

NEWARK RENAISSANCE: A LIVING ARCHIVE

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History is usually written about Newark. *This project was built so Newark could write it back.*

Newark Renaissance: A Living Archive is a community-built initiative from The Scrap Up, created to collect, preserve, and celebrate Newark's story in the voices and images of the people who lived it. Funded through a North to Shore Community Arts Grant and presented in partnership with the Newark Public Library, the project brings together photography, memory, and cultural history into a living archive that will be permanently housed at the Newark Public Library, ensuring Newark's story stays accessible to the community for generations to come.

THE INITIATIVE INCLUDES

- A community photo exhibition at The 7 Space, curated by Andrece Brady of AB Arts Collective, featuring archival and contemporary photography that captures Newark across generations.
- A Community Memory Lab, where residents can digitize and contribute their own family photographs to the growing archive with Newark Public Library.
- A record wall, created in partnership with More More Now Records, honoring Newark's musical history.
- Creators Corner, where participants can add a page to a collective scrapbook or contribute pictures to a photo album, both of which become part of the permanent archive at the Newark Public Library.
- Community programming, including artist talks, walkthroughs, scrapbooking socials, and hands-on archive-building sessions open to the public.

Scroll down to explore the photo exhibition, curated by Andrece Brady of AB Arts Collective.