# Photo Synthesis: What You Need To Know About Photographs

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Contemporary Analog and Digital Color Photographic Prints: Dye and Pigment Print Process Descriptors, Naming Conventions, Dating, and Permanence Characteristics

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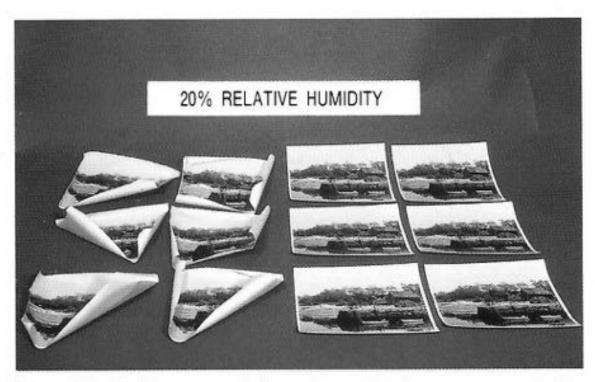


Figure 56 Curl in paper prints made on fiber-base paper and subjected to storage at 20% relative humidity is shown in the photo at the left. The prints at the right are on resin-coated paper and show no sign of curling.

From Conservation of Photographs (Kodak).

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Traditional and Digital Color Prints, Color Negatives, Slides, and Motion Pictures



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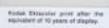


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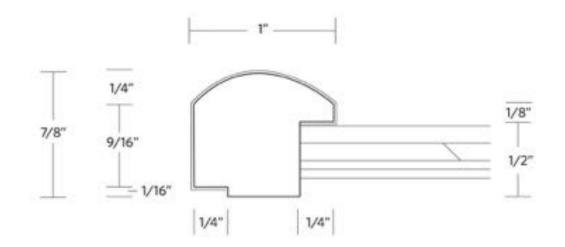






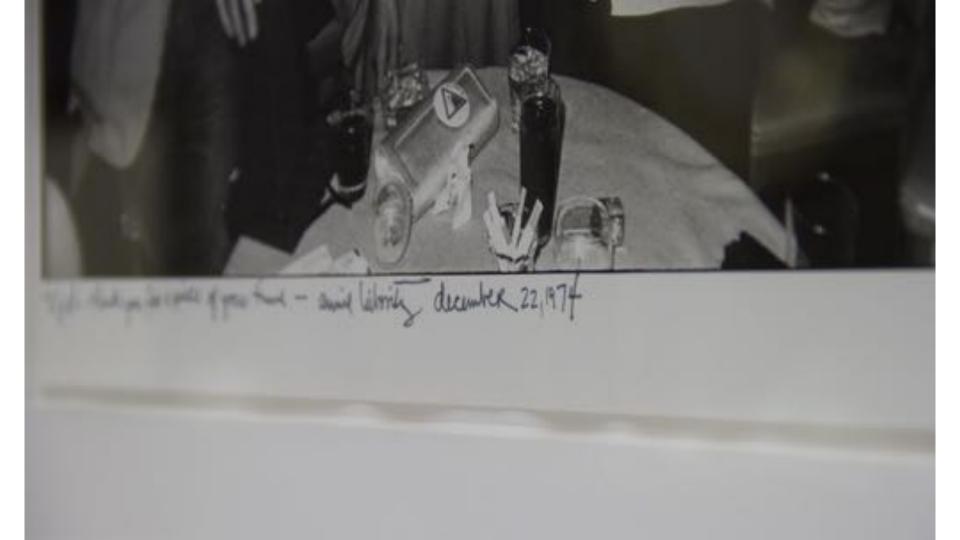
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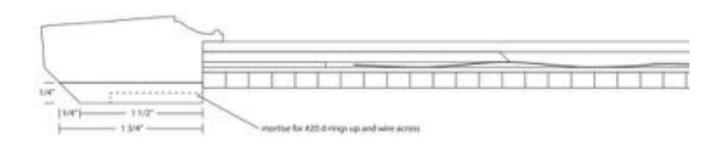








