# HARRY J ALLYN COLLECTION

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# The Spokane Tribe

Collection Of 46 Photos C/1899 By Harry J Allyn - Photographer Printed on Albumen Paper

Acquired in 1970 by Alan Metnick

This is the first time these prints are being offered for purchase since acquired 51 years ago. They were shown to John Szarkowski at the Museum Of Modern Art in 1973. He wanted to buy them for his personal collection.

There is very little known about Harry J Allyn and his time spent photographing the Spokane tribe. Some prints of his are in collections in various institutions that collect photos of Native Americans. He did go through the process of copyrighting some, but not all of his images. Some of the images in this collection are signed by him with the notation that they were copyrighted and the date of the copyright.

This collection is unique in its quantity and quality and will be offered only as an entire collection and not as individual prints. Inquiries and offers for purchase are invited.

History and care of the 46 photos since acquired: The photos were all glued to thick paper with high acid content when acquired. The glue was water based and made removal from the subsurface fairly easy without damaging the photo surface of the Albumen Paper. All the photos were then individually placed in a light acetic acid bath for approximately half a minute and then fixed in a light fix for two to three minutes and placed in gently running water for twenty to thirty minutes to remove all excess fix. The photos were air dried on nylon mesh screens and gently flattened afterwards. All prints were individually matted at that time (1970) using small strips of acid free archival tape to secure each print from the back of the photo to the archival mat board and the acid free archival board the print rests on.

There has been absolutely no deterioration of change in the color or surface of prints for over half a century.

The prints have been stored in archival boxes and placed in individual archival plastic envelopes since 1970.

# Harry J Allyn (Spokane Tribe Washington State)



1

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: 2 young girls seated in front of teepee one pointing

Date: 1899

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Front with signature lower left with copyright applied for by

Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



2

HARRY J ALLYN

**Print Identity:** Tribal Elder Printed as oval

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 4 (W) x 4 % (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent with fold upper left hand corner outside of oval print

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



3

HARRY J ALLYN

Print Identity: 2 young boys peeking out from teepee opening

Date: Circa 1899

Size: Circular 3 % inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Good with slight foxing

Comment: N/A



4

Print Identity: 2 men with hats seated on horse

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 4½ (W) x 3 ¾ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Good with slight fading, less contrast than most in collection

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results N/A** 



5

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Woman wrapped in blanket while seated on horse staring ahead

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 3 ½ (W) x 4 ½ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970 **Condition:** Good with slight foxing and sun-flare in women's face and adjacent

to horses' heads. Spotting from negative abrasion

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results:** N/A



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Older women and young women possibly daughter with beaded

necklaces, bracelets and earrings in front of teepee

Date: Circa 1899

Size: Circular 3 1/4 inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

**Comment:** Possibly wife and daughter of man, see next photo



**Print Identity:** Male with striped blanket and bow

Date: Circa 1899

Size: Circular 3 1/4 inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent

**Comment:** Note earrings and teepee in previous photograph. Possible relation

to women in previous photograph

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: 5 people seated on horses one with umbrella, from rear

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 4 1/2 (W) x 3 % (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Good. Slight fading with splotchy white sky.

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



9

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Young boy on bareback horse

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 3 ½ (W) x 4 ½ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Good with unprinted blocked area of horses neck and head. Scratch

from negative on horse. Possible double exposure note object lower

right and horses head

Comment: N/A



10

Print Identity: Woman with hair covering in front of wagon with fencing

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 3 ½ (W) x 4 ½ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



#### 11

# **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: Male with Winchester in hunting pose

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 4 ¾ (W) x 6 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Yes. Lower right with copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent Comment: N/A

**Auction Results N/A** 



# 12

## **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: Elderly man on spotted horse amid foliage

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 6 3/4 (W) x 4 3/4 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

**Dry Mounted:** No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: \*See next photo



**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Elderly man on spotted horse amid foliage

(different angle, rider looking up)

**Date: 1899** 

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. With copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

(signed negative-signature white)

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Slight foxing upper right corner

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** 4 women seated on horses at event from rear

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 4 ½ (W) x 3 ¾ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

**Comment:** Note Signage in photograph

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: 3 figures in front of tree. Man, woman, and child

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 3 1/8 (W) x 4 1/8 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent with some dark spots in shadows at bottom

Comment: N/A



16

**Print Identity:** Male in blanket wearing hate with stern look in front of teepee

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 3 ½ (W) x 4 ½ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

**Dry Mounted:** No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Good with possible chemical spot in center of blanket. Small

chemical spot on teepee

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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# HARRY J ALLYN

Print Identity: Young mother with braided hair and child carrying basket

Date: 1899, Dated on Negative, Copyrighted by Harry J Allyn

**Size:** 4 ¾ (W) x 6 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Front lower right on negative, left hand border in ink ¼ up from bottom

print copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: Exquisite Print, See image(s) 20,26,27,32,33,44

**Auction Results:** N/A



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## **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: Male and Female couple on horses on grass hill

**Date:** 1899

Size: 6 3/4 (W) x 4 3/4 (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes, on negative lower right copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: N/A



HARRY J ALLYN

**Print Identity:** Couple, mother and father with 3 children

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes, signed on negative, copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Young child in carrying basket

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 4 ¾ (W) x 7 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. Signed on negative, copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: See image(s) 17,26,27,32,33,44

**Auction Results: N/A** 



21

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Mother with 2 children, holding one

