

2013 Minutes

November 2013

November 20th in Olin 703

Agenda:

- Liaisons and VR promotion (Kaila, Marsha)
- VRA National Conference -- Who will attend? (All)
- Upcoming conferences (All)
- A&S and AAP Grants updates
- Subgroup activities and initiatives (All)
- Brochures update
- 3-D files

October 2013

October 16th meeting was canceled.

September 2013

September 18th in Olin 703

Agenda:

- VRWG Brochures- Kaila, Danielle, and Susette have agreed to take on getting brochures updated (in line with the VRWG bookmarks). Need to make sure that any URL's listed continue to function/redirect with the library site redesign. Susette 'has the keys' to images.library.cornell.edu
- Makerspaces- There have been discussions about makerspaces in relation to the tech campus planning. There are individuals who are interested in these types of spaces in CUL, on campus and in the community. CU doesn't have central space/service point; schools/departments are each meeting this need separately. Kaila went on a site visit to the Fayetteville Free Library makerspace. Jenn Colt is involved with Ithaca Generator (<http://ithacagenerator.org/>). Roberta is tuned into what a number of departments are doing on campus. Kaila and Marsha are considering putting together a brown bag to introduce folks to the concept of makerspaces.
- Pictor Migration Update- Jason, Hannah, and Steven reviewed a mapping of Pictor metadata in an early version of Shared Shelf's complex cataloging tool. The mapping and tool itself showed a lot of promise. There will be another round of review soon.
- Digital Collections and Discovery- DNA begins discussing how to get the metadata in the Discovery environment this week. DNA will be getting in touch with folks as issues come up, whether we can use thumbnails, IP issues with the metadata, impacts to the library homepage, etc.

August 2013

August 21 meeting is **CANCELED**.

July 2013

July 17 in Olin 703, 11-12

In attendance: Steven, Roberta, Hannah, Marsha, Eisha, Marcie, Mira, Kaila.

Agenda:

- Welcome to our new RMC members (Eisha & Marcie)
- Brief roundtable for ALL our newer VRWG members of what we do at CUL
- ~~Classroom AV survey (classroom types, scored classrooms for av)~~ (Roberta)
- Uris Art Collection: Scope of project, status of online collection (Susette, if she can attend)- began with faculty driven initiative to inventory campus art collection. There was a faculty grant to ocr a print inventory, to populate a Sharedshelf collection. SU ischool intern (Pamela) did a lot of research to bolster the metadata and photograph the collection.
- 3D Printing Updates (Marsha and Martha, if she can attend)- Tuesday, July 23 at 9 am, a demo of a 3D printer in the Rand Hall shop (first floor of Rand Hall) led by Frank Parish. Room for 12 VRWG members to attend. Academic technologies also has a 3d printer.
- Announcements (All)
 - Roberta- working with Mickey Cassad, brainstorming on technologies assist students with teaching. Academic Technologies is supporting a faculty driven call for MOOC development, four faculty were selected to get help developing courses.

June 2013

June 15 in Olin 703, 11-12

In attendance: Hannah, Boris, Martha, Marsha, Steven, Roberta, Susette, Mira, Danielle

Agenda:

- Wiki Sub-group updates (Steven): Steven updated the child pages on the wiki according to the group's activities
- AAP Grants Pilot Project (Marsha): AAP will pilot a grant project akin to the A&S grant project, but the small amount of funding will come from the library rather than the college. Marsha is preparing a call for applicants, which will be distributed to the department in late August with a deadline for submitting applications in collaboration with DCAPS for October. The execution of grant project or projects will start in January.
- Strategic document on streaming A/V (Marsha)
- Discussion of 3-D Printer demo for CUL staff, co-sponsored by FAL and VRWG Public Services (Marsha)
- Announcements (All)

May 2013

May 15 in Olin 703, 11-12

In attendance: Kaila, Mira, Liz, Boris, Jason, Hannah, Steven, Marsha

Agenda:

