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# Guide to the Mildred Mead Photographs 1948-1962



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## **Descriptive Summary**

<b>Identifier</b>	ICU.SPCL.PHOTOMEAD
<b>Title</b>	Mead, Mildred. Photographs
<b>Date</b>	1948-1962
<b>Size</b>	2.5 linear ft. (4 boxes)
<b>Repository</b>	Special Collections Research Center University of Chicago Library 1100 East 57th Street Chicago, Illinois 60637 U.S.A.
<b>Abstract</b>	The collection contains 300-400 8x10 photographs and slides by the freelance photographer Mildred Mead. Between 1947 and 1962, Mead documented architecture and living conditions in Chicago, particularly on the south side.

## **Information on Use**

### **Access**

No restrictions

### **Citation**

When quoting material from this collection, the preferred citation is: Mead, Mildred. Photographs, [Box #, Folder #], Special Collections Research Center, University of Chicago Library

### **Biographical Note**

Mildred Mead, born in 1910, worked as a professional photographer (both freelance and by contract). Mead recorded activities associated with the South East Chicago Commission, The Hyde Park Kenwood Community Conference, Michael Reese Hospital, the University of Chicago Planning Unit, the Fort Dearborn Project (for Marshall Field), the study of Maxwell Street Market sponsored by agencies when the South Freeway was projected to go through the Market, city parks, the lakefront, the Hyde Park 57th St. Fair, the Robie House, and public housing and urban redevelopment projects of the Land Clearance commission and the Metropolitan Housing and Planning Council.

### **Scope Note**

The collection contains 300-400 8x10 photographs and slides, organized by Mildred Mead.

## Related Resources

The following related resources are located in the Department of Special Collections:

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The Hyde Park Kenwood Community Conference

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