Digital Public Library of America

the national platform for sharing unique digital collections

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What is DPLA?

Organization

Non-profit that advocates for open access to cultural heritage materials for the public

Portal

A place to search & discover materials

Platform

An API and “maximally open data” for reuse

http://dp.la/info/
Digital + Public

“openly available materials”

Library

“libraries, archives, and museums”

“full breadth of human expression”

- art, culture, history, scholarly works, data

America

US resources only

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DPLA Data

descriptive metadata about materials

Dublin Core-based XML metadata
Must include links to digital objects online
Metadata is public domain / CC0

http://dp.la/info/2013/12/04/cc0-by/
DPLA is not:

- a digital repository
- a content management system
- a preservation solution
- a platform for licensed e-books/e-journals
DPLA: Current Scope

More than 8 million metadata records
13 service hubs (state/regional)
16 content hubs (single organization)
Funded by 8 foundations/federal programs
12 staff members

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DPLA Demo

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Contributing Institution

Wallach Division: Photography Collection. The New York Public Library 1394
University of Utah - J. Willard Marriott Library 781
National Archives and Records Administration 673
Morrison County Historical Society, 2151 S. Lindbergh Dr. P.O. Box 239, Little Falls, MN 56345 568
Archives Center - NMAH 359
Utah State Historical Society 293
University of Southern California Libraries 233
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University of Michigan 196
Uintah County (UT) Library 194
University of Nevada, Reno, University Libraries 159
Hardin-Simmons University Library 156
University of Minnesota 138
NMNH - Entomology Dept. 95
Boston Public Library 88
University of Texas at Arlington Library 85
NMNH - Invertebrate Zoology Dept. 67
Princeton University 60
NMNH - Botany Dept. 56
University of California 49
Arizona State Library, Archives and Public Records 47
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill 40
Utah Valley University Library 36
Purdue University 35
Minnesota Legislative Reference Library 34
UNT Archives 30
Brigham Young University - Harold B. Lee Library 30
Houston Metropolitan Research Center at Houston Public Library 26
Library of Congress 25
University of Nevada, Las Vegas, University Libraries 20

http://dp.la/search?state[]=Colorado
Questions

Is the time right for Colorado to join DPLA?  
What would it cost?  
What role would your organization play?  
What are our next steps?