



## Taking a Special Collection Out into the Field Using Historypin

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### **Abstract:**

There has been a lot of infrastructural development occurring at The University of the West Indies, Mona Campus. The physical plant is rapidly being transformed and is unrecognizable to graduates, as recent as five years ago. With this institutional focus on improved facilities the documentation of the changing campus landscape is an imperative for safeguarding Mona Campus history. The preservation of the memory and history of the Mona Campus can best be done through visual documentation. Photographs are an excellent way to represent changes in the physical condition. The Special Collections of the Mona Library saw in this situation great opportunity. Initiatives utilizing geographically based historical documents concerning the Mona Campus held in the collection were pursued. This presentation describes experiences related to the utilization of the web-based image content management application Historypin, to highlight of historical photographic images of the Mona Campus. It identifies the practical ways in which augmented reality (AR) has benefited the Mona Library and its community of users.