

A Farm Family Album: The Photographs of Frank Sadorus Program Presenters

Raymond Bial was a librarian for over twenty years at Parkland College, Champaign, Illinois. Like Sadorus, he is a self-taught photographer and had a beloved farm in his childhood. He has published more than twenty-five books for adults and children. In 1987, he published *Upon a Quiet Landscape* after spending two years printing the work of Frank Sadorus.

Jeff Cunningham is a cinematographer. Inspired by Ray Bial's work, he produced his first version of the video, *Upon a Quiet Landscape* for his graduate work. He reworked it for this exhibition. He created, hosted, and wrote *Prairie Fires*, a public television series on WILL-TV that examines the people, places, and institutions unique to central Illinois.



Dr. Debra Reid is an Assistant Professor in the department of History at Eastern Illinois University. He has published extensively on the agricultural history of the United States.

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