The "Out and In" of Digital Collections

Statewide Access and Preservation Platforms

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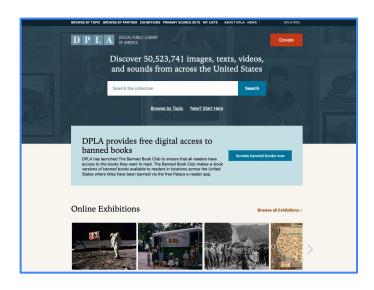
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The Three-Legged Stool Model



Access: A Tale of Two Websites



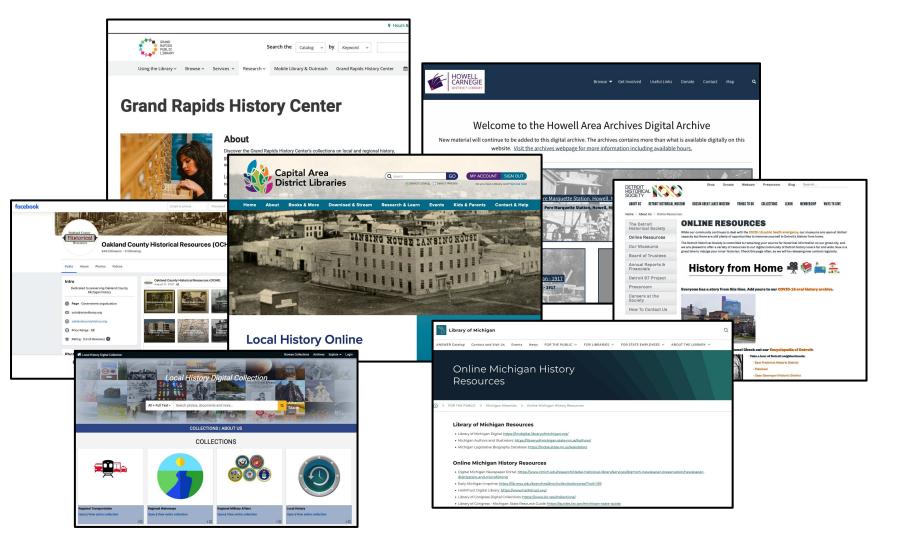


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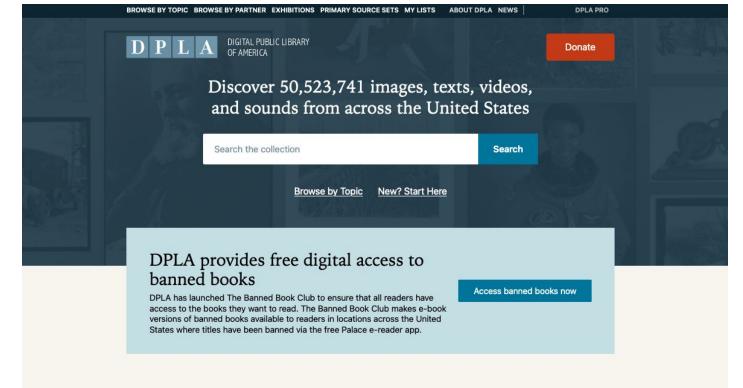
Michigan Memories

