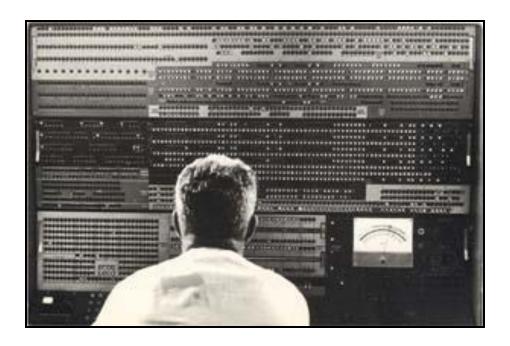
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March 16, 2005 Kirsten Tashev



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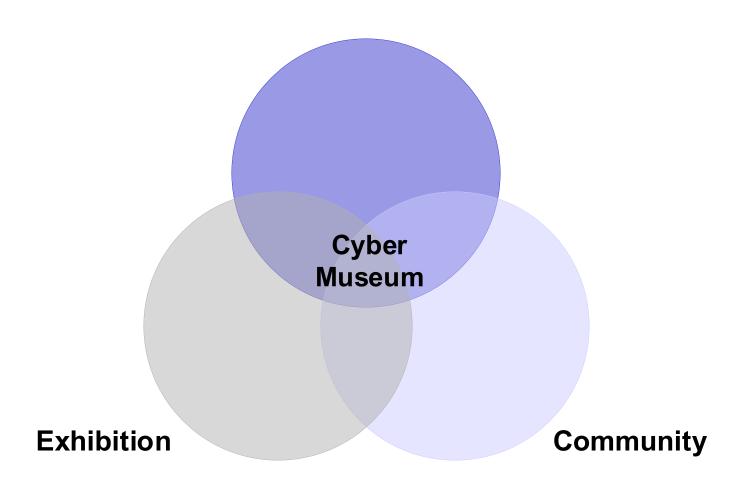


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Cyber Collection

Collection





Audience

Internal

Museum staff and volunteers

External

Researchers

Hobbyists

Press

Prior art lawyers

Teachers/high school students

General public



Best Practices

Western States Digital Standards Group

California Digital Library Museum & Online Archive

California State Library Scanning Standards

Million Book Project

Library of Congress

National Archives



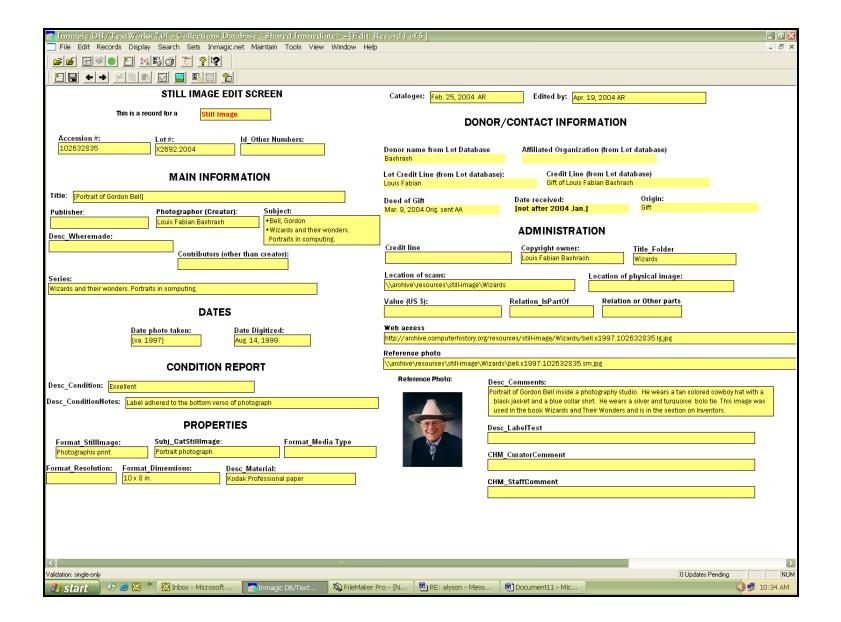
Standards

Dublin Core:

Author, Designer, Photographer, Title Artist, Architect, etc. Creator **Subject Description** Publisher, Manufacturer, etc. **Publisher** Contributor **Date** Text **Resource Type** Physical Object **Format Image** Indentifier Software Sound Source Dataset Language Interactive Relation Service Coverage Collection **Rights**



Database/Catalog





Standards

- The purpose of the Cyber Collection is to provide access to the CHM Collection and not to create highly accurate reproductions.
- Original paper will remain the archival form
- Though digitization of the document collection will minimize wear and tear, the primary goal is to provide access and legibility.

