C. Milo Williams Photographs

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Unidentified relatives of C. Milo Williams in front of unidentified Carrollton residence in snow. Ca.1900.
C. Milo Williams, photographer.

**SCOPE and CONTENTS**

Photographic prints and negatives
Ca. 1890s – 1910; ca. 1970
11 boxes; 2 albums

Photographic negatives made by New Orleans, Louisiana architect and amateur photographer C. Milo Williams (1867-1954). Negatives are on glass plates, mostly 8” x 10”. Prints were made of
many of the negatives by Tulane in the early 1970s and are included in the collection. Photographs are of members of Williams’ family, landscape views of New Orleans and other areas in Louisiana, and, South America, and architecture in New Orleans and elsewhere. Most photographs are unidentified. Williams, in partnership with his brother, William C. Williams, was a prolific New Orleans architect, focusing on residential work. Together, and separately, the Williams brothers designed late 19th century and turn of 20th century New Orleans residences, many in the Carrollton area of the city.

PROVENANCE

Photographic negatives were purchased, along with architectural drawings of the Williams brothers, by Samuel Wilson, Jr. at a sale of the contents of the Williams family home at 1035 South Carrollton Avenue, New Orleans, in the mid-1960s. Wilson gave the negatives to Tulane ca. 1968. He later gave the architectural drawings to Tulane ca. 1973 (SEAA Collection 37).

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INVENTORY

Photographs.

Box 1 of 1. Upright box on top of photograph file cabinets. Reprints made from glass plate negatives. Some reprints made March 23, 1939 for a New Orleans Item newspaper article; most were made in 1971 by Betsy Swanson. Numbers for prints are from the original inventory by Swanson.

Folder 1. C. Milo Williams Photograph Inventory. Detailed inventory of reprints made by Betsy Swanson; detailed inventory of glass negatives loaned to K. Knobloch for the New Orleans Item.

Folder 2. South Carrollton Avenue, 1035, New Orleans, LA. Oaklawn residence. C. Milo Williams designed this residence for his father, William H. Williams and his family. The house later became C. Milo’s home.

4.1. Oaklawn, with C. Milo Williams’ sons Lavinius and Milo in front, ca.1904.
4.2. Oaklawn, view of front porch and lawn.
4.3. Oaklawn, 1035 South Carrollton Avenue.
4.31. Oaklawn, 1035 South Carrollton Avenue in the snow.
4.31a. Oaklawn, 1035 South Carrollton Avenue.
4.4. Oaklawn, extended family in parlor enjoying music played by Espy Williams and May Pollard Williams (brother and sister of C. Milo).
4.5. Oaklawn, some of family in parlor, enjoying music of C. Milo and brother William C. Williams, their mother is knitting.
4.6. Oaklawn, front parlor, looking from library.
4.7. Oaklawn, entrance hall and staircase.
4.8. Oaklawn, a bed chamber.
4.9. Oaklawn, dressing table, screen, probably in a bed chamber.
4.10. Oaklawn, family group on lawn, including cat and dog.
4.11. Oaklawn, brother and sister William C. and May Williams with dog and cat.
4.11a. Oaklawn stable building.

Folder 3. Magazine and Fourth Streets, New Orleans, LA. Dawson A. Blanchard residence

4.12. Dawson A. Blanchard house, parlor, with Blanche V. Blanchard and her parents, Dawson A. and Harriet Ann Talley Blanchard; includes paintings by Blanche and a piano.
4.16. Dawson A. Blanchard house, parlor, with piano, corner fireplace.

Folder 4. South Carrollton Avenue, 921 & 1626, New Orleans, LA. Espy Williams residences.

4.18. Espy Williams house (921), view from one parlor into the other.
4.20. Espy Williams house (1626), hall and staircase.
4.21. Espy Williams house (1626), view into dining room and glimpse of staircase.

Folder 5. Scenes around Carrollton, New Orleans, LA.

4.22. Ice on Mississippi River at Carrollton, February 18, 1899, with Blanche and others.
4.23. Snowfall on Carrollton Avenue, February 15, 1895.
4.26-.28. Carrollton Railroad depot (St. Charles Avenue at Dublin Street), and beyond that the Carrollton Hotel, with mule-drawn street car inside the depot designed by James Gallier, Jr. and John Turpin, architects (1852). Photograph before 1891, when the structures were demolished to accommodate a new levee.
4.30. Carrollton’s first business district and levee. Photograph before 1891, when the structures were demolished and a new levee was constructed.

Folder 6. Carrollton Courthouse/McDonogh School Number 23, New Orleans, LA.
Columbus Day program, 1892. Building by Henry Howard, architect. 1854-1855.

4.33-.35. McDonogh School No. 23, Columbus Day, 1892.

Folder 7. Scenes around Carrollton, New Orleans, LA. Mississippi River flooding.

4.38. View of Carrollton, with electric street cars. Circa 1891.
4.38a. Claiborne Station. Passengers waiting to board train.
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4.53b. George K. Smith house, 7931 Plum Street, Carrollton, photograph of watercolor sketch by C. Milo Williams. Architect C. Milo Williams.

4.54. Mrs. Collins house, 8015 Plum Street, Carrollton. Circa 1905. Front porch view with Mrs. C. Milo (Blanche Blanchard) Williams in black, sons Lavinius (on steps) and Milo, Jr. (on right).

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4.56a. Sugar cane cutters in field, Laplace, St. John the Baptist Parish.

4.56b. Plantation quarters at Laplace, St. John the Baptist Parish (?)

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4.58. Four people in front of ruins of De la Ronde plantation house, Chalmette, St. Bernard Parish, before 1915.


4.63. After Grub, fishing excursion on Bayou Boeuf.

4.64. On the Bayou, Fishing excursion on Bayou Boeuf.


4.64-.65. Construction of the Hennen Building, 800 Common Street. Circa 1893.

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4.72-.73. William H. Bofinger rail switch. Circa 1891.

4.74. New Orleans Brewing Association, Jackson Avenue at the Mississippi River.

4.75. Bird’s Eye View of New Orleans Brewing Association, Illinois Central Railroad Tracks, Tchouiptoulas Street, from approximately Eighth Street (view from top of Illinois Central elevator).

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4.81. Cotton press operations along railroad tracks, Fourth District.

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7.9-.13. Unidentified stone church.

**Folder 12. South American Scenes.**
Possibly, views of Colombia and Venezuela. 32 prints.

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**Folder 14. Photographic Prints of Buildings Outside Louisiana.**
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*Note: C. Milo Williams’ wood/glass print developer on top of glass plate negative boxes.

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Volume 2.

Unidentified residential buildings, interiors, people.