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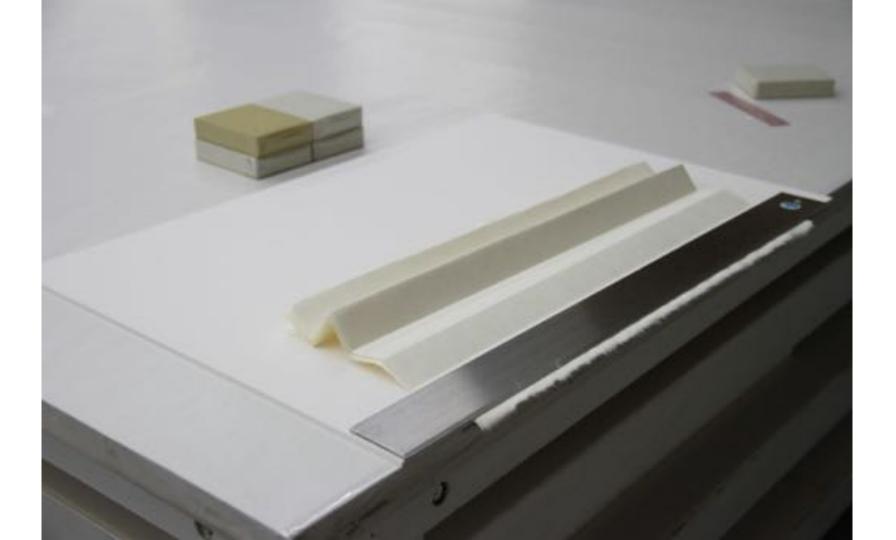
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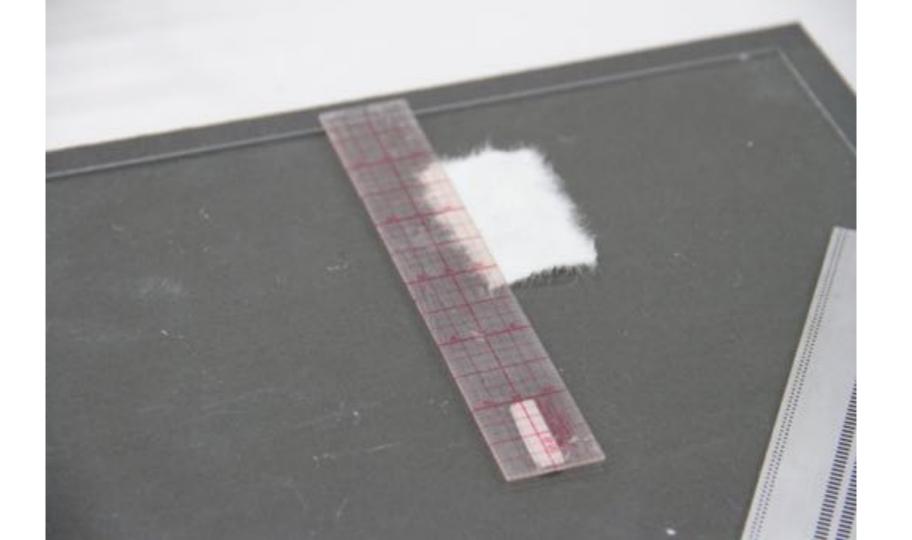