Digitization Goals:

| Image Description | CHM Minimum (Interim) CHM Best Practice | | |
|--------------------|---|---------|--|
| Alphanumeric text | 300 ppi | 300 ppi | |
| Handwritten text | 300 ppi | 600 ppi | |
| Schematic Drawings | 300 ppi | 600 ppi | |
| Illustrations | 300 ppi | 600 ppi | |
| Photographs | 300 ppi | 600 ppi | |



Asset Archive

Archive Folder Structure by Resource Type

- still_image photograph collection (tiff files)
- moving_image video collection (dv files)
- circle compared by the compared by the circle compared by the circle
- text document collection (pdf files)
- software software collection (exe. files and other)

File Name Metadata - Google Search

[manufacturer].[machine or object name or person or event].[accession #].ext

examples:

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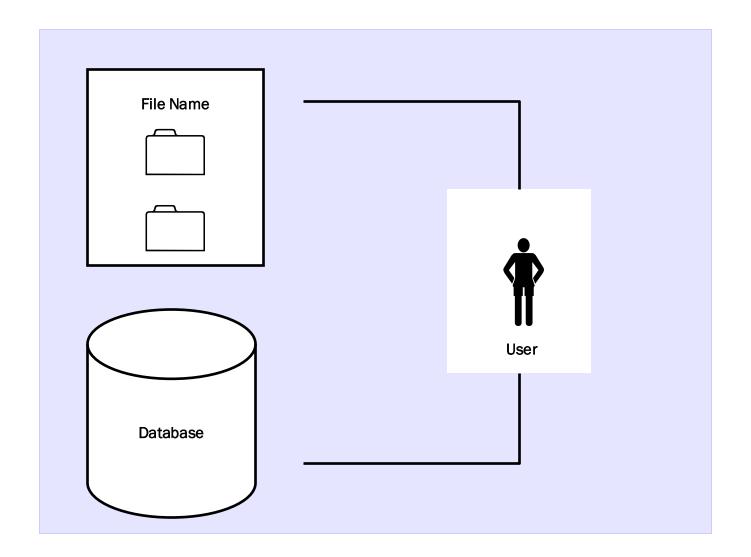
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dec.pdp-1.principals_of_operation.1964.102525403.pdf



Search/Access





Database Specs

Inmagic – "Textbase" with ODBC

- Client Server Windows Application
- Multi-User collections management
- Library centric schemas
 - Simple table structures
 - Non-relational data
 - Common shared fields (Dublin Core) between collections
- Integrated simple Web Publishing
- Upgrade to SQL version Summer '05

MySQL

- Web based databases
- Relational structures for exhibits
- Ties many collections and records together
- Used to build thematic tools and organize data



CHM Collection



Artifacts
Photographs
Documents
Moving Images
Software



Artifacts



Goal:

Access to 1,000 artifact images by Jul '05

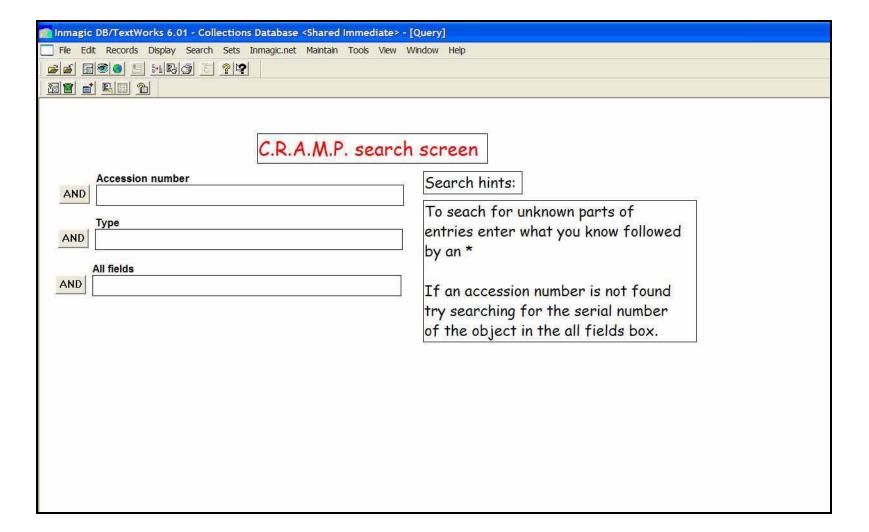
Status:

