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unit

## 2<sup>nd</sup> year BA Photography: Narrative, Rochester, and Farnham (2014)

Well presented  
Broad range of  
ideas and ways  
of using  
archives

This 1 day workshop was designed to show how archives could fit in the brief of the Photography narrative module run at Rochester. A shorter one hour session was undertaken for the narrative module at Farnham.

**Narratives transform the world's flux and chaos into cohesive and readable structures; this is achieved by editing, organizing and connecting elements into stories with beginnings, middles and ends that provide clear explanations of otherwise random information. (Narrative brief, Rochester)**

THE SKETCH-  
BOOKS WERE  
INSPIRATIONAL  
ENJOYED IT  
ALLOT  
THANK YOU

- what I find interesting is the  
mystery of the archive / when you  
say, get a first name given, but not  
a second; It holds a secret content  
that he may never know.

Very well done  
presentation, I know  
have a clear idea  
about Archives, which  
I did not before.

The Rochester day consisted of presentations, group exercises and contribution within the morning, and a hands-on session with the Rochester and Farnham archives within the afternoon.

Students were encouraged to talk in groups on the following areas: 'What is an archive?', 'what can be found in an archive?' 'how can we use archives?', 'what preservation issues are in archives?', 'where can you find archives?' before getting an Archivist's perspective, with examples of links. The day also looked at archival theory, and how cataloguing, can be seen as a narrative, telling a story. Examples were then provided of artists that have used archival theory in their work, highlighting how history and readings of it are always subjective.

Feedback included 'very useful and resourceful-great to have access to this', 'it may have pushed me in using archives in my narrative unit'

INDEPTH INFO  
WHICH WAS GREAT  
TO FIND OUT  
ABOUT + HOW WE  
CAN ACCESS  
ARCHIVES

- Informative
- Lecturer was very enthusiastic and made ours interesting & interactive presentation

Was really  
useful to learn  
all the websites