Forgotten Florida:

Farm Security Administration Photographs

The purpose of this exhibition is to provide a social and political context for the images taken in Florida by photographers in the Historical Section of the Farm Security Administration, a New Deal agency created in 1935. This extraordinary record of the American experience is perhaps the most famous series of photographs to be made during the Depression.

These 39 photographs, taken from 1937 and 1942, reveal the lives of migrant workers in South and Central Florida, the erosion and misuse of farmland in northern counties, the decline of the fishing, wood pulp and timber industries. The images show the Depression as it affected Florida's diverse population, sharecroppers, transient agricultural workers and African-Americans. They also document the contrast in lifestyles between residents of tourist camps along the coast, the wealthy winter visitors and the middle class, who were an increasingly important part of our state's developmental direction.

The exhibit features work by such notable photographers as Walker Evans, Marion Post Wolcott, Gordon Parks, and Arthur Rothstein.



12 framed posters, each 34'h x 24'w.

Space Required

35 linear feet of wall space.

Shipping Crates (1 crate total)

1 @ 27.5"h X 1 7"w X 35"d. Total Shipping Weight: 200 lbs.

Security Requirements: limited.

Exhibit Rental Fee: \$300 / 3 months

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