3,000 objects inventoried and photographed to date

Live access to database launched in Fall '04

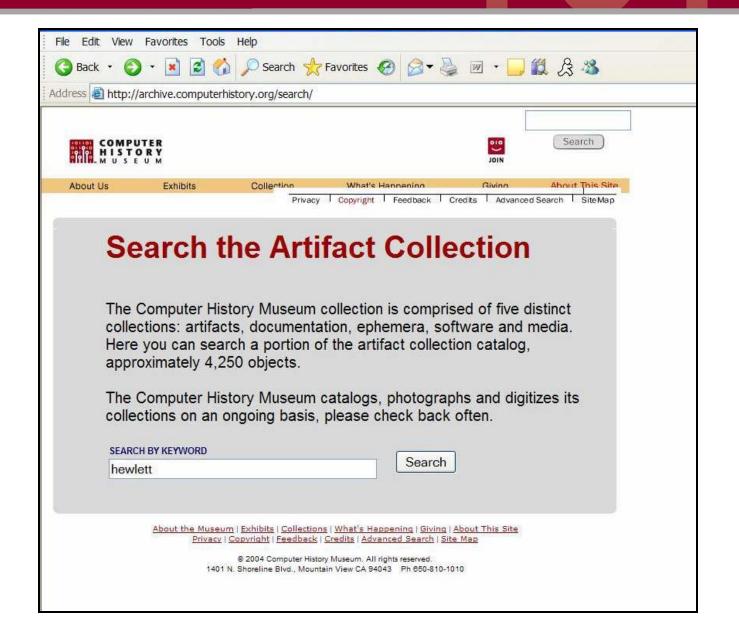


Artifacts



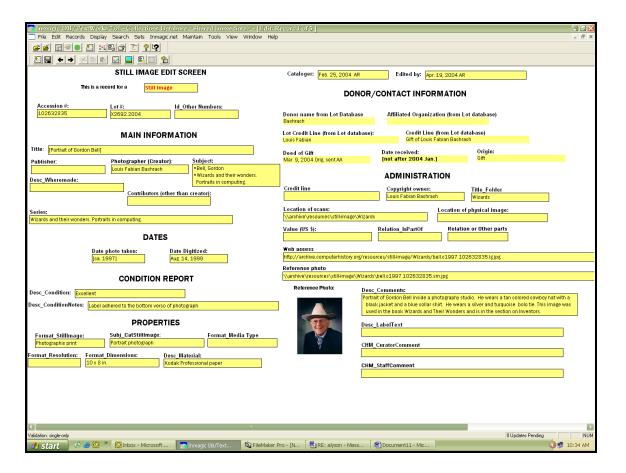


Artifacts





Photographs



Goal:

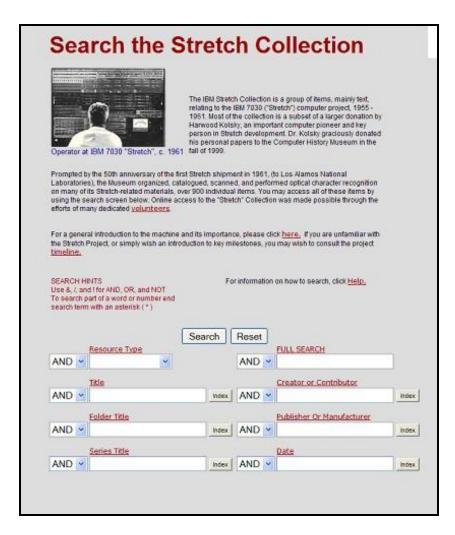
Prototype online access to all 1,000 scanned images in March '05

Status:

1000 images catalog and scanned



Documents - Project 'Stretch'



Goal:

Prototype online access to document collection

Status:

Launched in Summer '04

Findings:

Curatorial layer improves access



Documents - Stretch







Full Title *

Previous Record

Next Record

New Search





Record 20 of 22

[Stretch system assembly line]. [Still Image, All] / . Computer History Museum, 102635780.

