



Selecting and Managing Content Captured from the Web: Expanding Curatorial Expertise and Skills in Building Library of Congress Web Archives

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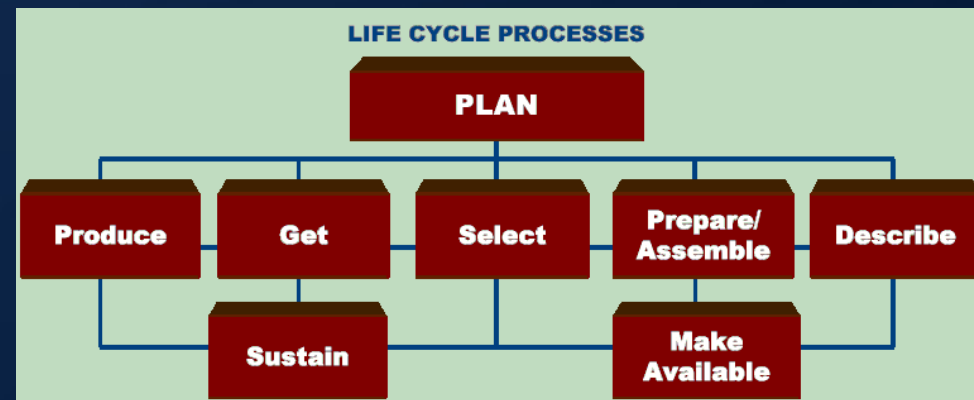
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University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, NC
April 20, 2007

Web Capture at LC

- 2000 to 2003
 - MINERVA: event-based, thematic collecting (Elections, September 11, Iraq War, etc.)
 - Collaborations with Internet Archive, Alexa, WebArchivist.org
- 2004 to today
 - Identify policy issues, establish best practices, build tools (internally and with other international institutions)
 - Broaden expertise and understanding of Web capture (expand from one curator to many)
 - Collect, manage, and sustain at-risk digital content

Selecting and Managing Content Captured from the Web (SMCCW): Major Project Goals

- Define roles and responsibilities for life cycle management of archived Web content (focusing on Plan, Select, and Get life cycle processes)
- Collect at-risk born-digital content
- Document resource requirements and workflow
- Expand staff participation
 - Train larger group of LS staff
 - Learn by doing



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This website catalogues the public statements of U.S. politicians on the genocide in Darfur, and compares what they are *saying*, to what they are actually *doing*. It is our hope that you will use this information to urge those in public office to take meaningful action to stop the genocide, and to hold your leaders accountable should they choose to do nothing.



Those who do not react to gross human rights violations elsewhere and do not act on behalf of the victims become complicitous because they enable the perpetrator to carry out his violation of human rights. Indifferent and ignorant bystanders, who continue their usual work in a reign of terror, can be seen as perpetrators not only because of their activities but because they enable the perpetrators to carry out their violations. The bystanders' silence confirms the perpetrators' faith in what they are doing.

One of 8000 destroyed villages in Darfur

Learn more about the genocide in Darfur [here](#).

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- **McCormack reiterates US "commitment" to "implementation" of DPA**
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LATEST: Humanitarian crisis worsens_

In a crisis, humanitarian aid and political settlement are necessary but not sufficient to prevent genocide. People also need protection.

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Darfur deal by end-year possible but difficult - UN
GENEVA, Dec 2 (Reuters) - An agreement by the end of the year on a sustained ceasefire in Darfur is "possible but difficult", the United Nations' top envoy in Sudan, Jan Pronk, said on Friday.

BBC Radio 4's Today Programme reports on the latest situation in Darfur and interviews the UK Secretary of State for International Development, Hilary .



