

## From Home Plate to Glass Plate: Famed Baseball Photos Housed at Twenty-Two Gallery

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A photographic archive spanning over 50 years of baseball, other sports and historical figures and events is available to view, purchase or license at Shawn Murray's Twenty-Two Gallery, 236 South 22<sup>nd</sup> Street. Murray's grandfather, Bruce Murray, Sr., nicknamed the "Master," was an award-winning photojournalist between 1911 and 1958, who photographed baseball legends such as Babe Ruth, Lou Gehrig and Connie Mack. These photographs, some of which were never published, are preserved on glass plates owned by Shawn Murray. Bruce Murray, Sr.'s photographs are also housed in the National Baseball Hall of Fame, the Thomas Edison Museum, the Babe Ruth Museum and in many private and corporate collections.

Shawn's father, Bruce Murray, Jr., was a press photographer for the Evening Bulletin and the New Jersey Courier Post as well as an industrial photographer, and his photographs cover Americana and industrial and military subjects. Murray has preserved the works of his grandfather and father, and he prints them in his darkroom behind the gallery. Some of the photos are on view in the gallery, and some may be seen by appointment only. An exhibition of Bruce Murray, Sr.'s photographs will open in November 2012. More information about these photographs is available at [www.brucemurray.com](http://www.brucemurray.com).



Shawn Murray, the owner of Twenty-Two Gallery, in front of some of the sports photographs taken by his grandfather, Bruce Murray, Sr.