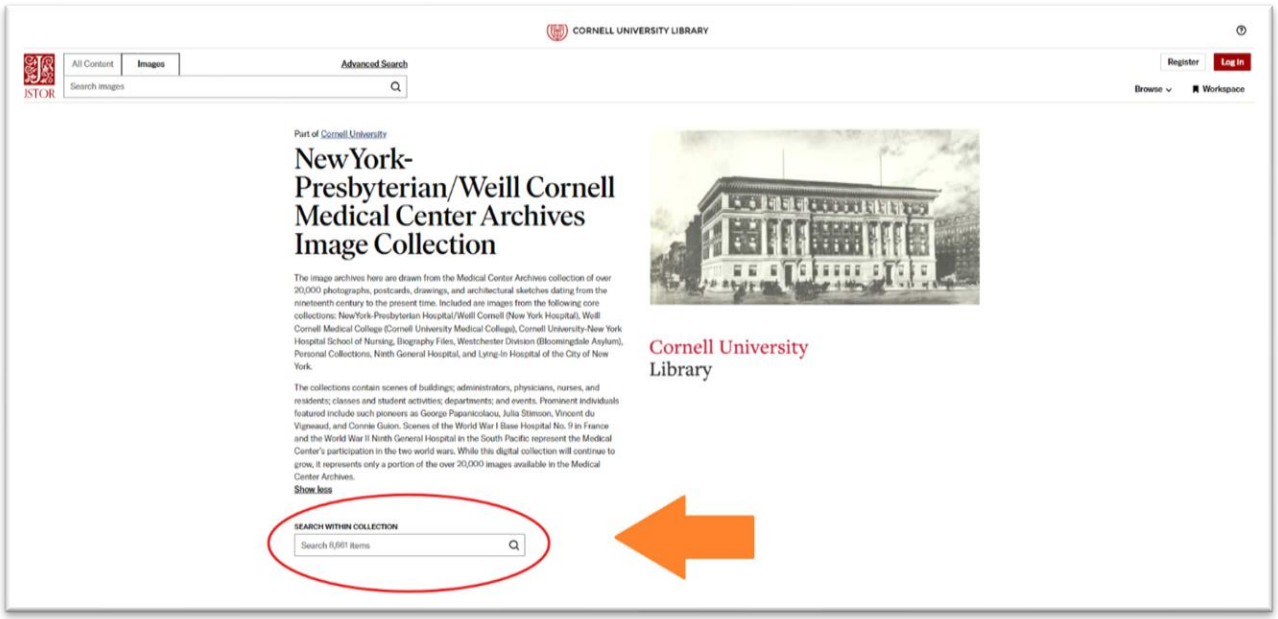
Digital Materials from the Medical Center Archives

The Medical Center Archives of NewYork-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medicine has more than 14,000 digitized or born-digital images, documents, and ephemera related to people, buildings, events, and activities associated with the medical center and the institutions that preceded it. The materials are available online in two databases: **Public Collection** and **Institutional Collection**. The Institutional Collection database is available to students, faculty, and staff of the medical center (must be connected to the network onsite or through the VPN) and includes materials dating from the early nineteenth century to the present. The Public Collection database is available to the public and contains materials up to 1976.

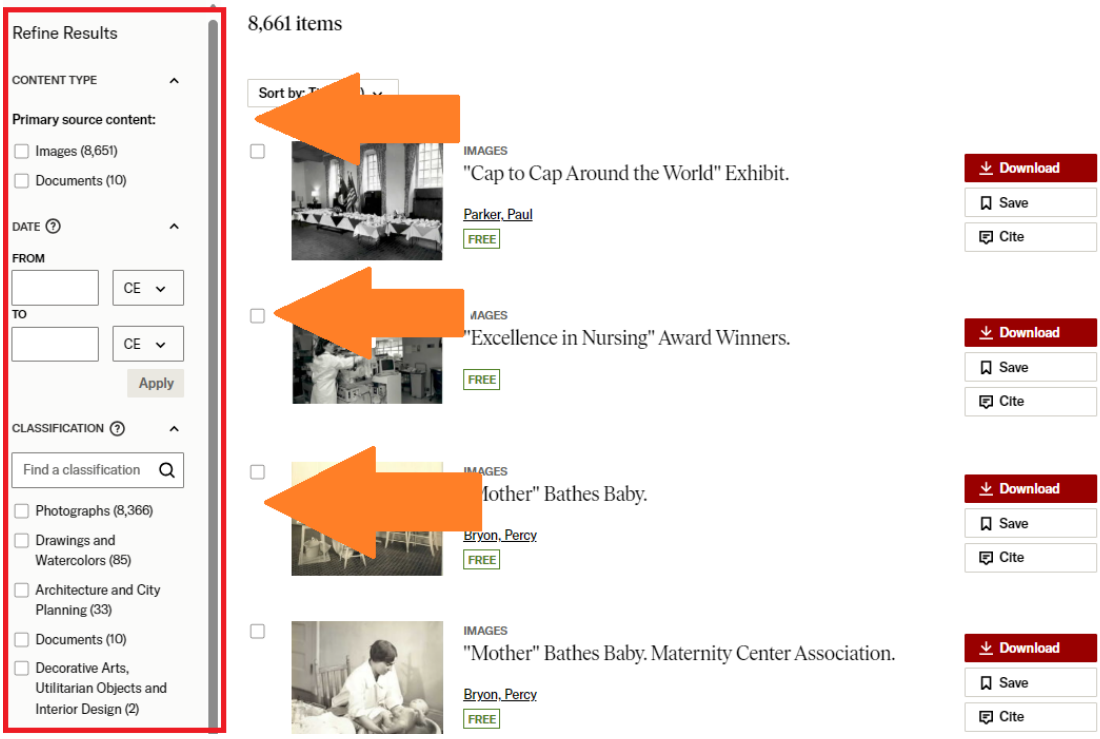
How to Search the Database

Visit http://library.weill.cornell.edu/archives/image-collections and click on the desired database, either Public Collection or Institutional Collection. When the site opens, type your search term in the box labeled "Search Within Collection."



Refine Results

To refine your search results, use the menu pane on the left side of the screen. Results can primarily be refined by content type, date, or image classification. Content type notes if an item is an image or a document. Image classification notes whether and image is a photograph, drawing, or print among other options.



Item Details

From the search result, click on the image to bring up details about the item and to view it in a larger size. Please note the accession number, which is needed for ordering the image from the Medical Center Archives. Please also note the rights field, which has important information regarding the copyright status of the image.

Using Images

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