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https://michmemories.org/



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The Content Hubs



















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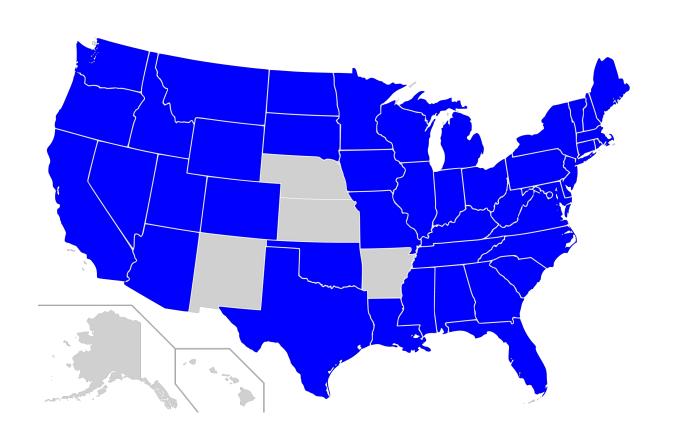
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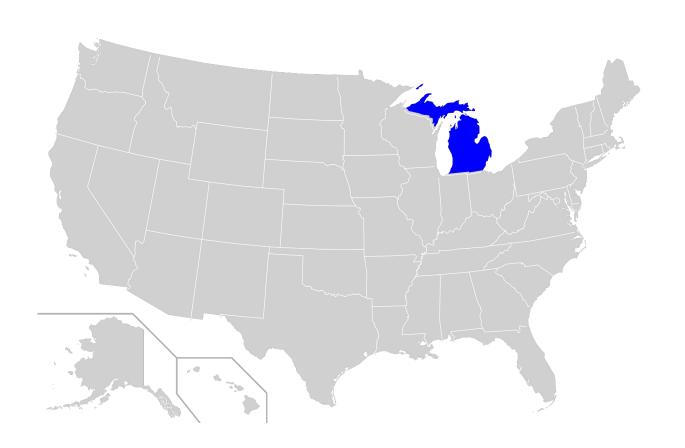




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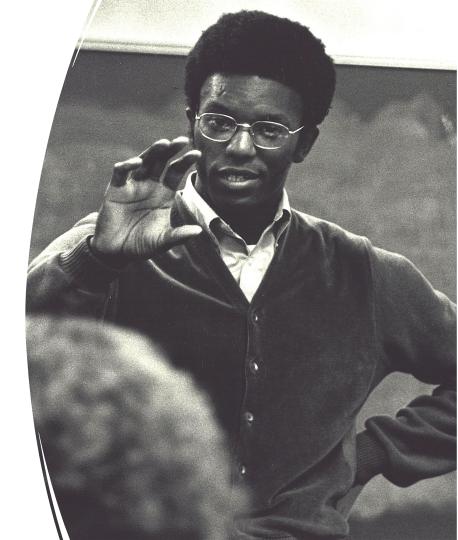


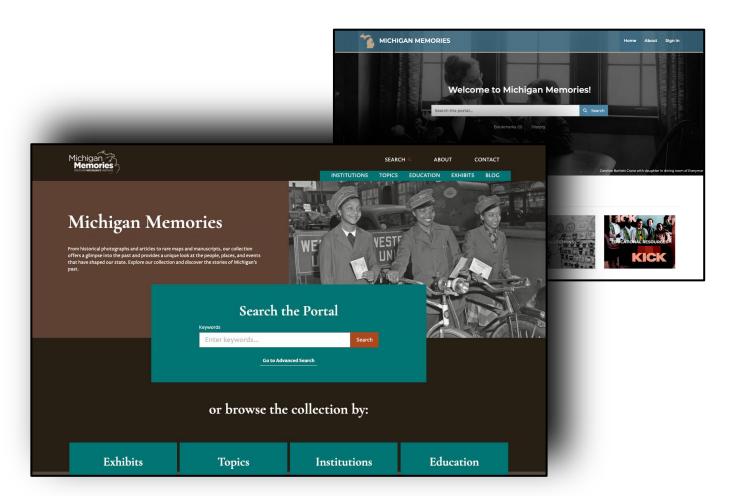




Three Important Points

- The Michigan Service Hub works with the DPLA but is an independent, Michigan-based project.
- Institutions that share their collections with Michigan Memories and the DPLA are only sharing metadata, not collections themselves.
- Both the DPLA and the Michigan Service Hub advocate for metadata to be in the public domain.





https://michmemories.org/

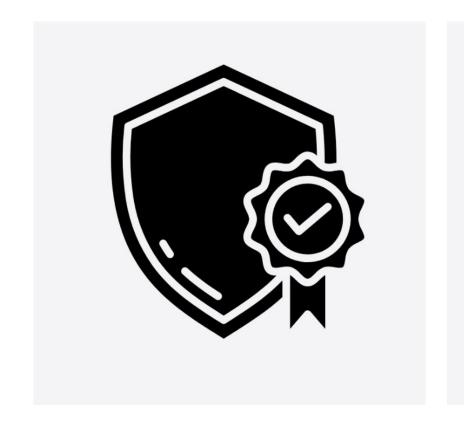
What is Digital Preservation?