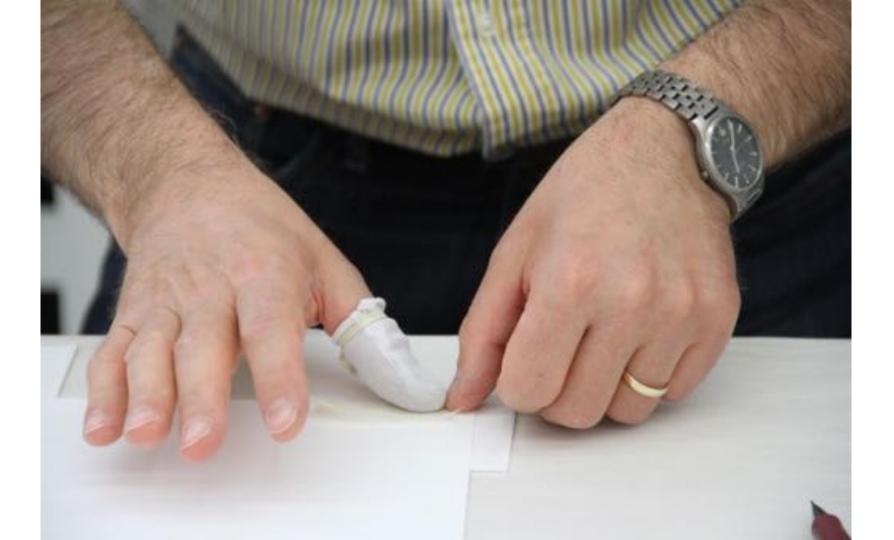








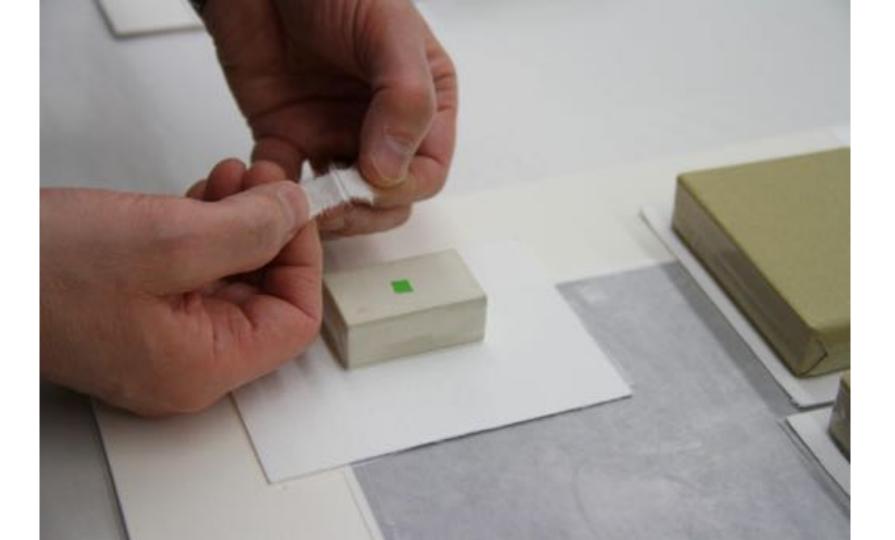


















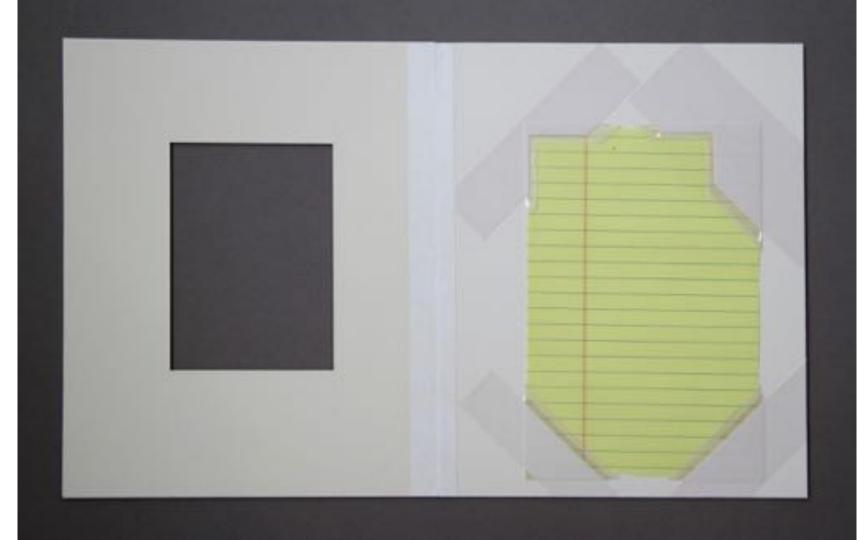
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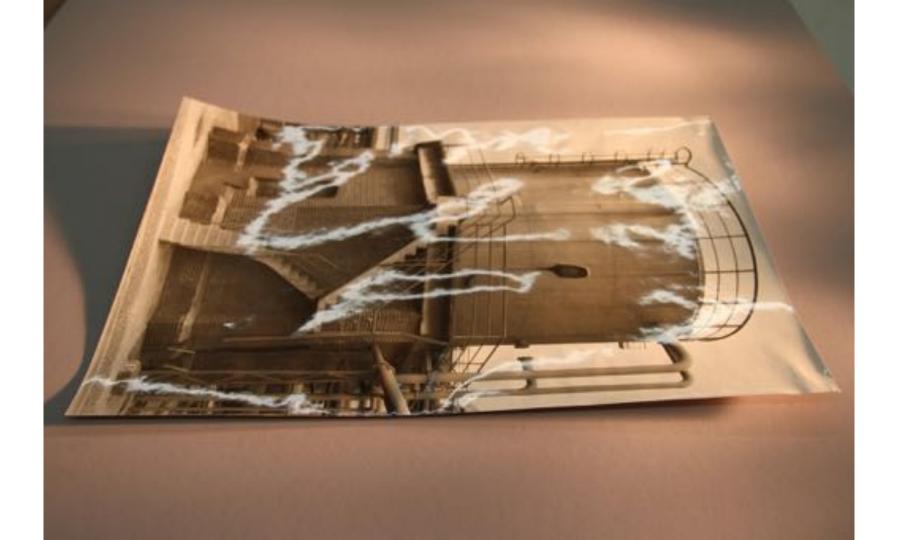


