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Digital Exhibitions for Newbies: GPLS DigEx Cohort

Meet the Team

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The Application Process

Know Your DLG Collection

- Group similar items or utilize a theme to bring together dissimilar items

Community Involvement

- External stakeholders in the creation process
- Interaction with the exhibit and ongoing development

Look at Other Exhibits

- On and above your technical skill level
- [Omeka S Directory](#) and other services for inspiration

Creating a Detailed Outline

Know Your Items

- Look at their item data for clues
- Find their historical significance

Community Involvement and Interaction

- Historical Societies
- Community Advisors
- Inspire community involvement with our collection

Set goals

- Must-haves/wish list
- Make a list of design elements with links that you like

Develop a story

- Group items into pages
- Establish essential content for each item
- Order items to create a logical flow
- Fill in gaps with supplemental items if necessary

Create a Staffing Plan

Office 365 Teams for project management

- ▶ Divide up tasks logically—added Kayla to the team
- ▶ Create internal schedules and deadlines – but be flexible and realistic
- ▶ Collaborate and communicate

The screenshot displays the Microsoft Teams 'Tasks' interface. At the top, there are navigation tabs: 'General', 'Posts', 'Files', 'Staff Notebook', and 'Tasks'. The 'Tasks' view is organized into four columns:

- Not a priority:** Contains three tasks. The first is 'Send Wanda/Katie an email about DLG titles' with a due date of 07/29. The second is 'Oral History Kit' with a due date of 05/27 and assigned to three team members. The third is 'Make a vertical file with all of our bibliography information in it' with a due date of 05/27 and assigned to three team members.
- Priority:** Contains three tasks. The first is 'alt text'. The second is 'test everything on phones, diff browsers, diff cpus (after theme is up)' with a sub-note 'pay close attention to modules - timeline, sliders, carousels etc'. The third is 'Check exhibition with screen reader'.
- Due Dates and Trainings:** Contains one task: 'final exhibits due' with a due date of 06/01 and assigned to three team members.
- Completed:** Contains one task: 'Be 2legit2quit - completed day 1' with a due date of 12/01 and assigned to three team members.

At the bottom right, there is a summary for 'Completed tasks' showing a count of 69.

Project Workload

Research and
Content
Development

Checking
Copyright

Managing
Content

Community
Advisory

Consulting
Admin and
Local
Stakeholders



Mural created by Najee Dorsey for the Mildred L. Terry Library

Balancing Multiple Levels of Input



Internal Command Structures

Supervisors
Managers
Directors



External Command Structures

Advisory Committees
Project Managers



Community Interest

Community Advisors
Content Challenges
Community Reaction

Negatives and Positives

Difficulties

- Lack of knowledge of the Omeka S Platform
- Organization of research

Personal Opportunities

- Personal growth
- Learning new skills

System-wide Opportunities

- Access to skills and resources we can use in our day-to-day duties



Fort Benning "Home of the Infantry"

Exhibition Item: Eight soldiers of the 24th Infantry pose in front of the 24th Infantry's Headquarters. P. 17

Exhibit Details

Embedded Resources

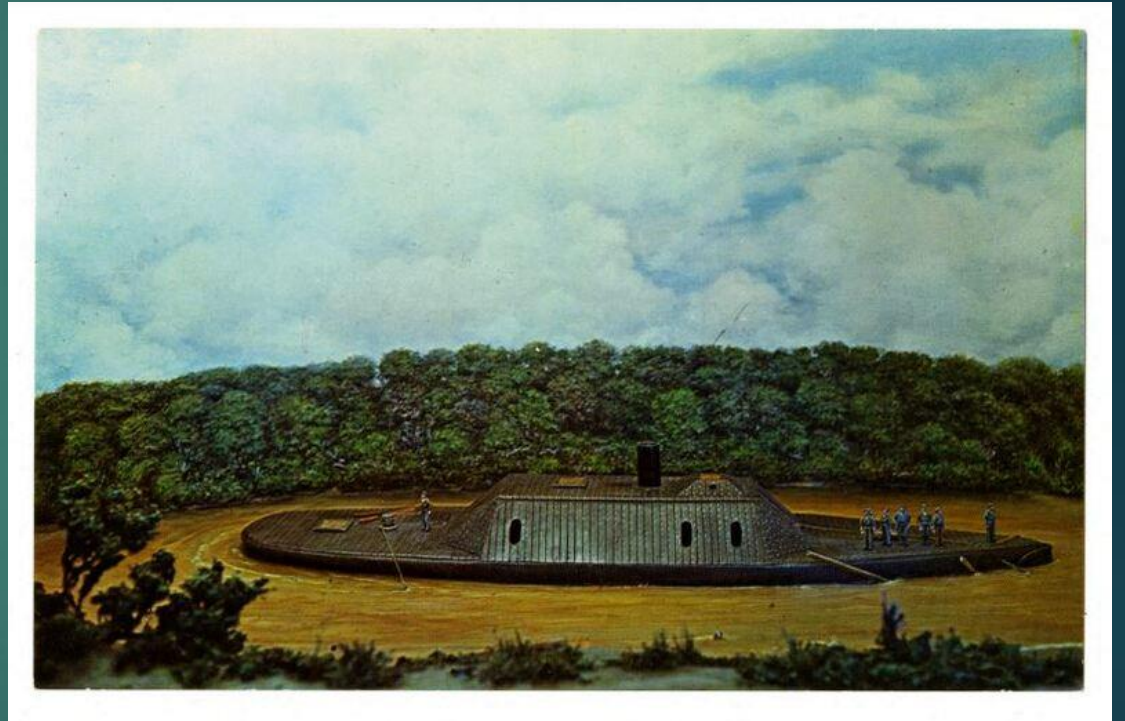
- Knightlab - Timeline JS and Juxtapose
- Historypin
- Canva to create images

Collection Module

- Used to inspire patrons to digitize personal items
- Encourages patrons to get involved with the local history department

Future Expansion

- Requesting consideration to use Omeka to create future exhibits



Postcard of a Diorama of the CSS Muscogee at the Confederate Naval Museum, Columbus, Georgia (currently named the Civil War Naval Museum)

Closing Statements

- ▶ Know your collection and your staff
- ▶ If you have an opportunity to learn new skills, take it
- ▶ Get community input and support
- ▶ Consider how this project will lend skills and resources to future endeavors



Postcard of "St. Elmo." Columbus, Ga.

Important Links

Omeka

- Link to [Omeka S](#)
- Link to [Our Exhibit](#)

Knightlab

- Link to [Timeline JS](#)
- Link to [Juxtapose JS](#)

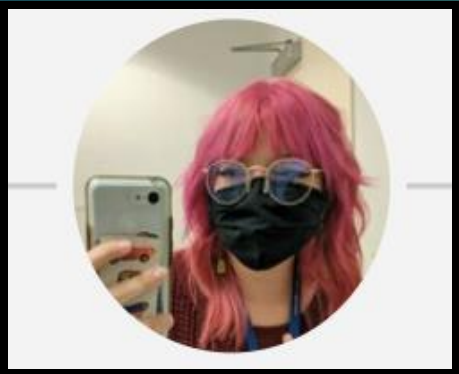
Historypin

- Link to [Historypin](#)
- Link to [Our Driving Tour](#)

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