Category:

Digital Image; Snapshot

Folder Title:

Stretch

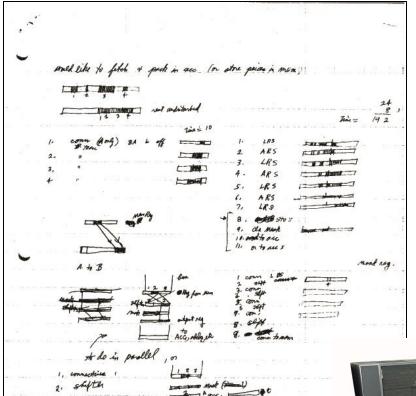
Description:

K2 Stretch system assembly line at IBM's Kingston, New York facility on its way to Aldermaston, England

Powered by DB/Text WebPublisher, from INMAGIC



Documents - Stretch



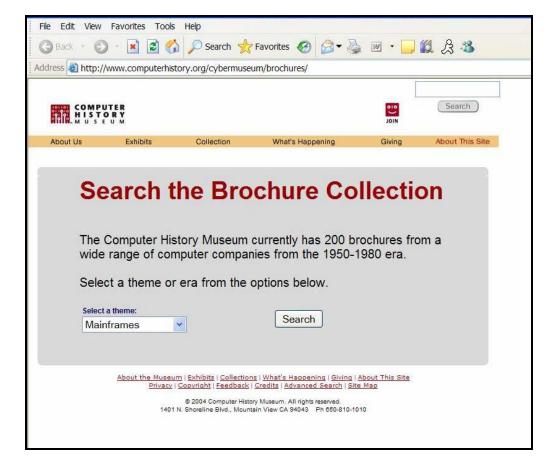
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Documents - 200 Brochures



Goals:

Create standard tools and training materials for cataloguing and scanning

Prototype an improved web interface, including curatorial layer

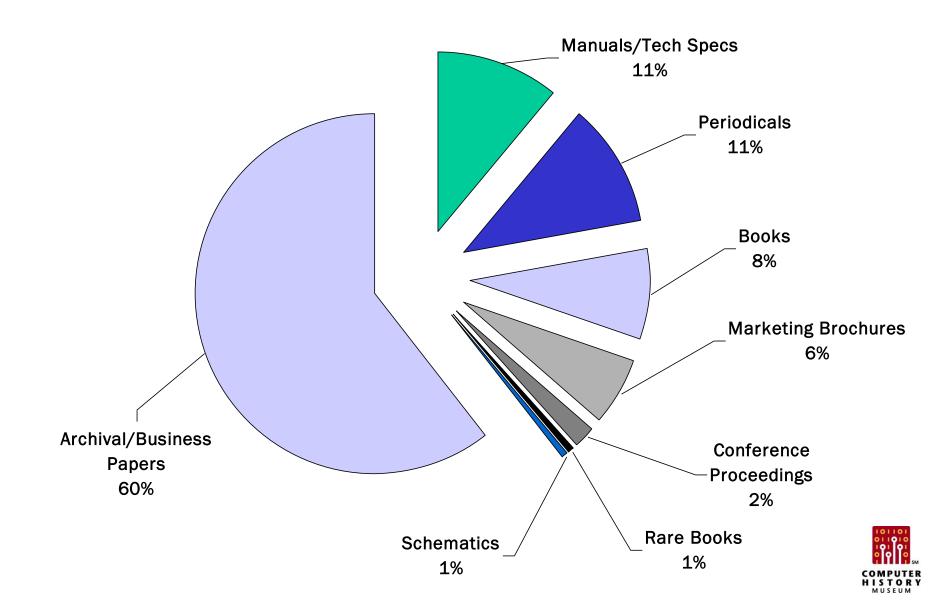
Launch July 2005

Status:

Training materials/equip in place 3 interns/3 volunteers trained Cataloguing/scanning underway