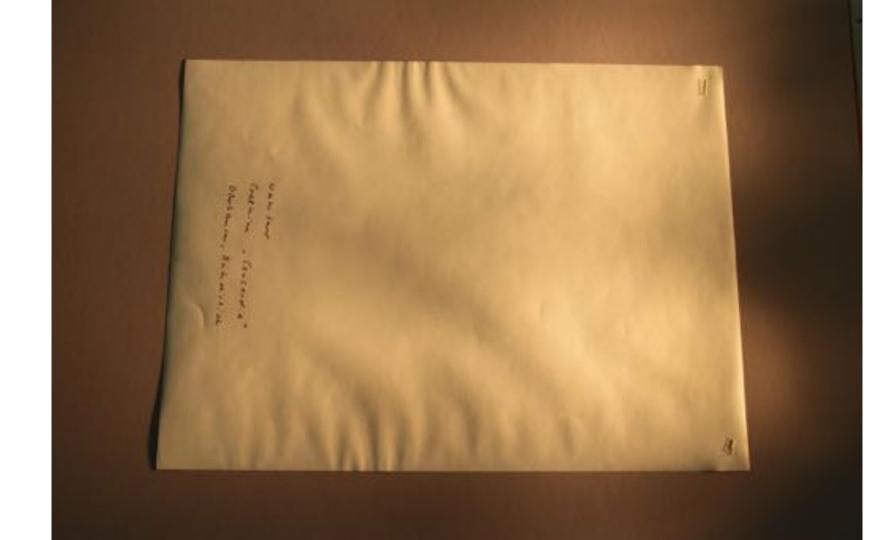
















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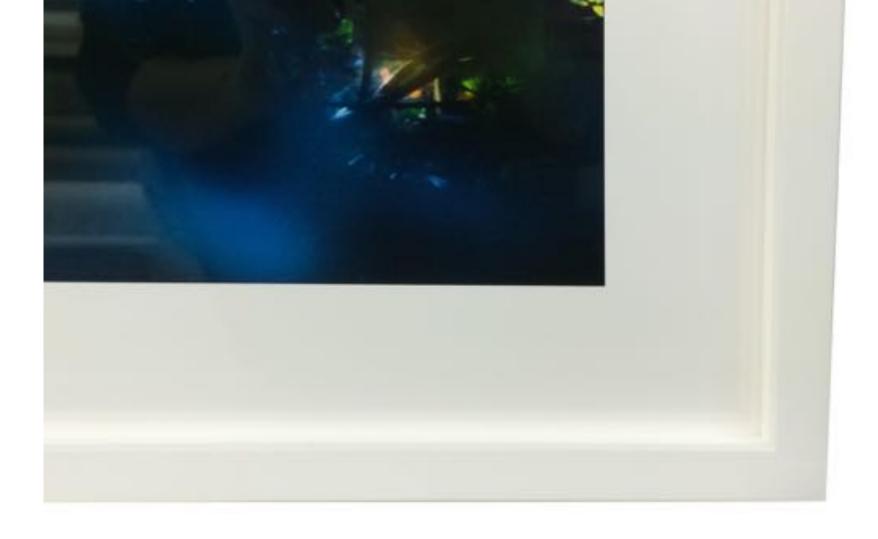
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