

OBJECT ID	2013.6.9
OBJECT NAME	Paper, Photographic
TITLE	Riis School Graduates, June 1944
OBJECT COLLECTION	The Calas Family Photograph Collection (is part of)
DATE CREATED	1944
EVENT	Graduation
MEDIUM	Photo Paper
OBJECT ENTITIES	Foto, Flander (created by) Riis, Jacob (is related to) Calas, Andrew, (is related to) Foto, Flander (created by)
ACCESS POINTS	black and white Photo Photographic Print Ribbons School

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

A black and white photo of 44 students, graduating Riis Elementary School in 1944. The students are around 13 years of age and all dressed up for their picture. Every student has a ribbon pinned to the front of their shirt. The girls in the front are sitting on simple wooden chairs and the sudents behind are standing on a bench. The photograph was taken outside the school and the backdrop is a w brick wall with a mesh screened window. In the back row one boy has his face circled in black marker. This was Andrew Calas, Andrew and Chrisanthes' son.

ORIGIN

This is a photograph of Riis school graduates of 1944. The photograph was taken by Flanders Foto. Andrew and Chrisanthe Calas' son, Andrew is in the

back row of the picture with his face circled in black marker. He was about 13 or 14 in this picture.

Jacob A. Riis elementary school was built in 1915 and then closed in 2001. It was possibly demolished around 2004. Jacob August Riis was a Danish American social reformer and photographer who lived from 1849 to 1914, a year before the school was constructed. Riis was known for using his photography and journalism to help the impovrished of New York City. He is considered one of the fathers of photography due to his earl implementation of flash in his work.

CITATION

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