- Updates: Moving LUNA server in the beginning of June, where images can be uploaded directly. Archivision module 7 in Shared Shelf and 8 will be available this summer. Why are the modules for Archivision separate in ARTstor and Shared Shelf? It makes sense that they would be purchased separately, but do they need to remain divided in the databases?
- New Adobe subscription model (Steven): SF will touch base with Desktop Services. Advantages of this new model include potentially more frequent updates (keeping up with CS3 has been a problem), software is never out of date, could mean more access. Disadvantages include that it will likely be more expensive and will require Internet. Streaming models are becoming the way of the future.
- Images in Discovery and Access (Steven): Public services people working with images will be involved (Kaila, Susette and Marsha). When they have something to see it will be brought to VRWG for feedback. New catalog should accommodate images of all types and will have a better algorithm than Summon.
- VRWG Brown Bags: Brainstorming and Assessment (Kaila and Marsha): Lunchtimes are not the best for everyone. Not much news regarding Kaltura, but come the spring Tre and a new hire could discuss AV. Jason suggested that Danielle might speak about the cross-campus AV report. Other topics: Digital archiving, eCommons, images in the new catalog, possibly involve the museum. The Brown Bags could potentially be co-facilitated with another CUL group, such as Metadata or Instruction. Kaila and Marsha will discuss sending out a message to the VRWG listserv to get suggestions for additional topics.
- Cornell representation at VR committees regionally and nationally (Marsha)
- Kaila reported on LOEX conference workshop: "Make it Pop: Integrating Information Literacy into Your Teaching "Songbook," and making students (and librarians) more visually literate.

April 2013

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Agenda:

- ATC's 2013 eText and Authoring Primer (Roberta), written as an R&D piece, now considering how to translate for an external audience. Considering creating a picker? Website? Need to understand the need better, come up with use cases. Possibly come with questions for faculty to build use cases (Jaron, Roberta, and others are going to meet outside of VRWG)
- Collections in Luna, ARTstor, Sharedshelf (Jason and Danielle) Promotion to date it has been up to curator, occasional Chronicle articles, etc. DCAPS is going to do a new quarterly digest. Choosing a platform is complex because of different collections requirements, e.g. currently multimedia support is not great in Sharedshelf. We continue to cross pollenate collections in SharedShelf, ARTstor, ARTstor Commons as appropriate. Registry of Digital Collections could be the place to keep track of where collections are available, but we would need to revive the tool (which is unstable, at best).

March 2013

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Agenda:

- Updating the VRWG web presence and print materials (Steven and Marsha -- What we've identified should be done and what do you think?): We need to figure out which pages are public and note which projects are ongoing and which have been completed. Nothing should be deleted. Perhaps we should eventually include an ARTstor workflow as we have with Luna. We looked at the Visual Resources page from the catalog (<http://www.library.cornell.edu/visualresources/tools/>) and we will examine the language with the Usability group with a cognitive walk-through. Danielle suggested that we explore what our peer institutions are doing.
- Ideas for VR (Marsha)
- SWANK information (Marsha)
- When will Sharedshelf be publicized/announced to CUL?
- Would be good to reinstate collection announcements -- more discussion on protocol.

February 2013

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Canceled

January 2013

January 16 in Olin 703, 11-12

In attendance: Boris Michev, Mira Basara, Liz Muller, Jason Kovari, Steven Folsom and Marsha Taichman

Agenda:

- 2013 Goals (See <http://staffweb.library.cornell.edu/node/810> for the original charges of VRWG). We discussed whether were we going to be a working group and/or a public group/outreach/information sharing. Consensus seemed to be on information sharing forum, (technical information, public services, outreach).
- Possible projects- Review and update our web presence and print materials (VRWG website, wiki, image database list, print material; liaison between curators and communications as new collections are unveiled, branding collection homepages from the DRC Image Collections (Danielle and Melissa would need to be involved)
- Membership- The group decided to focus membership on CUL and Museums, perhaps touch base with those who haven't been seen in a while.
- Brown Bags for 2013- We have a couple topics (maps, image resources and data visualization). Marsha and Kaila would love more topics VRWG members for consideration, even if said members aren't interested in presenting themselves.
- vrwg-l: Should anyone else monitor this? Danielle oversees the list. Marsha makes referrals when appropriate.
- Updates (Kaltura, etc.)- Kaltura was unveiled in November- 3 users have been set up, mostly for investigating the platform. Artstor- latest release was lacking acceptable new multi-media functionality, trying integrate Sharedshelf and Kaltura, working on mapping to Sharedshelf, still need to go through ARTstor for building new collections. History pin- we've uploaded some images, search "Abolitionist Map of America" on the PBS site.