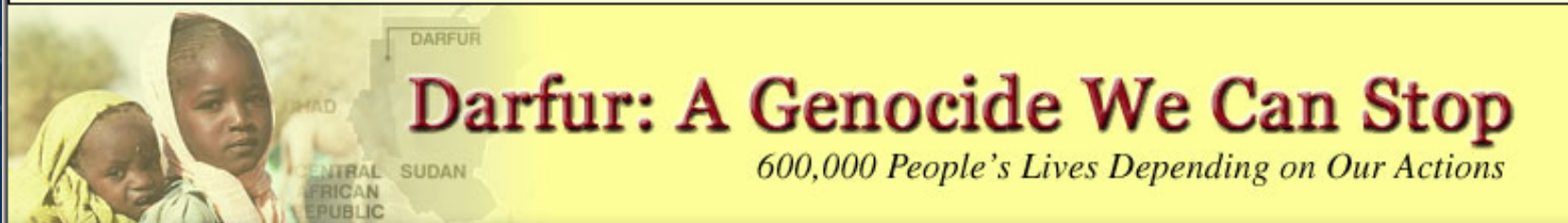
In an interview on BBC's HARDtalk



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The Crime of Our New Century...

The Sudanese Government, using Arab "Janjaweed" militias, its air force, and organized starvation, is systematically killing the black Sudanese of Darfur.



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The picture of the boy killed (left) shows what is happening in Darfur. Over two and a half million people, driven from their homes, now face death from starvation and disease as the Government and militias attempt to prevent humanitarian aid from reaching them. The same

forces have destroyed the people of Darfur's villages and crops, and poisoned their water supplies, and they continue to murder, rape and terrorize.

This site's sole purpose is to try to save lives by helping stop the genocide in Darfur.

It empowers you to take smart, strategic actions to compel those in

Estimated Death Toll in Darfur:

April 20th:

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Message from Bette Midler



Like many of you, I have recently been deeply affected by the terrible suffering of the people of Darfur, Sudan.

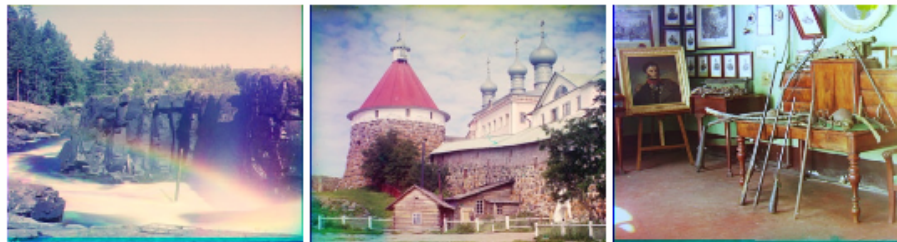
Visual Image: Prokudin-Gorskii Images

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Prokudin-Gorskii Images

Color photographs from the Russian Empire taken a century ago (1909-1915).



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[Sergei Mikhailovich Prokudin-Gorskii](#) was a color photographer before his time, who undertook a photographic survey of the Russian Empire for Tsar Nicholas II. He was able to capture color by taking three pictures of each scene, each with a different red, green or blue color filter. Walter Frankhauser, a photographer contracted by the [Library of Congress](#), manually registered and cleaned up some 120 of the original high-resolution scans, with breathtakingly beautiful results. The results of his effort can be seen at the online-exhibit [The Empire That Was Russia](#).



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Using computer-vision technology to automate the registration process, one can now for the first time view almost the entire collection of the Prokudin-Gorskii photographs in color. The color images on these pages were obtained by automatically registering these three pictures to obtain a color image of each scene. The computer program to do this was written in MATLAB by [Frank Dellaert](#) using computer-vision technology commonly used in 'mosaicking'. By clicking the links on this page you can view thumbnails of the almost 2000 images purchased by the Library of Congress, and each thumbnail is linked to a larger version of the

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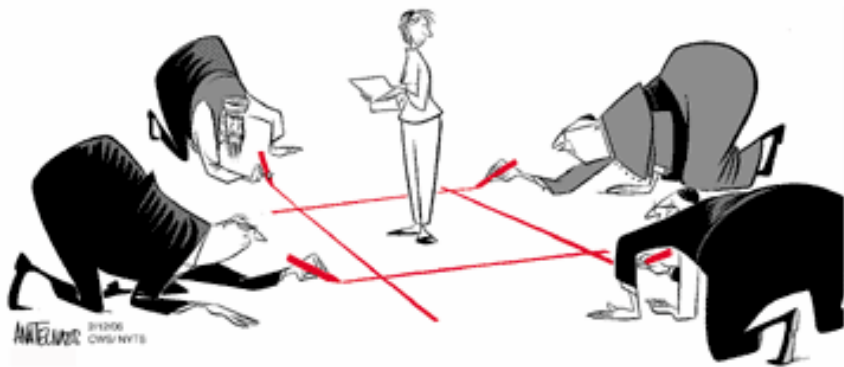
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LS Project: SMCCW

Single Site

Collection Title:

Using sites submitted via TrackER, this group will develop and coordinate a vetting process to determine what types of single-site resources (those not relating to thematic collection activities) to archive.