"Digital preservation is the **series of managed activities** necessary to ensure **continued access** to **digital materials** for as **long as necessary**."

The Digital Preservation Handbook, Digital Preservation Coalition

- "Series of Managed Activities" This tells us that digital preservation is an ongoing process and not a one-off, set-it-and-forget-it task. Digital preservation requires a variety of actions to be done to our preserved content to verify its authenticity and integrity over time, and that we need to be proactive and systematic about how we approach those actions.
- **"Continued Access" -** The ultimate aim of digital preservation is less about simply providing a backup of our digital content and more about maintaining long-term access to digital materials, in spite of technological or organizational change.
- "As Long as Necessary" This means that we don't always need to preserve everything forever! The length of time will depend it may be a few years in line with regulatory requirements or it may mean in perpetuity (like for cultural memory materials).

What is Digital Preservation?





What is the MPDN?

The Michigan Digital Preservation
Network is a membership-based,
collaborative initiative that seeks to
provide cultural memory organizations
of all sizes and resource-levels access
to digital preservation services and
expertise.



Both a <u>service</u> and a <u>community</u>

What is the MDPN workflow?

DART	Pre-process/Staging	LOCKSS
Digital Archivists Resource Tool	MDPN Staging Server	Lots of Copies Keeps Stuff Safe
	Scans for viruses	
Packages and validates		Free & open-source software
content according to the BagIt		
standard		Five locally-controlled,
		geographically-distributed
Simple drag-and-drop		servers
interface		
		Polls prove the authenticity
		and integrity of content

Why is this important?

- Digital Access helps your institution find new audiences who might not be aware your institution exists.
- Sharing your collection metadata with Michigan Memories and the DPLA means your collections will be included in statewide and nationwide searches.
- When a user takes a particular interest in one of your collections as a result of a search on Michigan Memories or the DPLA, the result will be more traffic for your institution's website.

Digital Preservation protects your investments against risks...

- Natural disasters
- Hardware failure
- Obsolescence
- Ransomware
- Political/legal costs

...and is a larger part of being a good collections steward!

How can you get involved?

Contact us to learn more about joining our organizations and our broader community of practice!

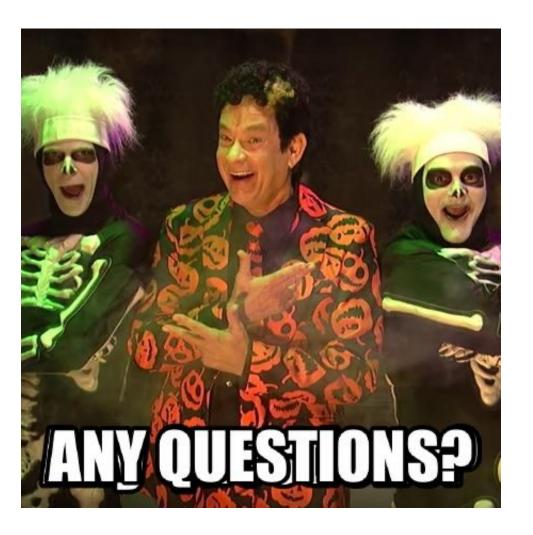
Attend a monthly Virtual Office Hours to share challenges or ask questions. Scan the QR code to learn more





Invite us to speak to your staff, board, or co-op about digital access or digital preservation!

Apply for the MDPN storage grant for digital collections that are at-risk or share stories of underrepresented communities! Scan the QR code (over there) to learn more.



Thank You!

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