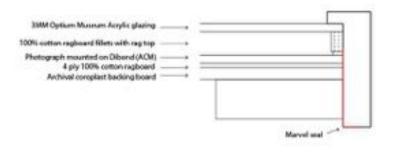


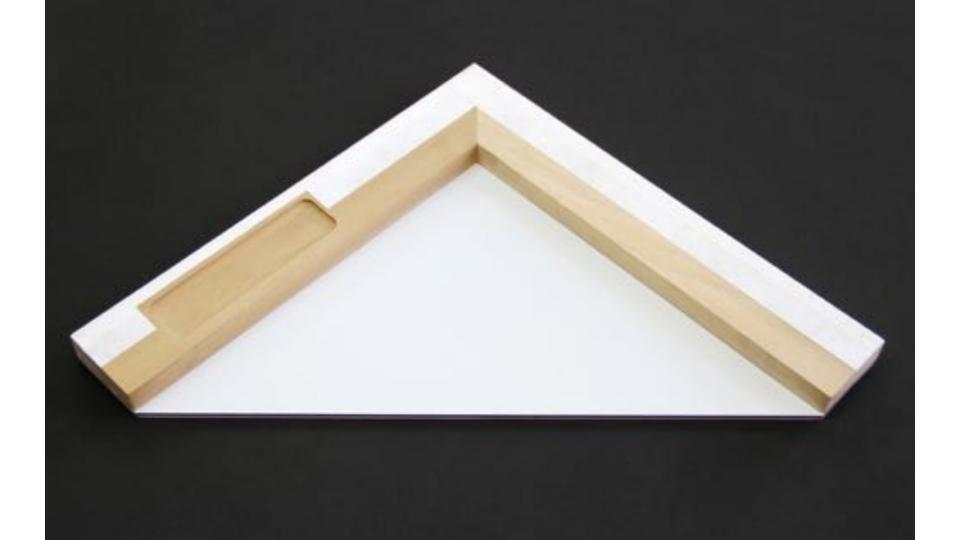
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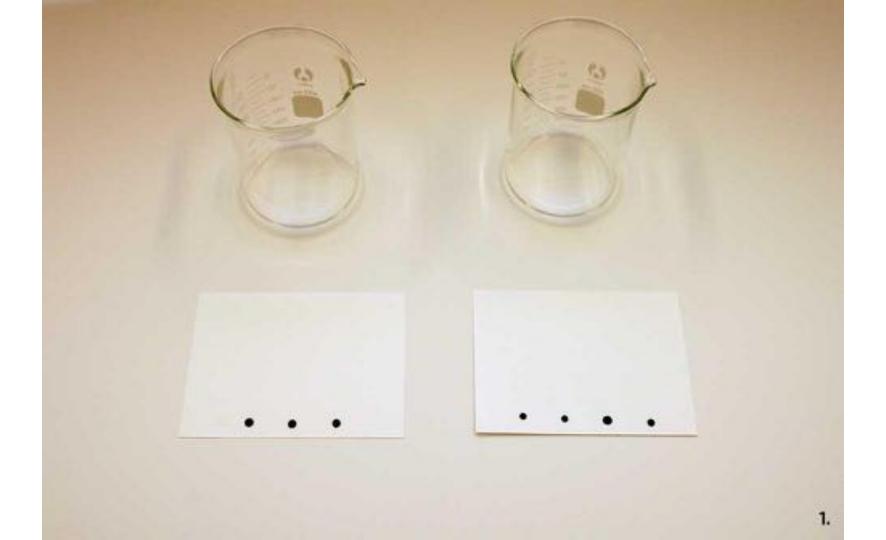




