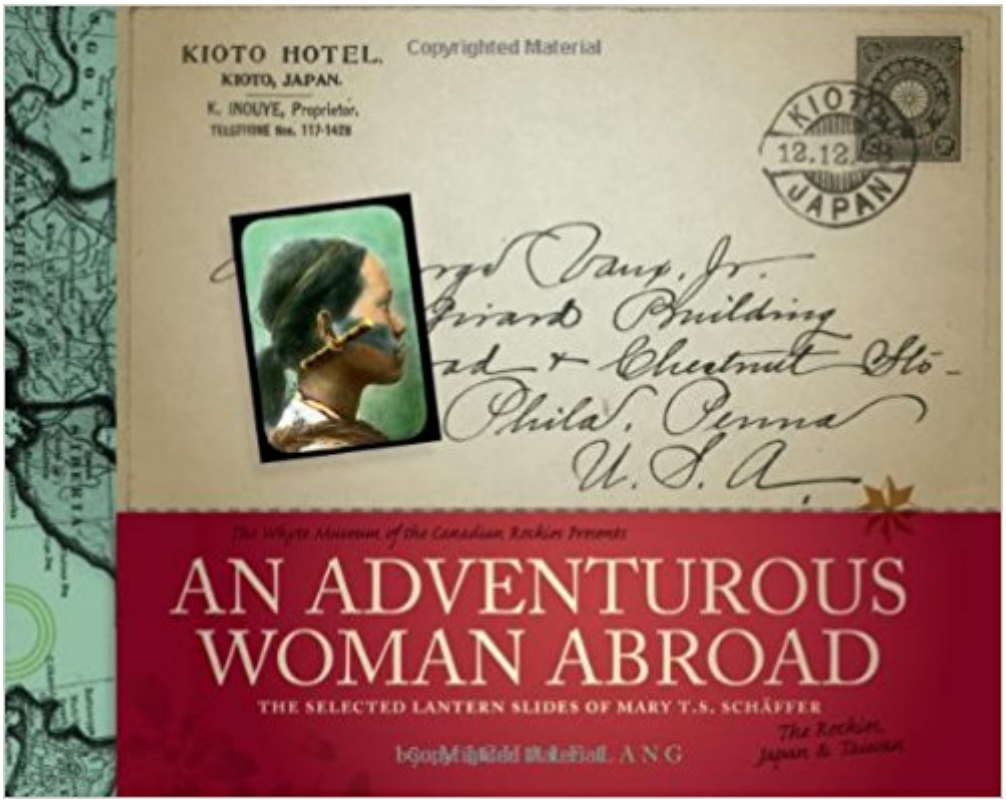
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Synopsis

In the late 19th and early 20th centuries, travelling within North American borders or beyond to exotic locations was difficult at best and disastrous at worst. Mary Schaffer, born into a Pennsylvania-based Quaker family in 1861, not only conquered international travel but also excelled as an explorer, surveyor and photographer in the backcountry of Canadas Rocky Mountains and the isolated communities of Japan and Formosa (now Taiwan). Michale Langs new book features more than 200 of Mary Schaffers colourful, hand-painted lantern slides from the archives of the Whyte Musem of the Canadian Rockies. These unique works of art detail some of the indigenous people and breathtaking landscapes of the Rocky Mountains, along with tribal communities of Japan and Formosa. Schaffers writing, Michale Langs accompanying narrative and the books overall design (inspired by the work of Barbara Hodgson, author and designer of The Tattooed Map, No Place for a Lady and Opium) opens a unique window on the Victorian obsession with international travel and discovery.

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Abroad: The Lantern Slides of Mary T.S. Schaffer and Bears: Tracks through Time.

Wonderful images from lantern slides taken by an amazing lady - Mary T.S Schaffer. The text is equally captivating. My hat's off to this important historical and artistic book. I hope to retrace her steps someday with my Pony Premo 6 4x5 camera and imagine what it was like in the Canadian Rockies more than 100 years ago.

WHEN TRAVELING IN THE CANADIAN ROCKIES THIS SUMMER HEARD ABOUT MARY T SCHAFFER AND WANTED TO LEARN MORE ABOUT HER LIFE. AFTER READING OLD INDIAN TRAILS, WANTED TO SEE SOME OF THE PHOTOS THAT SHE TOOK. WASN'T DISAPPOINTED.

So happy these pictures were documented for all to see. A great woman.

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