

Digitization Projects in a Small Academic Library

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Why Digitize?

- Enhanced Access
- Exposure
- Alternative Format
- User Needs and Expectations
- Digital Backup

Should You Digitize—Considerations

- Investment of time and staff
- Long term funding
- Once start hard to stop
- Institutional support
- User/Institution Expectations

What to Digitize?

- Preservation Concerns
- High Use
- Copyright Issues
 - <http://www.copyright.gov/docs/nla.html>
 - <http://www.librarycopyright.net/digitalslider/>
- What is the perceived need for a digital library?
- All of it or some of it
- Establish Selection criteria

Hardware Selection

- Flat bed Scanners
 - Technical Requirements
 - Material Needs
 - Listserv Suggestions
 - Time vs.. Money
 - What to Look For
- V-Shaped Scanners
 - Personal Use options
- In House vs.. Vendor
 - <http://www.nedcc.org/>



Software—Paid Services

- Advantages
 - Out of the Box Solution
 - Support
 - Little “Techy” Skills Required
- Disadvantages
 - Little Customization
 - Costs and fees
- Examples
 - OCLC’s CONTENTdm <http://www.contentdm.com/>
 - http://digital.boisestate.edu/cdm4/index_archives.php?CISO_ROOT=/archives
 - Ex Libris’ DigiTool <http://www.exlibrisgroup.com/category/DigiToolOverview>

Software-Open Source

- Advantages
 - Low cost
 - Customization
- Disadvantages
 - Need varying levels of tech ability depending on product
 - Internal and listserv community support
- Examples
 - Greenstone <http://www.greenstone.org/>
 - Streetprint <http://www.crcstudio.org/streetprintorg/>
 - Archon <http://archon.org/>
 - Scriblio <http://about.scriblio.net/download/>

Software—The Consortium Approach

- Advantages
 - Play off each other's strengths and weaknesses
 - Cost effective
- Disadvantages
 - Lack of Branding
- Examples
 - Maine Memory Network
<http://www.mainememory.net/>
 - Digital Commonwealth
<http://www.digitalcommonwealth.org/>

Software—Flickr and Wikis

- Advantages

- Free or low cost
- No tech support needed
- Strong following

- Disadvantages

- Little or no branding

- Examples

- Flickr

http://www.flickr.com/photos/boston_public_library/

- YouMass

<http://www.library.umass.edu/spcoll/youmass/doku.php>
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So What Have We Learned So Far

- Vision and mission
- What are others doing?
- Audience
- Labor
- Copyright and fair use
- Metadata and Technical Standards
- Long and Short Term Goals
- Start small

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A Case Study

Decision—Scriblio

- Customizable
 - All required searching/browsing requirements
 - Deployment Time: 2-3 months
 - All required metadata
 - Exit strategy
 - Web 2.0
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- BUT...wanted to work with Casey Bisson, one of the creators of Scriblio to enhance the archives module

Links

- <http://beyondbrownpaper.plymouth.edu/>

Scriblio Backend

Screenshots

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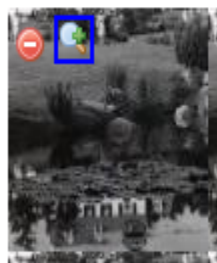
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Source

File Name

President's Private Collection (President's House)

Digitized Year

2009

Month

5

Day

18

Box Number

Folder Number

Collection

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Colby-Sawyer College Photograph Collection

CSC2008.010

Publisher

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<http://archives.colby-sawyer.edu/>

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