

Agenda

- Public Libraries Collections
- Public Interest in Collections
- Special Collections and Literacy

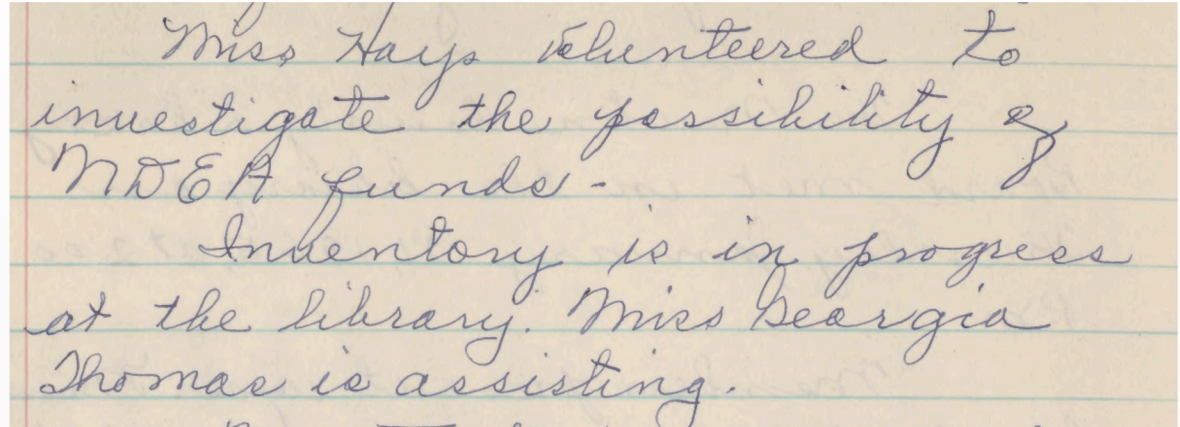


Public Library Collections



What collections

- Genealogy
- Local History
 - Vertical Files
 - Local Collections
 - Ephemera
- Cultural
- Other



Miss Hays volunteered to investigate the possibility of NDEA funds. Inventory is in progress at the library. Miss Georgia Thomas is assisting.

Finding Aids @ Georgia Public Libraries

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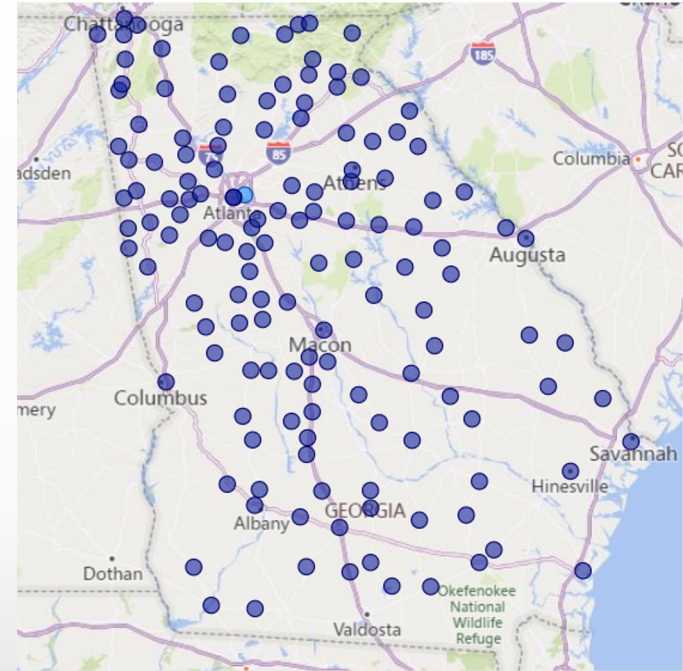
Search

Georgia Archival and Manuscript Collections

Finding Aids @ Georgia Public Libraries is an ArchivesSpace-based platform that provides researchers one place to search all archival, genealogy, and historical collections, sharing materials in Georgia public library collections. Some public libraries run an instance of ArchivesSpace. These include Athens Regional Library and Auburn Avenue Research Library (Special Collections). Their metadata has been harvested to be included in this unified platform.

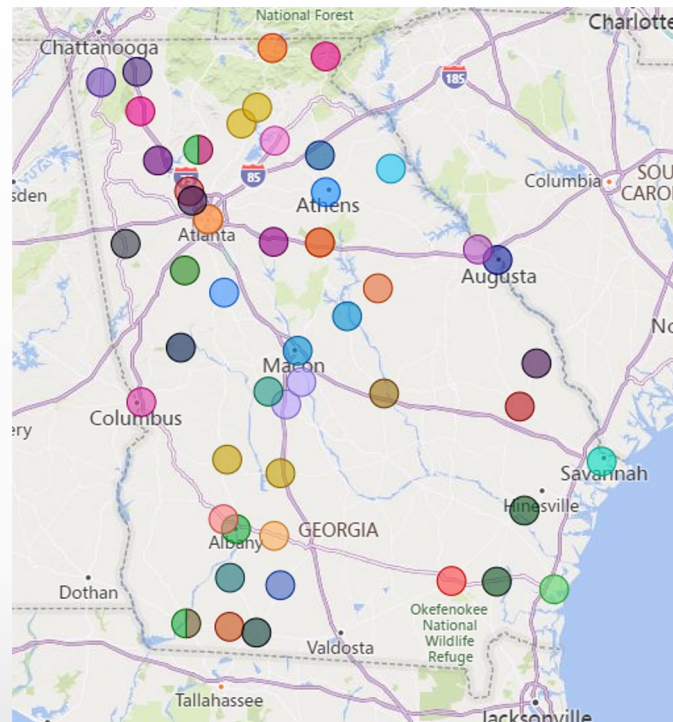
Fast Fact - Public Library Collections

~ 50 -60 % of public libraries
have some kind of special
collections



Fast Facts - Public Library Collection in DLG

- 123 digitized collections
- 106,931 digitized items
- Materials cover most of the state
- Many topics and person's reflected in collections.

