



# Newport Historical Society

## Guide to the Wilfred Warren Photographic Collection, 1870 – 1983

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### Descriptive Summary

<i>Collection Identifier</i>	MS.112
<i>Title</i>	Wilfred Warren Photographic Collection
<i>Creator</i>	Warren, Wilfred E.
<i>Date</i>	1870 – 1983
<i>Extent</i>	Four archival boxes. Includes 2,216 photographs, 408 prints (some duplicates), 22 plates from books, 284 postcards, 114 lantern slides, 14 glass plate negatives, manuscript materials.

## Historical Note

The Wilfred Warren collection was originally donated to the Seamen's Church Institute in October of 1991, following the death of Mr. Warren. The collection is intended to appropriately depict life on and of the sea.

## Scope and Content

The Wilfred Warren collection comprises some 2,216 photographs, 408 prints (duplicates), 22 plates from books depicting sailing ships, 284 postcards (with some duplicates), 114 lantern slides depicting historical sites in Virginia, 14 glass plate negatives, and manuscript materials. These materials are dispersed through 10 binders and smaller boxes.

The prints have been arranged and coded by subject matter; each print is numbered and coded to reflect the area it portrays. In some instances, names or compass directions have been added for clarity.

Albums cover the Torpedo station, local street views, waterfront views, and scenes from America's Cup races in the 1930s.

## Organization

The Wilfred Warren Photographic Collection is organized into four series:

Series 1. Photograph Albums (MS.112.001) series

Series 2. Glass Plate Negatives (MS.112.002) series

Series 3. Postcards (MS.112.003) series

Series 4. Archival Materials (MS.112.004) series

## Subject Access

*People*

Warren, Wilfred E.

## Access and Use

<i>Physical Access</i>	This collection is housed on site at the Newport Historical Society. Researchers can be seen by appointment during operating hours.
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## Administrative Information

<i>Descriptive Rules</i>	Finding aid based on <i>Describing Archives: A Content Standard</i> (DACS)
<i>Processing Note</i>	These materials have been left in the state received. Ideally, binders would be rehoused in folders and more thoroughly catalogued (staff and resources permitting)- KB Nov 2020.
<i>Accession Info</i>	Gift of the Seamen's Church Institute

## Inventory

### Series 01: Photograph Albums, 1880 – 1960

10 binders of historical photographs and copy prints, including one index binder. Each binder, or volume, is broadly arranged by subject matter, including the Point, the Hill, Washington Square, Thames Street, the Harbor, Jamestown, steamers, air ships, America's Cup, and more.

### Series 02: Glass Plate Negatives, circa 1930

Thirteen 7x5 glass plate negatives, and one 4x3. Scenes depicted include the Cliff Walk, US J2 Yankee yacht, and first beach.

### Series 03: Postcards, 1930 – 1960

Extensive postcard collection including scenes of Jamestown (ferry, hotels, churches, lighthouses windmills), Newport (Touro Synagogue, Newport harbor, yachts, post office, customs house, the Naval Training Station), Block Island, Nantucket, New Bedford, Tiverton and Portsmouth.