

# Indian Days and Archaeology Digs Photograph Collection

## Collection

### Identifier

ARC.002

### Date

1966 – 1968

### Physical Description

34 photograph slides

### Creator

Adelaide Robertson  
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### Scope & Content

The collection consists of 34 photograph slides and their digitized counterparts from the estate of Adelaide Robertson, a local resident in North Vancouver. Robertson, a settler, had an interest in First Nations, and took photographs of what was then called Indian Days (now known as Indigenous Days) at Ambleside and the original longhouse at Xwemelch'stn (Capilano) in North Vancouver in the 1960s. She also attended and photographed Simon Fraser University archaeology digs. The collection contains images of these archaeology digs at Musqueam and Mayne Island, as well as images of burials and ancestral remains. The photographs also capture important individuals, such as Chief Simon Baker and Chief August Jack Khahtsahlano.

### Provenance

The photographs come from the estate of Adelaide Robertson by way of her relative, Nick Weber, the Archaeology Manager for Ta na wa Yúus ta Stitúyntsam̓ (Rights & Title Department). The photographs were transferred to the Squamish Nation Archives in 2022.

### Language

English

### System Of Arrangement

The archivist has arranged the collection into three series.

### Accruals

No further accruals or additions to the collection expected.

### Access Conditions

Photographs from Series 1 are accessible to the public. Photographs of Musqueam and Mayne Island are restricted until further notice.

### Use And Reproduction Conditions

Please contact the Squamish Nation Archives for commercial use and reproduction permissions for Series 1: Indian Days at Capilano and Ambleside. Photographs in Series 2: Musqueam Dig and Series 3: Mayne Island are restricted until further notice.

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# Collection Contents

## Indian Days and Archaeology Digs Photograph Collection

### Series 1: Indian Days at Capilano and Ambleside

#### Identifier

ARC.002.01

#### Date

1966 – 1967

#### Physical Description

10 photograph slides

#### Creator

Adelaide Robertson

#### Scope & Content

Series consists of photograph slides of Indian Days from 1966 to 1967 taken at Capilano and Ambleside.

#### System Of Arrangement

The archivist has maintained the original order of the photograph slides.

#### Access Conditions

The photographs in this series are accessible to the public.

#### Use And Reproduction Conditions

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Box-Folder	Identifier	Title	Dates	Description
1-04	ARC.002.01.001	Indian Days, Capilano, August 1966	August 1966	Photograph consists of Mrs. Helen Natrall (nee James) and Mr. Andy Natrall at Indian Days at the original longhouse at Xwemelch'stn (Capilano).
1-04	ARC.002.01.002	Indian Days, Capilano, Chief Baker (right), August 1966	August 1966	Photograph of Indian Days at Xwemelch'stn (Capilano), featuring (from right to left): Chief Simon Baker, Chief Mathias, Mary Anne Jack, Dominic Charlie, Andy Natrall, and an unidentified man in a spotted headdress.

1-04	ARC.002.01.003	Indian Days, Capilano, Chief Khatsalano (left), August 1966	August 1966	Photograph of Indian Days at the original longhouse at Xwemelch'stn (Capilano), featuring Tsleil-Waututh relatives (from right to left): Diane Thomas, unidentified man, unidentified girl, Ernie Philips (Shuswap), Liz George, Bobby George (dancing), Amy-Marie George (drumming), Chief Dan George (singing), and August Jack (sitting).
1-04	ARC.002.01.004	Indian Days, Capilano, Chiefs Baker and Khatsalano (left), August 1966	August 1966	Item consists of a photograph of (from left to right) unidentified Shuswap dancer, unidentified chief in a spotted headdress, Ernie Philip, Chief Simon Baker, Maryanne Jack, and August Jack at the original longhouse at Xwemelch'stn (Capilano).
1-04	ARC.002.01.005	Indian Days, Capilano, Ernie Philip, Shuswap, August 1966	August 1966	Photograph of Indian Days at Capilano with Ernie Philip from Shuswap.
1-04	ARC.002.01.006	Indian Days, Capilano, August 1966	August 1966	Photograph of an unidentified child during Indian Days at Capilano. The background features a xweliten (white man) photograph on the right, who would frequent First Nations gatherings dressed in Indigenous regalia.
1-04	ARC.002.01.007	Indian Days, Capilano, August 1966	August 1966	Photograph of unidentified dancing woman during Indian Days at Capilano.
1-04	ARC.002.01.008	Indian Days, Ambleside, 1967	1967	Photograph of unidentified man wearing a paddle jacket, non-Squamish visitors (potentially Lummi or Sechelt), and singers singing a slahal song at Indian Days at Ambleside.
1-04	ARC.002.01.009	Indian Days, Ambleside, 1967	1967	Photograph of unidentified man wearing a paddle jacket, non-Squamish visitors (potentially Lummi or Sechelt) visitors, and singers singing a slahal song at Indian Days at Ambleside. Chief Simon Baker sits in the background in a feather hat.
1-04	ARC.002.01.010	Indian Days, Ambleside, 1967	1967	Photograph of dancers at Indian Days at Ambleside, likely near the duck ponds. The photograph is facing west based on the position of the mountains. Chief Simon Baker is sitting in the background wearing a hair hat. Ellen Mathias is the woman behind the sitting man in the feather hat. She has two flowers on her purse, and is likely Kwakwaka'wakw.