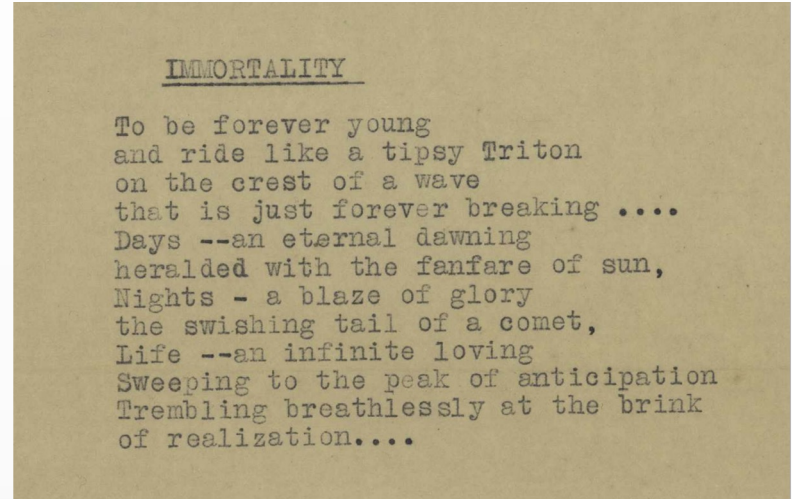


Public Interest In Collections



Interest - Digital Collections Usage (YTD)

- Sessions: 574556
- Views: 637219
- Total Users:
553405

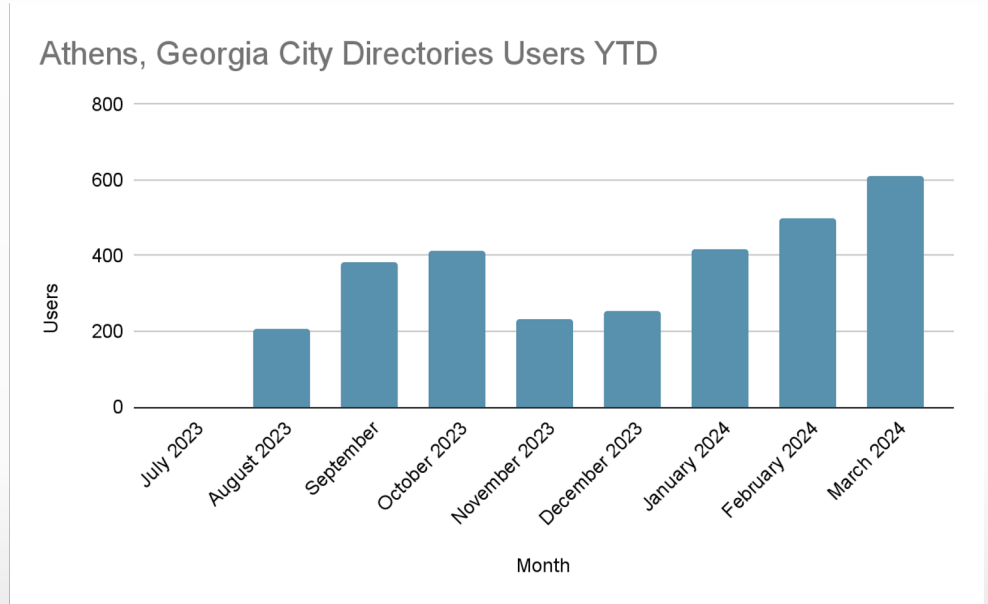


Interest - Highest Used Digital Collections

1. Middle Georgia school yearbooks
2. Southeastern Native American Documents, 1730-1842
3. Gordon County, GA Obituaries
4. Atlanta Funeral Programs Collection
5. Atlanta-Fulton Public Library Collection
6. African American Funeral Programs from the Augusta-Richmond County Public Library System
7. Funeral Programs from the Thomas County Public Library System
8. Hall County Georgia Historical Photograph Collection
9. Savannah City Directories

Interest - Public Programming

- Genealogy Related Collections get use during holidays
- Programing Drives use



Special Collections and Literacy

Forms of Literacy to consider

- Information Literacy
- Media Literacy
- Artifactual Literacy

Information Literacy

the ability to recognize when sources of knowledge or data are needed to address a situation or problem and to identify, locate, evaluate, and use the sources

Information Literacy - Exercises

- Teaching Archival Research Methods
- Explaining Archival Policies and Procedures
- **Primary Source Analysis Exercises**

Example - Sound Recording

- [NARA - Sound Recording Analysis Tool](#)
- [Andrew Young Recording](#)

Media Literacy

is the ability to access, analyze, evaluate and create media in a variety of forms.

Media Literacy - Exercises

- Analysis of specific historical media
 - Paintings
 - Political Cartoons
 - Advertising
- Creating Media based on historical Collections
- Curating Historical Media
 - Creating exhibits
 - Capturing

Media Literacy - Creating Media



Media Literacy - Curating



Artifactual Literacy

the ability to understand, contextualize, and interpret primary sources, in part by taking into consideration their physical characteristics

Historical Literate



Public Libraries and Archival Collections

Artifactual Literacy - Exercises

- Explaining historical context of a specific record
- Explaining process used to create a historical records
- Explaining historical context

Artefactual Literacy - Example



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