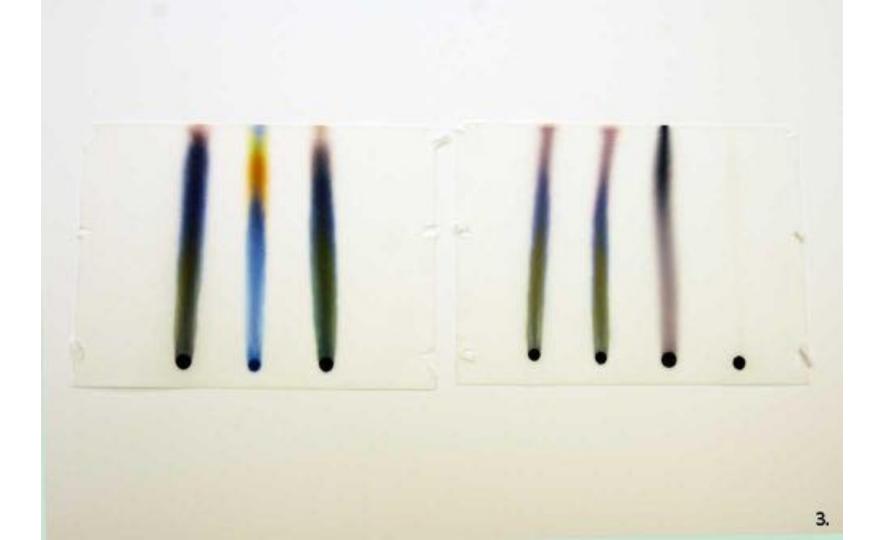






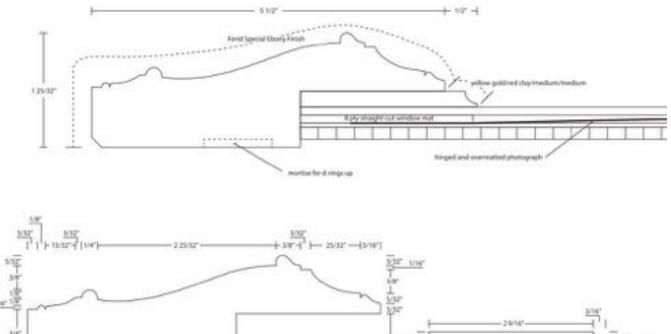








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## IPI Guide to Preservation of Digitally-Printed Photographs



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#### INTRODUCTION

This guide provides basic information on the storage and preservation of digitallyprinted photographs in scholarly and caltural collections. While there are many printing inchrologies for output from computers, this guide focuses on the three most popular forms. of image (i.e. pictorial) hardcopy.

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information on recommended storage conditions, selection of housing and framing materials, proper handling and display are included. Collection care personnel in caltural inditutions are the intended audience for this galde, however, it will also be useful to photographers, setting, and the general public.

