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Pictures of Monroe County

If are looking for pictures of Monroe County, the largest collection online is the [Rochester Images page](#) on the Rochester Public Library website. There you will find over 22,000 pictures collected from the Local History Department of the Rochester Public Library, Rochester Archives, Rochester Museum and Science Center and four towns. Best of all, you can search for keywords or names and then view the pictures on-line. The pictures are freely available for non-commercial use.



There is a [Pictures page](#) on GenWeb of Monroe County. It started out being just old postcards but has added recent photos. Currently there are over 3,100 pictures that can be viewed in various sizes.

A search on [Google Images](#) finds more recent photos than old ones. Just the same, you should try searching their links to pictures from all over the web. You should try changing the wording until you find what you are looking for.

The Local History section of the Rochester Public Library (RPL) has a collection of old High School yearbooks beginning as far back as 1900 for Rochester and later for suburban towns. The collection does not have a complete run as the library only has those yearbooks that have been donated to them over the years. A major problem is that the yearbooks at RPL may not be copied. They have some early Rochester yearbooks on their [School Heritage Collection web page](#). Yearbooks are often searched for pictures of people in their youth. Sometimes this may be the only existing picture of an ancestor. Be aware that not everyone graduated from high school because they may have had to go to work early to support their family. You may also find yearbooks available for purchase on Internet auction sites and on-line booksellers.

The website [Classmates](#) lots of yearbooks online. They are a commercial website and seem to always want you to upgrade to a more expensive service. There are people that love the website and others that dislike it.

There is a [School Yearbooks web page](#) on the GenWeb of Monroe County website that links to are yearbooks online from non-commercial websites.

In 1976 the Irondequoit Historical Society published the large format booklet [Early Irondequoit](#). That booklet has 84 pictures from the early days of the Town of Irondequoit. The author was Walter Sassaman who was at that time the Town Historian.

[Arcadia Publishing](#) has an "Images of America" of books that are mostly pictures with a little text describing the picture. Each book has 128 pages. They publish all the pictures in black and white even it was originally a colorized postcards. They will give you a good feel of the area in the past. Many Monroe County

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libraries have good collections of these books. You may buy these books online. You can also find used copies on [eBay](#) or [Amazon](#).

These are the books for Monroe County that have been published by Arcadia with links on WorldCat to show libraries that own the books:

Around Brockport by William G. Andrews, (2002) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Gates by the Gates Historical Society, (2005) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Greece by Shirley Cox Husted, (2001) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Henrietta by Helen Vollmer Elam, (2006) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Irondequoit by Thomas Cole Richens and Patricia S Wayne, (2006) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Around Mendon and Honeoye Falls by Diane Ham and Roberta Luce-Majewski, (2004) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Ogden and Spencerport by the Ogden Historical Committee, (2002) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Parma and Hilton by Shirley Cox Husted, (2000) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Penfield by Martin M. Wamp, (2004) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Perinton, Fairport, and the Erie Canal by the Perinton Historical Society, (2001) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Fairport and Perinton by William Keeler and Keith Boas, (2009) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Perinton and Fairport in the 20th Century by Perinton Historical Society, (2004) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Rush by Susan Bittner Mee, (2014) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Webster by Lynn M. Barton, Joan E. Sassone, and Mary Hasek Grenier, (2010) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Wheatland by Catherine Gilbert and Barbara Chapman, (2008) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Rochester's Lakeside Resorts and Amusement Parks by Donovan A. Shilling, (1999) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Rochester Neighborhoods by Shirley Cox Husted and Ruth Rosenberg-Naparsteck, (2000) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

Rochester's Downtown by Donovan A. Shilling, (2001) ([WorldCat listing](#)).



Some books by Arcadia

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- Rochester: Labor and Leisure* by Donovan A. Shilling, (2002) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Greater Rochester: A Century of Progress* by Michael Leavy, (2002) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Historic East Avenue District* by Michael Leavy, (2003) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Corn Hill: The Historic Third Ward* by Michael Leavy, (2003) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Transportation Heritage* by Donovan A. Shilling, (2004) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's South Wedge* by Rose O'Keefe, (2005) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Dutchtown* by Michael Leavy and Glenn Leavy, (2005) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Leaders and Their Legacies*, Donovan A. Shilling, (2005) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's 19th Ward* by Michael Leavy and Glenn Leavy, (2005) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Southeast Rochester* by Rose O'Keefe, (2006) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Downtown Architecture: 1950-1975* by Daniel J. Palmer, (2011) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester's Latino Community* by Julio Saenz, (2011) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rails in Rochester and Monroe County* by Richard "Dick" Chait, (2015) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Rochester Through Time* by Mary Hasek Grenier and Emily C. Morry, (2015) ([WorldCat listing](#)).
- Seabreeze Park* by Jim Futrell, (2018) ([WorldCat listing](#)).