## Series 2: Musqueam Dig

### Identifier

ARC.002.02

### Date

1968

### Physical Description

17 photograph slides

### Creator

Adelaide Robertson

### Scope & Content

Series consists of photographs of an archaeology dig on Musqueam land.

### System Of Arrangement

The archivist has maintained the original order of the photograph slides.

### Access Conditions

The photographs in this series have restricted access permissions. Please use the Contact Page to request permission.

### Use And Reproduction Conditions

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Box-Folder	Identifier	Title	Dates	Description
1-04	ARC.002.02.001	Musqueam Dig, Frog, July 6, 1968	July 6, 1968	Photograph of a frog-shaped rock during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.002	Musqueam Dig, Frog, July 6, 1968	July 6, 1968	Photograph of a frog-shaped rock during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.003	Musqueam Dig, Frog, July 6, 1968	July 6, 1968	Photograph of a frog-shaped rock during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.004	Musqueam Dig, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of archaeologists during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.005	Musqueam Dig, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of tools during Musqueam dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.006	Musqueam Dig, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.007	Musqueam Dig, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.008	Musqueam Dig, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of archaeologists during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.009	Musqueam Dig, Ancestral Burial, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of an ancestral burial during a Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.010	Musqueam Dig, Ancestral Remains, June 1968	June 1968	Photograph of ancestral remains during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.011	Musqueam Dig, Dr. Bordon, June 19, 1968	June 1968	Photograph of Dr. Bordon during Musqueam Dig.

1-04	ARC.002.02.012	Musqueam Dig, [Arrowhead], June 19, 1968	June 19, 1968	Photograph of an arrowhead during Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.013	Musqueam Dig, June 19, 1968	June 19, 1968	Photograph of Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.014	Musqueam Dig, Annamarie Point	June 19, 1968	Photograph of Annamarie Point, Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.015	Musqueam Dig, May 19, 1968	May 19, 1968	Photograph of Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.016	Musqueam Dig, May 19, 1968	May 19, 1968	Photograph of Musqueam Dig.
1-04	ARC.002.02.017	Musqueam Dig, May 19, 1968	May 19, 1968	Photograph of Musqueam Dig.

## Series 3: SFU Archaeology Dig at Mayne Island

### Identifier

ARC.002.03

### Date

1968

### Physical Description

6 photograph slides

### Creator

Adelaide Robertson

### Scope & Content

Series consists of photographs of an SFU archaeology dig at Mayne Island.

### System Of Arrangement

The archivist has maintained the original order of the photograph slides.

### Access Conditions

Access to this series is restricted until further notice.

### Use And Reproduction Conditions

Use and reproduction of this series is restricted until further notice.

Box-Folder	Identifier	Title	Dates	Description
1-04	ARC.002.03.001	[SFU Digs It, Mayne Island, 1968]	1968	Photograph of SFU Digs It at Mayne Island.
1-04	ARC.002.03.002	Ancestral Remains, Mayne Island, 1968	1968	Photograph of ancestral remains at the SFU dig at Mayne Island.
1-04	ARC.002.03.003	SFU, Mayne Island, 1968	1968	Photograph of archaeologists at SFU Dig at Mayne Island.
1-04	ARC.002.03.004	SFU, Mayne Island, 1968	1968	Photograph of archaeologists at SFU Dig at Mayne Island.

1-04	ARC.002.03.005	[SFU Digs It, Beach], Mayne Island, 1968	1968	Photograph of beach at Mayne Island during SFU dig.
1-04	ARC.002.03.006	Ancestral Remains, Mayne Island, 1968	1968	Photograph of ancestral remains at the SFU dig at Mayne Island.