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Since 2007, the Istage Permanence Inditate OPE has been evaluating the stability of digitally printed materials and developing techniques for mitigating damage and extending their useful lives. Years of laboratory research have characterized the strengths and particular valuerabilities of the major digital printing. materials and technologies. Results have led to some significant conclusions on the preservation of these objects including:

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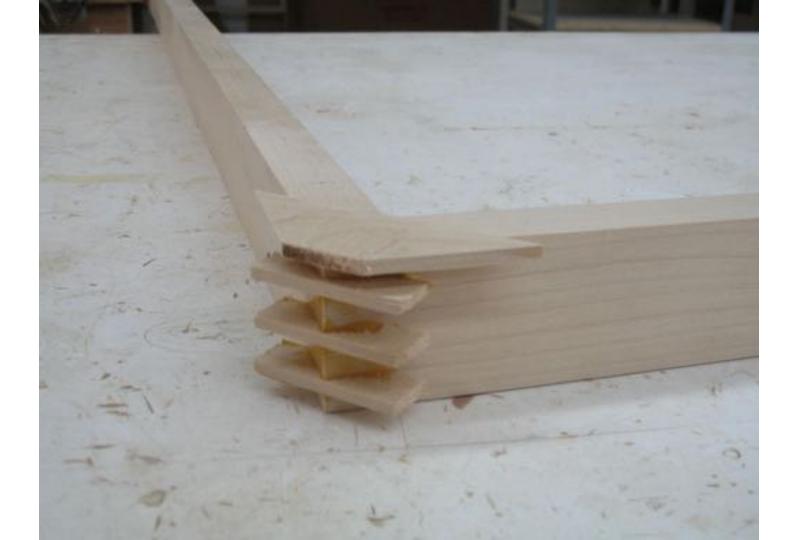
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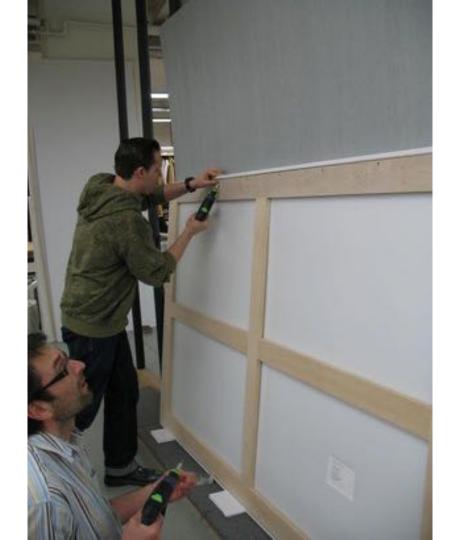






