

DIY for the Genealogists



Supplies: mask, cotton or nitrile gloves, sharpie or photo marker, magnifying glass, post-it notes.

The Five Steps to Photo Organizing

1. Set goals and deadlines
2. Select the items for your project
3. Sort
4. Save and scan your printed photos and slides
5. Share your hard work with family and friends

Places to Look?

Paper & Photo: albums, shoe boxes, Aunt Mildred's, scrapbooks, frames, photo lab envelopes, kid's artwork

Websites: FOREVER, Google, Dropbox, iCloud, Amazon, Shutterfly, Facebook

Electronics: Computers; old & new SD cards/memory cards, hard drives, thumb drives, CD's/DVD

Different Ways to Think About Organizing - Timeline, Theme, Decade, or Period of Time

Tags, Keywords or Metadata can help you organize, sort, and save your work.

Handling Documents: PDF or JPEG it's your choice. PDF is typically the choice for multi-page documents in order to keep them together.

Put Your Sorting Hat On – Yes, No, Maybe

The Photo Detective, Maureen Taylor

VHS and film convert to MP4. Audio convert to MP3.

Safe Storage for your photos, media and memorabilia =Archival and Acid-Free - Archival Methods and Native Archival

Photobooks with FOREVER or other photo services to share all your hard work

Free \$20 coupon - <https://www.forever.com/ambassador/kimberly-melton>

Video Playbook - <https://www.photoflashdrive.com/product-category/video-players/>

3-2-1-Backup

3 Copies

2 Different Media

1 Stored off-site

Backup Your Photos with Backblaze – One month Free - <https://secure.backblaze.com/r/022dgg>

Resources: Use software to help you eliminate duplicates in your collection

PC – Duplicate Finder Pro – FREE MAC – Photo Sweeper – approx. \$9.99

Paid Cloud Backup - Google Photos, OneDrive, Prime, Apple Photo, Dropbox

Photo Cloud Backup – FOREVER, SmugMug, Flickr

Share photos but DON'T synch or save – Facebook, Shutterfly, Instagram