Document Survey



Documents

Survey Results

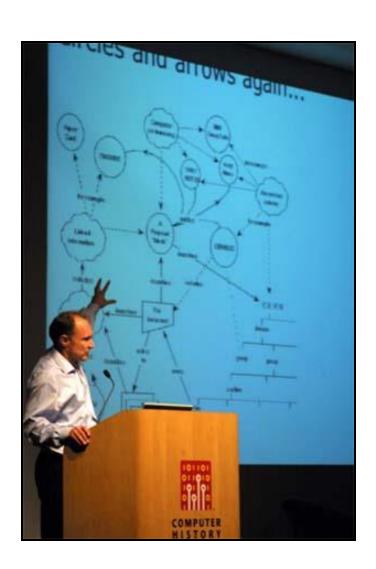
| Туре | Quantity | Percent Destructive | Online Access |
|--------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Books (ISBN) | 1,000 (83 lf) | 20% | Item level |
| Rare Books | 200 (17 lf) | 0% | Highlights |
| Manuals/Tech Specs | 2,000 (167 lf) | 20% | Item level |
| Periodicals | 100 linear feet | 50% | Item level |
| Conference Proceedings | 100 linear feet | 50% | Item level |
| Marketing Brochures | 100 linear feet | 5% | Highlights |
| Archival/Business Papers | 350 linear feet | 0% | Finding aid/Highlights |
| Schematics | 20 linear feet | 0% | Highlights |

Total linear feet: 3,794 (approx)

If = linear feet



Moving Images



Goal:

Catalog entire collection, digitize 50 historic films and stream all oral histories by June '06

Status:

Legacy Filemaker database converted to Inmagic (not complete)



Software



Goals:

Catalog entire collection by Fall '05

Transcode 20% by Jun '06

Develop prototype user contributed archive by Jun '06

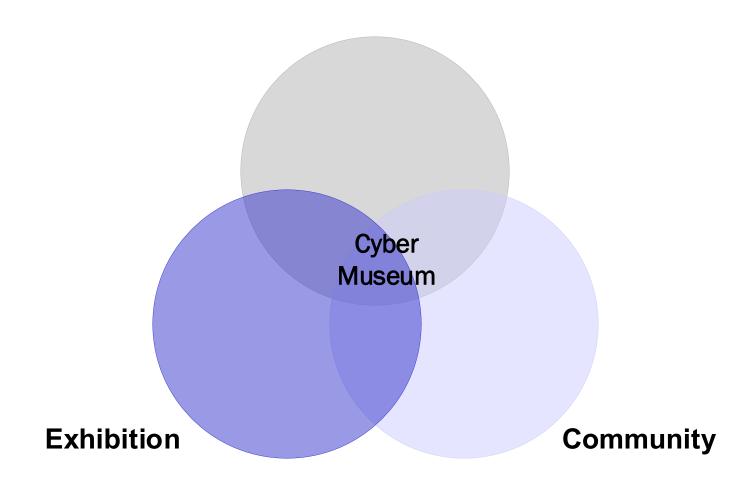
Status:

Draft Data-dictionary and Taxonomy



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Exhibitions

Online display of our viewable collection in Visible Storage







Exhibitions



History of Chess Software Online Component

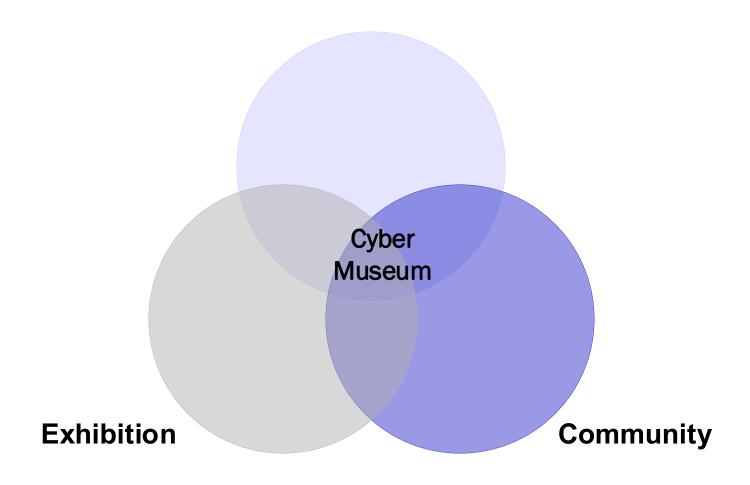
Goal:

