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Digital Camera Usage in the Reading Room

This policy is designed to assist readers with their research by permitting limited use of digital still cameras. Physical condition, copyright issues, donor restrictions, curatorial decisions and other factors may limit or prohibit photography. Photographs are for personal study purposes only and cannot be reproduced; transferred to any other individual, institution, or collection; exhibited; performed; broadcast; published; posted on the Internet; or used commercially without the express written permission of the rights holder(s) and the Center for Curatorial Studies Library & Archives.

Use of digital cameras is subject to the following conditions:

1. Those wishing to use digital cameras in the reading room must first fill out and sign an application form that will indicate that all images are provided under fair use provisions for personal study and may not be published without permission from the rights holder(s) and the Center for Curatorial Studies Library & Archives. All applications require the approval and signature of the appropriate curator.
2. It is the responsibility of each reader to keep complete and accurate citations for all items photographed. Requests for permission to quote or subsequent orders for high-resolution photographic images cannot be processed without this information.
3. The Department will provide each researcher a copy of the signed form and an information card about requesting permission to use the images captured. We will also provide information about copyright and how to determine what is in the public domain.
4. Cameras may not be brought into the reading room until necessary approvals have been obtained. Only cameras (not cases) may be brought into the reading room. Researchers need to allow sufficient time for curatorial approval and photography.
5. All photography will be conducted using ambient lighting. No tripods, flash, or copy stands may be used. Audible features on the camera must be turned off. Scanners are prohibited.
6. Materials must be handled properly and with great care. Bound volumes must be supported by a book cradle, unless otherwise instructed. No pressure beyond book weights, snakes, or other items provided by the Department may be applied to the bindings, text block, or any other material.

Loose manuscript material must remain in its folder and kept in order at all times. Documents must be kept flat on the table. Fastened items may require special handling; please contact staff before proceeding. Photographs and documents may not be removed from plastic sleeves.

7. No pictures may be taken of the room, readers, or staff.

8. Photographs will be taken at the reader's desk. Patrons may not stand on chairs or desks or rearrange furniture to obtain a better image.

9. The CCS Library & Archives reserves the right to obtain a digital copy of any images obtained by the researcher under this policy.

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I have read and understand the policies outlined above and by my signature below, agree to abide by them.

Signature

Date