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Oregon Historical Society & Newspace Center for Photography Announce Residency & Exhibition Opportunity

Portland, OR – October 6, 2016 – The Oregon Historical Society and [Newspace Center for Photography](#) are partnering to offer a low artist residency and exhibition opportunity in support of one image-based project that critically examines issues pertinent to Oregon, with a focus on collective histories, identity formation, and the politics of place. The project will connect historic imagery with contemporary culture, demonstrating the ways in which collective and personal identities in Oregon have been shaped by photography and other media.

The [OHS Research Library](#) will serve as a primary resource for the project's development, with its five million photographs and vast collection of films, manuscripts, books, and oral histories. The residency will culminate in a seven-week exhibition at Newspace in October & November 2017 as well as a series of public programs around the state.

The selected artist(s) will receive an unrestricted artist fee of \$5,000 plus dedicated funds to travel to Portland for three, 1-week visits to conduct research in the OHS archives (if residing outside of Portland) between January & October 2017.

Eligibility:

- Applicants must reside in Oregon at the time of application and project duration.
- Projects must incorporate *at least in part* materials from the OHS collections.
- The project must be primarily image-based (photography, archival materials, photo-books, etc.).
- Applicants must commit to an exhibition and programming in Fall 2017.
- Project lead must be at least 21 years of age or older.

Learn more and apply at bit.ly/ohsresidency

Deadline: **Monday, November 7, 2016 by 6pm**

This program is generously supported by an Oregon Community Foundation [Creative Heights Grant](#).

About the Oregon Historical Society

For more than a century, the Oregon Historical Society has served as the state's collective memory, preserving a vast collection of artifacts, photographs, maps, manuscript materials, books, films, and oral histories. Our research library, museum, digital platforms & website (www.ohs.org), educational programming, and historical journal make Oregon's history open and accessible to all. We exist because history is powerful, and because a history as deep and rich as Oregon's cannot be contained within a single story or point of view.