Collected Websites

- [Curator Homepage](#)
- [Single Site Content Group Web Archive Data](#)

Documentation:

- [Guidelines for Single Sites](#) (Word Perfect)) February 2006
- [Collection Specification](#)
- [Permission Plan](#)
- [June 1, 2006 Meeting](#)
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For More Information

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Single Site: Emerging Nanotechnology

<http://www.nanotechproject.org/>

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Actual (November 2006,KSH)6,4%

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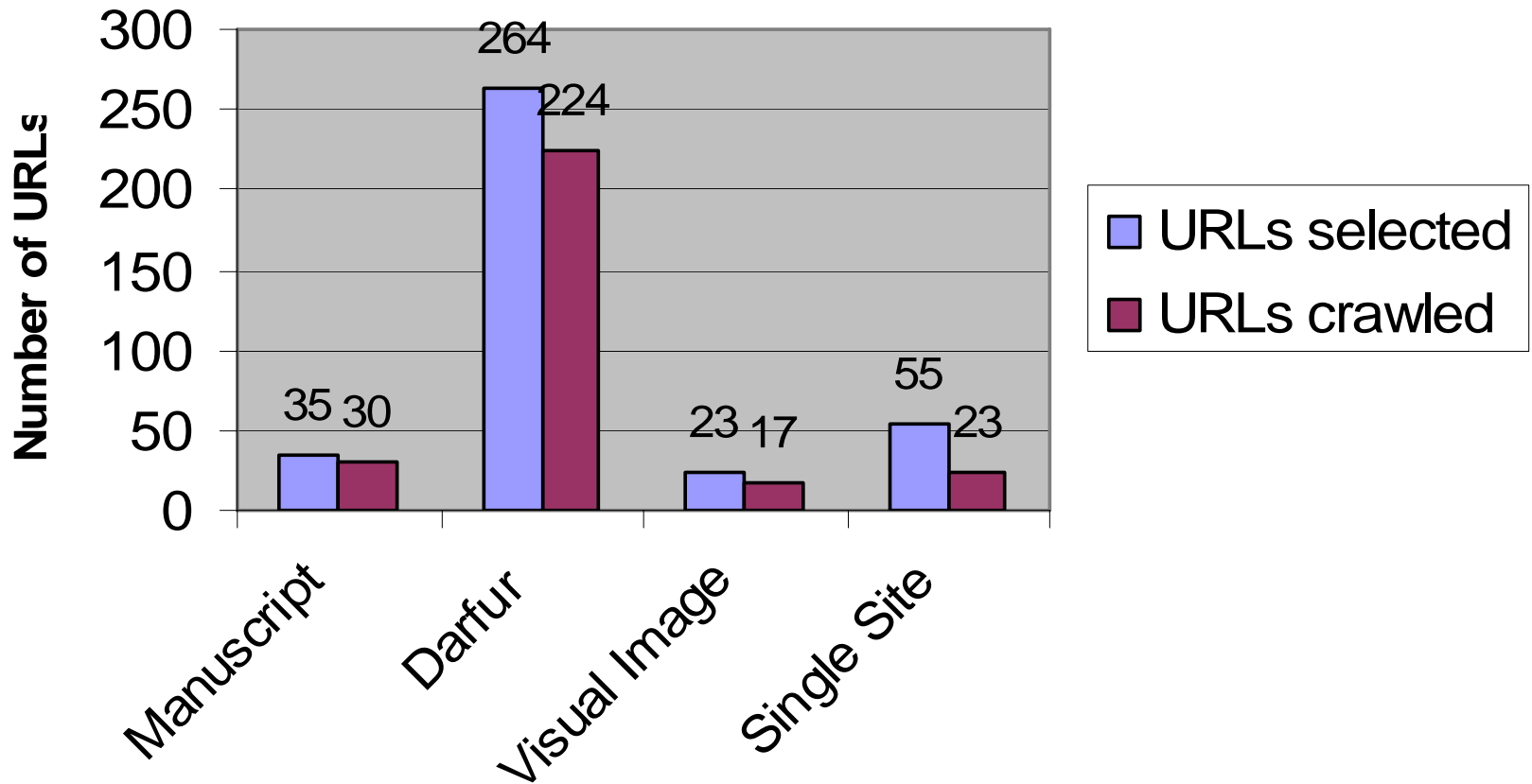
Latest statistical release

