3 Photographic Prints

Portraits of Tokeyo - Holding a Paper Bag with Flower Babies on the Front (3)	box P156-1	folder 2
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Physical Description: 3 Photographic Prints

Portrait of Tokeyo - Side Profile (Close-Up Shot)	box P156-1	folder 2
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Physical Description: 1 Photographic Prints

Portrait of Tokeyo - Looking at the Camera Wearing a Torn Dress With Dirt on Her Face, 1984	box P156-1	folder 2
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Physical Description: 1 Photographic Prints

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Series C: Children - Group Portraits, 1984

Title/Description	Instances	
Seven Children Playing on a Swing Set <u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Photographic Prints	box P156-1	folder 3
Three Young Children Hanging Out on a Wooden Bridge Over Water; Two Ducks Present on the Foreground by the Water <u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Photographic Prints	box P156-1	folder 3
Young Girl Holding a Sleeping Infant <u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Photographic Prints	box P156-1	folder 3

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Series D: Women - Individual Portraits, 1984

Title/Description	Instances	
Portrait of Older Unidentified Woman Looking at the Camera with Her Hand on Her Cheek <u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Photographic Prints	box P156-1	folder 4
Portrait of an Older Unidentified Woman Looking On	box P156-1	folder 4

Physical Description: 1 Photographic Prints

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Series E: Newspaper Clippings, 1984

Title/Description	Instances	
The Arizona Republic Article: Art Notes, 1984-09-16 <u>Physical Description</u> : 1 Sheets Photocopy	box P156-1	folder 5
Phoenix Exposure Article: Ervin and Tokeyo; Darilyn Rowan <u>Physical Description</u> : 2 Sheets Newspaper article laminated to colored paper.	box P156-1	folder 5

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