

Moving Image Collections

Northeast Historic Film holds 800 moving image collections focusing on Maine, New Hampshire, Vermont, and Massachusetts. The archives specializes in nontheatrical film and is known for extraordinary collections of amateur film and home movies. Another strength is 16mm television news film, with all surviving TV news from Maine (7 collections from 1953-1996) and the WCVB TV Boston Collection, approximately 4 million feet of film, which will be part of an IMLS National Leadership project in 2010-2011. The [Online Collections Guide](#) lists nearly 300 moving image collections.

To review examples, visit these online selections are the University of Maine and Maine Historical Society: [Windows on Maine](#) offers 42 streaming and downloadable selections from NHF.

Maine Historical Society's [Maine Memory Network](#) offers 22 NHF clips.

These clips represent short excerpts from large collections; two outstanding 16mm resources are the Ernest Stillman Collection and the Archie Stewart Collection.

Collections Guide: Moving Image Collections of Northeast Historic Film is an 82-page catalog available in libraries, consult [WorldCat](#) for copies near you.

About Collections and Research Examples

Moving Image Review is the twice-yearly newsletter of Northeast Historic Film with information on collections and research. All issues from 1988 to 2007 are online and may be downloaded or searched thanks to Internet Archive. <http://www.archive.org/details/movimarevi19882007nortrich>

For examples of work accomplished by scholars and archivists using NHF collections, see the Association of Moving Image Archivists journal *The Moving Image*:

- Janna Jones, *Confronting the Past in the Archival Film and the Contemporary Documentary*. Volume 4, Number 2, Fall 2004, pp. x-21
- Sean Savage, *Unraveling the Madison News Reel: An Unlikely Convergence of Collage, Industrial, and Local Film*. Volume 8, Number 2, Fall 2008, pp. 61-77.

Northeast Historic Film Symposium presentations include

- Mark Neumann, *Home Movies on Freud's Couch*, on 14 seconds from the Archie Stewart Collection, http://oldfilm.org/symp_2001_home_movies
- Andrea McCarty, *Mission: Alpha Centauri: The Making of a Small Town, Sci-Fi Classic*, on a student-made Super 8 film from 1967. http://oldfilm.org/symp_2005_alpha_centauri

Motion Picture Technology

Northeast Historic Film collects moving-image technology such as projectors, cameras, and editing equipment. The Alan & Natalie Kattelle Collection is an extensive collection of cameras, projectors, and other amateur moviemaking equipment.

Periodicals and Ephemera

The library holds a nearly full run of *Amateur Movie Maker*, the monthly magazine of the Amateur Cinema League. The Q. David Bowers Collection includes postcards of cinemas from 50 states.

Further information about Northeast Historic Film's collections can be found at www.oldfilm.org.