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SMCCW Collections: Number of URLs Selected and Crawled Per Project



Workshops and Training

- Workshops
 - Selection
 - Technology (Crawling, scoping, and QR)
 - Copyright and permissions
 - Access tools
- Training
 - Nomination/permissions tool (“Leaderboard”)
 - Quality Review – how to evaluate crawled content

Selection Workshop

- How do traditional selection policies and best practices fit Web content?
- What do we collect? What is the scope?
 - Size of collection, start and end dates, frequency, depth, breadth
 - Non-thematic/“Single site” archiving
- How do the technical aspects of the Web affect selection criteria?
- What skills do the curators need to develop, what training is required?

Technology Workshop: Crawling, Scoping, Quality Review, and Other Issues

- Introduction to basic concepts, terms, and definitions
- Overview of existing tools for capturing and viewing Web archives. What are their limitations?
- What does it mean to do quality review on a Web archive? Who reviews what?
- How much information is too much information?

Copyright and Permissions Workshop

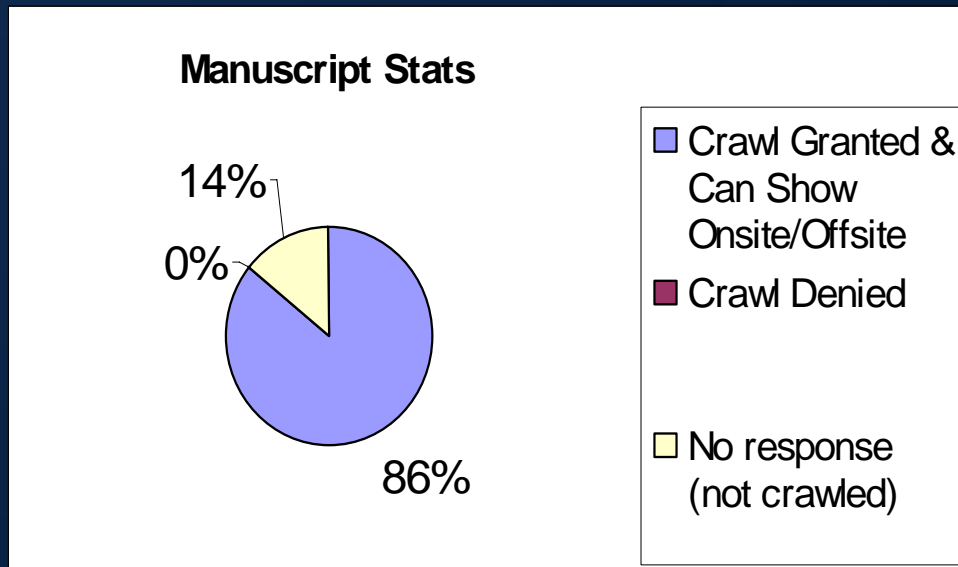
- LC does not currently have the legal authority to capture
- Permissions planning
 - Roles and responsibilities
 - LS/Recommenders: contact identification and mailing
 - OSI/Web capture team: permissions support and tools
 - Questions from site owners: LS and OSI staff
 - What permission request is sent to what type of site (crawl vs. display)
- Research and Mailing of Permissions
 - Finding reliable contact information harder than expected
 - Significant time commitment for a good response rate
 - Typically 2 to 10 min. per URL, sometimes 30 min. to an hour. Extreme cases sometimes took more research time.
 - Second and third attempts sometimes tried when no response received

Other Training

- Workshop on access tools
- “Lessons Learned” Workshop
- Instruction in using the Leaderboard tool
- Quality review training