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 3 1/4 (W) x 4 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Very Good. Small fold lower left hand corner, negative abrasion

over womens head

Comment: N/A



Print Identity: 2 young girls in front of teepee. One pointing while other

pouring drink

**Date: 1899** 

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes, lower left. Copyrighted applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent. Photograph slightly overexposed

Comment: See entry 1
Auction Results N/A



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** Teepee settlement with mountain range in distance

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 4 ½ (W) x 3 ½ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Good. Two diagonal chemical stains in sky and some

splotching in sky **Comment:** N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Teepee in landscape reflected in pond

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 4 ½ (W) x 6 ¾ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Good. Some over exposure and 2 dark spots in trees

(negative abrasion)

Comment: See image 34
Auction Results N/A



**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** Native American Male with 2 visiting Females with hats, sitting

in field

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 3 1/4 (W) x 4 1/2 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970 **Condition:** Excellent. 3 small dark spots in sky from negative abrasion and sun

spot on males hat

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Infant in basket against tree

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 4 (W) x 5 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Yes. Signed on negative copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: See image(s) 17,20,27,32,33,44

**Auction Results N/A** 



27

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Infant in basket against tree, child crying

**Date:** 1899

Size: 4 (W) x 5 3/4 (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. Signed on front copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: See image(s) 17,20,26,32,33,44



**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Older woman with child and dog with wooden buildings in

background

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 4 ½ (W) x 3 ¾ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



29

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** 2 young girls fishing with landed fish behind them

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Some dust spots in shaded tree upper right

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** 2 young girls in front of teepee seated in conversation

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes, on negative copyrighted by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan

Metnick 1970

Condition: Good. Diagonal fold on right side of print and some foxing

Comment: See image 22
Auction Results: N/A



**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Woman seated with horses in background with teepee staves in

background

Date: Circa 1899

Size: Circular 3 1/4 inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan

Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Poor. Tear along the bottom part of the photograph. Some

chemical stains.

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



32

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** Young mother with child in carrying basket with horse

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 4 ¾ (W) x 6 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. Lower right copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Scratch through surface from signature

Comment: See image(s) 17,20,26,27,33,44

Auction Results: N/A



33

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Young mother with child in carrying basket. Child looking

at mother

**Date:** 1899

Size: 4 3/4 (W) x 6 3/4 (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Yes. Lower right on negative, copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Inconsistent development **Comment:** See *image*(s)17,20,26,27,32,44



Print Identity: Teepee in landscape reflected in pond with mountain range in

background

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970 **Condition:** Excellent. Features in mountain range readable. Two small spots in

the sky, negative abrasion

**Comment:** See image 24 (vertical, closer range)

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** Male with striped blanket in front of teepee

Date: circa 1899

**Size:** 3 % (W) x 4 % (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent
Comment: See image 7
Auction Results: N/A



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**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Older Male with necklace and earrings with adorned vest

Date: Circa 1899

Size: Circular 3 1/2 inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent Comment: N/A



**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: 2 couples in front of teepee

**Date:** 1899

Size: 4 ¾ (W) x 3 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. Lower left corner copyright applied for Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Good. Tear lower right corner.

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



38

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

Print Identity: Elderly male on spotted horse with feathered headdress

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 6 ½ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Yes. Lower right copyright applied for Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Spot in the sky and on grass.

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results:** N/A



39

**HARRY J ALLYN** 

**Print Identity:** Elderly male seated with stick and top hat and black overcoat

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 3 ½ (W) x 5 ½ (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Uneven negative development.

Comment: N/A



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Print Identity: Older Male wrapped with blanket in front of teepee

Date: Circa 1899

**Size:** 3 5/8 (W) x 4 5/8 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Good. Small 5% tear near hands under blanket

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



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# **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: Women with child on horse in wooded scene

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

**Signed:** Yes. Lower right corner copyright applied for by Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Light underdevelopment spot below horses ear.

Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



#### 42

# **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: 2 women on horse with infant child in front of teepees with

mountains behind

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 9 1/4 (W) x 7 3/8 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Good. 3 vertical scratches to surface, uneven development

Comment: N/A



Print Identity: Young girl on white horse, wooden buildings in background

**Date:** 1899

Size: 6 ¾ (W) x 4 ¾ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. Lower left Copyright applied for Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent Comment: N/A

**Auction Results: N/A** 



## 44

# **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: Young mother with child in carrying basket with horse

**Date:** 1899

**Size:** 3 ½ (W) x 4 ½ (H) inches

**Albumen Print** 

Signed: Yes. Lower Left, Copyright applied for Harry J Allyn

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

Comment: See image(s) 17,20,26,27,32,33

**Auction Results:** N/A



#### 45

## **HARRY J ALLYN**

Print Identity: Father and daughter on horse

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 6 3/4 (W) x 4 5/8 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

Provenance: Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

Condition: Excellent. Negative over exposed. Inconsistent development

Comment: N/A



46 HARRY J ALLYN

**Print Identity:** Young male with a white feather in hair in front of teepee

Date: Circa 1899

Size: 3 3/4 (W) x 4 3/4 (H) inches

Albumen Print Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent. Small dust spot in the blanket.

Comment:

Auction Results: N/AB&W Signed: No

Dry Mounted: No

**Provenance:** Dana's Basement Bookshop Providence RI by Alan Metnick 1970

**Condition:** Excellent

**Comment:** Note signage in photograph