The Value of Archives: A Roundtable

Please join the Department of History for a Roundtable Discussion on the Value of Archives. The roundtable brings together professional archivists and scholars of History and Art History to address how archival collections are appraised, the benefits and disadvantages of digitization, how we theorize the archive, and what difference a queer perspective makes in our approach to archives.

Thursday, March 7, 11:00 am
Watson Hall rm. 517

David Russell, Monetizing the Archive

David Russell is a retired archivist who served as supervisor of the Private Manuscripts Section in the Archives of Ontario and who currently serves as an appraiser for the National Archives Appraisal Board. His presentation will address the monetary appraisal of archival records.

Heather Home, Digitizing the Archive

Heather Home is a public services/private records Archivist at the Queen’s University Archives. Her remarks will address the question: Does digitization democratize or disengage the Archives?

Joan Schwartz, The 'Real' World of Archives

Joan Schwartz is a Professor of Art History at Queen’s University who worked as a specialist in photography acquisition and research at the National Archives of Canada prior to her appointment at Queen’s. Her presentation will address what happens when academic theory meets professional practice.

Steven Maynard, Queering the Archive

Steven Maynard is an Assistant Professor of History at Queen’s University. He will address from the perspective of queer history whether archives are desirable.