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IMLS and Digitization: New Initiatives

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Discussion:

IMLS supports digitization of library and museum resources and research to improve the management, preservation and interoperability of digital libraries. Current activities include:

- New funding opportunities for digitization and technology development in museums

Museums On-Line addresses the technological needs and issues of museums. Support is given for model projects that address the challenges of digitization of museum collections and/or demonstrate the educational impact of connecting museums and their communities through technology.
ANNUAL DEADLINE—March 1 (National Leadership Grants for Museums)

- National invitational conference

A recent conference highlighting digital library projects funded by IMLS to date identified significant trends and future funding needs. Sessions focused on content development; building of networked infrastructures; involvement of users in digital libraries; and preservation, interoperability, and management issues.
ANNUAL DEADLINES—February 1 (National Leadership Grants for Libraries) and April 1 (National Leadership Grants for Library and Museum Collaborations)

- Planning for a survey of digitization activities in libraries and museums

IMLS promotes excellence in library and museum services as well as access to those services for a diverse public. Computer-based technologies are powerful tools that help to address these goals, but the status of technology adoption in museums and libraries differs, and a wide variety of activities is taking place in both communities. To improve understanding of technology capacity, digital activities, and high-priority needs, IMLS is undertaking national surveys to characterize computer capabilities and networked status in museums and digital activities in libraries.



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Web-Wise:

A Conference on Libraries and Museums in the Digital World

Attended by 200 representatives of Museums, Libraries and Related Organizations

Sessions:

The Digital Landscape—Where the Good Stuff Lives

Hawaiian and Pacific Historical Images (*University of Hawaii at Manoa*)

The Hoagy Carmichael Collection (*Indiana University*)

Digital Museum Exhibits: Navigating Knowledge and Telling Stories (*Walker Art Center*)

Linking Florida's Natural Heritage (*University of Florida*)

Partnerships: Building Networked Infrastructures

Colorado Digitization Project (*University of Denver*)

Find-It!—Washington State's Government Information Locator Service (*Washington State Library*)

Plant Image Database Project (*Missouri Botanical Garden*)

Management and Searching of Music Collections (*Johns Hopkins University*)

Friendly Users: Involving Users in Digital Libraries

Socially Grounded User Studies in Digital Library Development (*University of Illinois*)

National NetGain (*University of California at Riverside*)

Children Shaping the Future of Digital Libraries (*University of Maryland*)

The Advanced Technology Environmental Education Library (*Eastern Iowa Community College*)

This Old Web: Developing Standards for Digital Library Management, Interoperability and Preservation

Digital Library Management: Technologies and Training (*Samantha Hastings, University of North Texas*)

Opportunities and Challenges for Standards Development (*Priscilla Caplan, State University System of Florida*)

Standards and the Colorado Digitization Project (*Liz Bishoff, Colorado Digitization Project*)

Preserving Cornell's Digital Image Collections (*Ann Kenney, Cornell University*)

Session Chairs and Commenters:

Laura Campbell, *Library of Congress*

Deanna Marcum, *Council on Library and Information Resources*

Ray Ewick, *Indiana State Library*

Don Waters, *Mellon Foundation*

Clifford Lynch, *Coalition for Networked Information*

James Lightbourne, *National Science Foundation*

Rick Weingarten, *American Library Association*



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