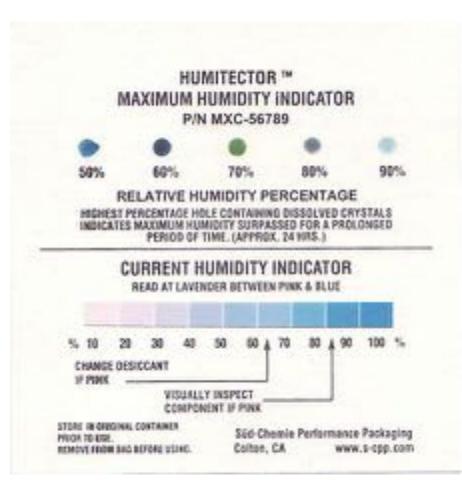


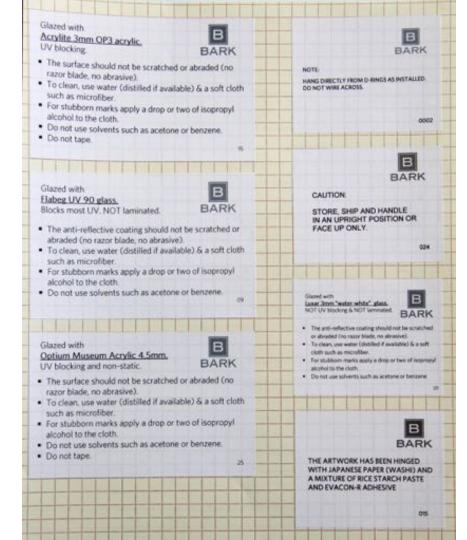






Artist KA Lec D70 Name Jed Bark . (09359 Annue Herbie Hancole Condition of Medium and support: Art medium photograph on paper Deptr Front Back External size: (h) x (w) 515 Image size: (b) x (w) Opening size: (h) x (w) Engage: Notes: 4 Return items: \_\_\_\_\_ loc: \_\_\_\_ Existing frame loc: \_\_\_\_\_ Digital of info... digital taken ...... Production special work: \_\_\_\_ hole, puncture (13) \_\_\_\_ dirt, grime (1) \_\_\_\_ bear (340 Stain, discolaration (2) Matting: \_\_\_\_\_ tape (15) \_\_\_\_abrasient, scantches (3) \_\_\_\_ old hinges (16)\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_ corners, edges damaged (4) Hinging removed by us? \_\_\_\_ finger prints (5) \_\_\_ insect duringe (6) \_\_\_\_ startage cracked (17) Garing ..... \_\_\_ mold, fexing (7) \_\_\_\_ flacking (18) handling croates (19) \_\_\_\_\_ addusive residue (8) Fitting / Backing \_\_\_\_\_ "M-crease, fold, weinkle, dert (9) irregular edges (20) \_\_\_\_ loose medutim (21) \_\_\_\_ cockling, builging, waves (10) Hinging \_\_\_\_\_other (22)\_\_\_\_\_\_ Franked, rolled (12) Location / type: Paper: Attach with: 8 600 Condition notes: \_\_\_\_ Rice starch paste \_\_\_Top\_\_\_\_\_Okawara - Evacon R Nat. Sekisha Sides \_\_ Ilvva \_\_\_\_1/3 down \_\_\_\_\_ White Sekishu \_\_\_\_ Jade \_\_ Corner Pockets \_\_\_ Boltore \_\_\_\_ Kizukishi \_\_ Mix A = Accordion \_\_\_ Pendants \_\_\_\_ Misu Tissue X = Structural \_\_\_ Other Pass through \_\_\_\_ Tergujo Plaques\_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed with art Labeltai \_\_\_\_ Accordions\_\_\_\_\_









## A Consumer Guide to Materials for Preservation Framing and the Display of Photographic Images

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I remaing and displaying your photographs (both traditional and modern digital) is one of the best ways to easy them and share them with your freedo and family, however, it can also place goar them, resulting in finding, vollowing, molectionsets, and other types of decay, and ultimately medicing the lifespan. The goal of this goals is to help you understand why photos on display because damaged and how throughtful frames.

#### ANATOMY OF A FRAME PACKAGE

A frame package is made up of several important parts that contribute to the decountroe, rigid structure that powers is a photograph on display. The individual parts of a good-quality frame package are shown in Fig. 1. More oblocate frame packages can include other components, but this shows the basic setup.

#### The Frame

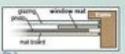
In addition to providing an attractive bonder, the frame functions as the structural support that holds

the entire pookage together. The frame must be strong enough to support the weight of all of the other framing materials and the photo, while hanging on the wall or standing on a shelf.

Fig. 1

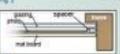
#### The Glazing

The glassing, which can be either glass or plastic (such as anythe or polycarbonase), is the clear sheet over the face of the phote that provides protection from durt and pollation and that also filters out some of the harmful UV energy (see page 3). Glassing can be twated or costed with a variety of information in more filly block dramping UV energy as well as to reduce reflections from its surface, making it easies to view the photo.



#### The Window Mat or Spacer

The window mat can be a decovative element, but in main purpose is to hold the glaring away from the ranface of the photo (see Fig. 2). In scene instances, it may be desimble not to have a window and but to have the edges of the photo go right randot the edge of the frame. In this case, spacers are photoed out of night just mode the edge of the frame between the photo the glaring (Fig. 3).



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