Manuscript Division Archive of Organizational Web Sites

- Collection period: April – November 2006
- Frequency: Monthly
- URLs recommended: 35
- URLs collected: 30 (much higher if LWV sites are counted)



MSS Project Timeline

- July 2005 -Team assembled to reflect different sections
- August 2005 - Kick-off meeting of joint OSI-LS project
- Early Fall 2005 - Training, test sites, permissions plan, and selection criteria
- November 2005 - Meeting with chief and specialists
- Early Winter - Permissions plan and selections finalized
- March 2006 - Permission letters mailed
- April 2006 - Crawls begin
- June and August 2006 - Detailed quality review
- November 2006 - Crawls concluded
- December 2006 - Analysis and feedback

Key Tasks

- Appraising and selecting Web sites
- Securing permissions
- Conducting quality review
- These project tasks reflect the Manuscript Division's existence in a larger institutional setting where it benefits from strong technical support provided by other offices

Knowledge and Skills for Appraising and Selecting Web Sites

- Subject expertise in American history
- Skill at appraising and organizing paper records
- Knowledge of organizational missions and histories
- Experience navigating the Web and evaluating information found there
- Understanding how Web sites are constructed
- Training in selecting seed URLs and recognizing the crawler's limitations

Appraisal Considerations

- Sparked useful discussions about electronic media among staff
- Decisions tied to existing policies and holdings
- Evaluated potential research value of each site
- Took into account our relationship to the donor
- Analyzed how a Web site complemented, duplicated, or expanded information in the organization's paper-based records at LC
- Considered significance of an organization's activities in relation to the division's overall documentation strategies

MSS: National Urban League

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Recovery Less Than Impressive One Year After Katrina, Urban League Report Shows
- ♦ **New York, Aug 23, 2006**
National Urban League President Calls Upon Political Parties to Hold 2008 Conventions In Storm-Torn New Orleans
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<http://www.ncjw.org/>

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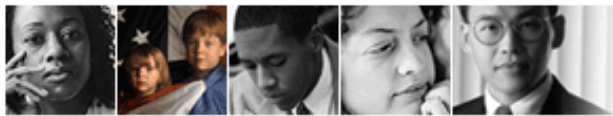
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NEWS

May 22 — Annual Memorial Day Observance at The Wall
Thousands of veterans, families, friends and visitors will come to the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on May 29 for the annual Memorial Day Observance at The Wall at 1:00 p.m. During the ceremony, the four names recently added to The Wall will become "official." The featured speaker will be William P. Frank and singer/songwriter Jimmy Fortune will perform "More Than a Name on The Wall." [Read the Press Release](#); [View Webcast](#)

May 16 — Names to be Added to The Wall
The names of four American servicemen will be inscribed on the black granite walls of the Vietnam Veterans Memorial next week. Work will begin on Tuesday, May 16, and a ceremony will be held for the press to witness the addition of one of the names on Thursday, May 18. These additions will bring the number of names on The Wall to 58,253 men and women who were killed in Vietnam or remain missing in action. [Read the Press Release](#)

May 10 — Mother's Day at The Wall
Mothers whose children served and sacrificed in the Vietnam War and other military conflicts will be honored at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial this Sunday. The American Gold Star Mothers, American War Mothers and the Girl Scouts of the Nation's Capital will be participating in the ceremony scheduled to begin at 9 a.m. [Read the Media Advisory](#)

April 6 — American Heroes to be Honored Posthumously
Eighty-six American heroes will be honored posthumously during the 8th annual *In Memory* Day ceremony, being held at the Vietnam Veterans Memorial on April 17. The ceremony will begin at

Offerings at The Wall

Receive this beautifully photographed book of remembrances left at The Wall with your generous donation of \$75 or more. (*This offer only applies to online donations and while supplies last*)

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The Wall That Heals

The Wall That Heals will stop in Marion, IN (100 Block of S. Adams Street) June 1-4. View the [2006 Schedule](#) to see if the exhibit will be stopping near you this year.

Webcasts

The Memorial Fund has partnered with TVWorldwide.com to webcast many of its major events, including ceremonies at The Wall and teachers' conferences.

