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Lloyd Library Awarded Preservation Grant

The State Library of Ohio has awarded the Lloyd Library and Museum a Library Services and Technology grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services for the preservation of six rare photo albums. Created by Lloyd Library co-founder Curtis Gates Lloyd, the selected albums depict views from the turn of the twentieth century both locally and globally Due to their physical conditions, these albums were difficult to use for scholarly research and for display. With the assistance of this grant, images with unique perspectives of a world that no longer exists will be accessible to a wide audience for the first time.

Five of the albums selected for conservation capture Curtis Gates Lloyd's travels across the world during the late 1880s through the early 1900s. These albums depict unique views of local flora, document daily life, and contain staged portraits of local life during Lloyd's trips to Samoa, Italy and Egypt, and Caribbean islands - predominantly Jamaica. A sixth album focuses on Cincinnati and Northern Kentucky depicting people, including children and family photos, Ohio River life, streetscapes, and the Cincinnati Zoo.

The Lloyd Library will engage Signature Conservation of Indianapolis to carry out the conservation work, which will be completed by September 2022 in time for the albums' display as part of the Lloyd's upcoming exhibit, *Visions of Nature across Time and Place*.

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