To create a complementary online exhibit which provides access to additional exhibit content as well as related original source material



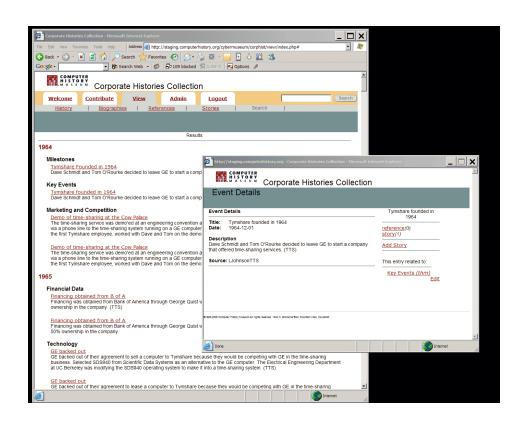
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Corporate Histories Project



Goals:

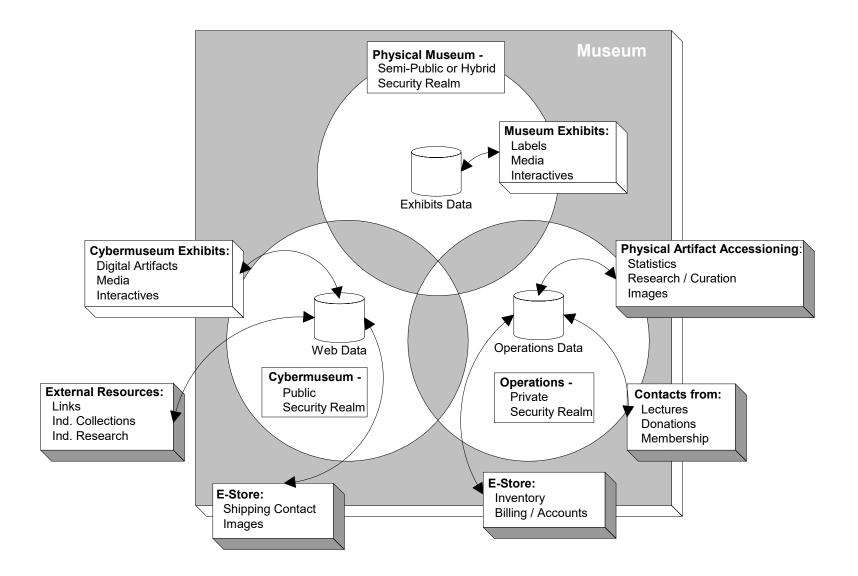
Storytelling timeline

Scalable and flexible back end database

Building general purpose tools



CyberMuseum Data Model





CyberMuseum Hierarchy

Purpose: To show how each tool or Exhibit builds upon previous layers in the data hierarchy by combining one or more elements from the previous layer. CyberMuseum To begin estimating the number of hours required to add new information to the bottom data layer, and add curation as you move up the hierarchy. The bottom data layer will be added to over time, increasing the amount of information available to the whole CyberMuseum. Global Global Flexible **Global Layer** Search Tool **User Interface Physical Immersive Exhibit Interface** Web Interface **Gallery Layer Environment** or Interactive Searchable **Artifact Viewer** Walkthrough **Pioneers** Media - Video **Exhibit Layer Virtual Tour** (baseball card) Hall of Fellows and Photo **Artifact Statistics** Library **Photo** Video / Audio **People** Dimensions, weight Texts Archive Oral History **Data Layer Statistics** Architecture, Creator Books New Archive Footage Index to media, Location Labels



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Collection

Search the Collection

The Computer History Museum collection was begun in the early 1970s and has grown in the intervening years to comprise five distinct collections with many thousands of individual objects. The five collections are: artifacts, documentation, ephemera, software and media (film, video, audio).

Currently, a portion of the artifact collection is searchable online as are extensive archival materials related to the IBM 7030 "Stretch" computer project. Also available is an Online Reading Room which includes a partial listing of titles in the Museum's reference library and a selection of downloadable documents relating to computing history.