MSS: Historical Society of the District of Columbia Circuit

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The Society's Oral History Program preserves the recollections of judges, lawyers, and others who have helped to shape the history of the Circuit. Recorded interviews, later transcribed, capture the voices, inflections, insights, and stories of the very people who know most intimately how the courts have functioned and developed over the years. Photographs of many of the subjects are also available.

Conducted by volunteer attorneys trained by the Program, oral history interviews provide anecdotal information about family relationships and backgrounds, personal observations about career histories and interactions with colleagues, reflections on the times, comments on law practice and significant court decisions, the administration of justice, life in the courts of the D.C. Circuit, and lessons learned from lifetimes in the law.

An invaluable resource for historians and students of legal process and the administration of justice, the completed oral histories are maintained in the Judges' Library at the E. Barrett Prettyman U.S. Courthouse, the Manuscript Reading Room of the Library of Congress, and the Historical Society of Washington, D.C. ([See list of completed histories.](#)) Some of the histories are available on this site. Additional histories will be added to the site as they are completed.



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*Dr. Walter A. Wood,
President of the American
Geographical Society (1963)*

"There is no ground

"Frederick Cook remains as one of the most perceptive as well as the most vilified of polar explorers...Cook had made a discovery that no amount of humiliation could take from him and one that only the most fortunate and observant of arctic explorers ever learned."

*Robert McGhee,
"The Last Imaginary Place: A Human History of the Arctic World"
Oxford University Press, 2005*

Dr. McGhee is curator of Arctic Archeology at the Canadian Museum of Civilization and Massey Medalist of the Royal Canadian Geographical Society



MSS: Sigmund Freud Archives

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Aug. 17, 2006
NACDL Press Release

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Spotlight:

Esther Dyson on "A Virtualist Tours the World: The Internet and the Emergence of Democracy"

Esther Dyson, longtime analyst of the IT and Internet worlds and author of the blog "Release 0.9," addressed the topic, "A Virtualist Tours the World: The Internet and the Emergence of Democracy," at the **New York Democracy Forum** on Nov. 27.



Saad Eddin Ibrahim on *Toward Islamic Democracies*

Toward Islamic Democracies was the topic for the Third Annual **Seymour Martin Lipset Lecture on Democracy in the World**, delivered by Dr. Saad Eddin Ibrahim on Nov 1. [[more...](#)]

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Jorge Castañeda, former Foreign Minister of Mexico and renowned public

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Watch the Oct. 26 panel on **Electoral Systems and Democracy: What Have we Learned?**.

"The Darkness Spreading Over Russia", by **Carl Gershman**. *Washington Post*, Oct. 21, 2006.

Listen to the **Anna Politkovskaya Memorial**, held Oct. 12, 2006.

Permissions Process

- Mailed personalized form letters to 33 of the 35 organizations; 20 responded positively after receiving the first letter
- Eventually received permission from 28 of the 33 we contacted by letter and 2 whom we contacted by form email
- Total of 30 of 35 sites or 86.6% responded; compares favorably to typical 30% rate
- Sending individualized permission requests was time-consuming and likely not scalable, but important for us as a donor relations tool

Conducting Quality Review

- Core project team received training but not the subject specialists
- Crawls captured both more and less than expected
- Crawling instructions cannot easily exclude parts of a Web site
- Common problems were missing text, broken links, links that go outside the crawled version to the live Web, and content captured but not accessible via the Wayback Machine

Improving Staff Involvement in QR

- Confirmed the need for quality review to be undertaken within the division as well as by the technical support team
- Questions remain about how best to implement and routinize that review
- Possible reasons for uneven results include unclear expectations; lack of time; lack of proofreading or editorial skills; limited technical understanding; and greater acceptance of errors
- Checklists, more training, and single point person needed

Conclusions and Next Steps

- Despite lingering questions about costs, workflow, and technology, interest remains high and benefits are notable
- SMCCW project successfully increased expertise and understanding of Web capture throughout the Library
- Significant progress made in resolving curation issues in three stages of the digital life cycle—PLAN, GET, and SELECT
- More work needed on the other stages, particularly DESCRIBE, MAKE AVAILABLE, and SUSTAIN
- Likely expansion of Single Site project will provide opportunities for more staff training, skill development, and study of additional issues

For More Information

- Public Web Capture site:
<http://www.loc.gov/webcapture/>

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