

Billy W. Sills Center for Archives/FWISD

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Ron Abram

“The Calvin Littlejohn Photo Archive: 50 Years of Business Excellence and Community Service”

May 27, 2017



Calvin Littlejohn – 1991 Self-Portrait

Calvin Littlejohn, photographer and entrepreneur, arrived in Fort Worth in 1934. Shortly after his arrival, he established a photography studio and began to capture on film the people and the scenes of a busy community. Littlejohn’s rare collection of irreplaceable photos celebrates the richness and complexity of black culture in a segregated Fort Worth.

On May 27, 2017, Ron Abram, Littlejohn’s grandson, will share some of the thousands of Littlejohn’s photographs. In a lecture at the Billy W. Sills Center for Archives, Mr. Abram will show studio portraits, group pictures at school gatherings, church services, school events and a wide variety of scenes from the African-American experience in North Texas. Mr. Abram manages the Littlejohn Photo Archive in association with the Briscoe Center for American History at the University of Texas, Austin. The Littlejohn archive is the most comprehensive photo documentation of urban Texas African-American life and culture in the post-World War II segregation era.

Join us for coffee and
“nibbles”
beginning at 9:30 a.m.
Saturday, May 27, 2017
10:00 to 12:00

NO ADMISSION FEE

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