As the Computer History Museum catalogs and digitizes its collections, eventually most of the Museum's holdings will be accessible online. We hope you enjoy learning about computer history through our collections.

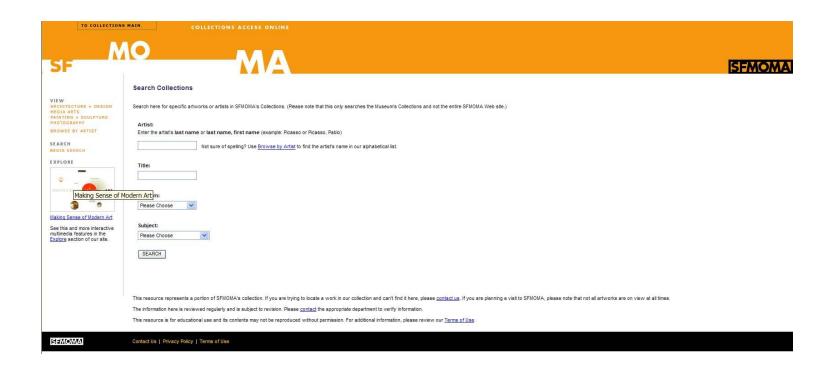
<u>Artifact Collection</u> <u>Stretch Collection</u> <u>Online Reading Room</u>

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Benchmarks

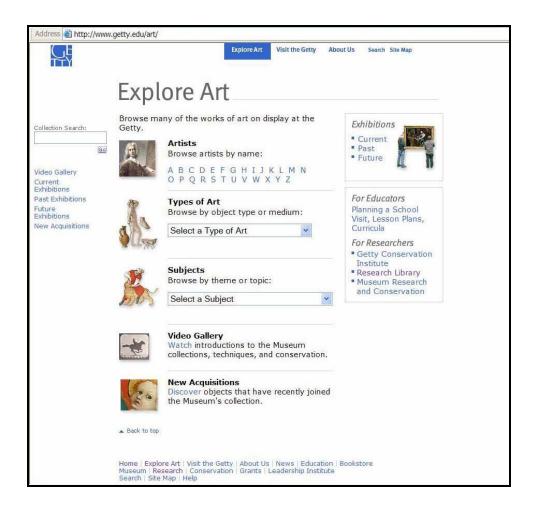


SFMOMA

http://collections.sfmoma.org/kiosk/advanced_search.htm



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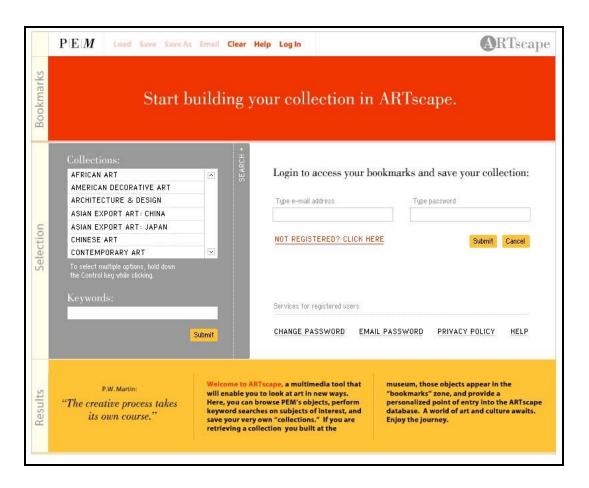


Getty Center

www.getty.edu/art



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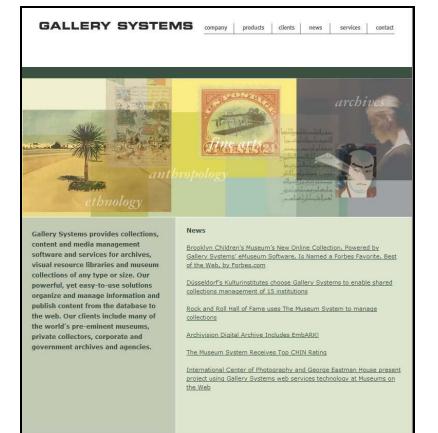


Peabody Essex Museum

http://www.pem.org/artsca pe/index.php



Back-end Research



http://www.gallerysystems.com/

