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2014 HathiTrust Member Meeting: October 10, 2014, Washington, DC

We look forward to meeting with member representatives at the 2014 HathiTrust Member Meeting, which will be held at the Hotel Palomar in Washington DC on October 10, 2014 from 9am until 3pm. A continental breakfast will be available at 8am. Contact information for the Palomar is found below.

This will be the first all-member meeting since the 2011 Constitutional Convention, and all member representatives, or their designate, are encouraged to attend. Since the 2011 Convention, HathiTrust's collections has grown by 17% (now 11.4 million volumes) and our membership has nearly doubled. In 2013 we approved bylaws and a new governing structure, and now have in general embarked on the next phase of our partnership's development.

We ask all official Member Representatives to plan to attend or to designate an attendee who will vote on behalf of their institution. Following the model of the 2011 Constitutional Convention, library directors from consortia that are HathiTrust members may also attend, although only the member representative for the consortia may vote.

A detailed agenda will be sent to registered attendees in advance of the meeting, but our plans include an overview of the partnership's operations and current initiatives, a presentation of the budget, a discussion of the legal landscape, and dialog on our mission and possible future directions. A highlight of our day will include a talk by Jack Bernard, Associate General Counsel at the University of Michigan, titled "Mammoth Tending: Notes from the Underfoot."

There is no charge to attend the meeting, but we will ask attendees to RSVP by September 19 using this form: http://bit.ly/1x7iuBE.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

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2014 HathiTrust Member Meeting Location

Hotel Palomar, Washington, DC
2121 P Street, NW
Washington, DC 20037

Reservations: (877) 866-3070
Phone: (202) 448-1800
http://www.hotelpalomar-dc.com/

US Government Documents Registry Job Posting

The University of Michigan has reworked and reposted a programmer position to support the HathiTrust Government Documents Registry project. Applications can

Late Breaking News

The University of Michigan has received a third grant award from the Institute of Museum and Library Services for copyright determination work in the Copyright Review Management System. A portion of the grant will include exploration of sustainability options with HathiTrust. View the full press release.

September Forecast

Continue work on new Image Server capabilities for continuous text content.

Reassess accessibility features of PageTurner with particular attention to supporting new content types.

Migrate to Solr 4.10 and re-index the collection.

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be submitted through the University of Michigan jobs website.

Ingest

Locally-digitized Content

HathiTrust worked with several institutions on deposit of new content, including Princeton University and Texas A&M University, which submitted sample content for review, the University of Delaware, which is preparing a new batch for deposit, and the University of Maryland, Yale University, Cornell University, University of British Columbia, and University of Iowa, which were in touch about beginning the process.

Internet Archive-digitized Content

Tufts University and Washington University, St. Louis, began conversations about submission of Internet Archive-digitized content, and the University of Massachussets completed documentation in preparation for deposit.

Google-Digitized Content

The University of Illinois reached an agreement with Google that will allow deposit of in-copyright materials that Google has until now held in escrow. This will enable deposit of approximately 120,000 new volumes into HathiTrust. The agreement opens a possible path for other institutions of the Committee on Institutional Cooperation to deposit similarly escrowed content amount to more than 1 million volumes in all.

Bibliographic Data Management

The California Digital Library loaded 48,250 new or updated bibliographic records into Zephir.

Note to content contributors: if you anticipate a change in your institution's integrated library system (ILS), please alert the CDL staff as early as possible to be sure any attendant issues can be addressed (email cdl-zphr-l@ucop.edu). More information about ILS changes can be found in the new Section 6 (page 23) of the Metadata Submission Guide: "Contributor ILS Changes".

Working Groups and Committees

Program Steering Committee

With several working groups established to carry out initiatives approved at the Constitutional Convention and to address immediate priorities, the Program Steering Committee is turning its attention to developing its agenda for the year ahead. In consultation with Mike Furlough, the Committee has identified four main areas of focus: quality of HathiTrust content and its impact on services and program-

matic objectives; strategies for metadata management, enhancement, and use; implementation of services for users with print disabilities; and potential expansion to embrace additional content formats (in conjunction with the Collections Committee.) Members of the Committee are developing issue briefs on each topic for presentation at the upcoming members meeting, and to help frame action around these program areas. The Committee will hold a full day meeting in Washington following the Members Meeting to review feedback and continue deliberations.

US Government Documents Planning and Advisory Group

Last spring, a Planning and Advisory Group was tasked by the HathiTrust Program Steering Committee to develop a plan for extending the corpus of government information in HathiTrust, and optimizing its discoverability and utility. The working group is developing a set of recommendations to this end, giving attention to five categories of documents specifically; each category requiring somewhat different approaches under existing digitization and archiving programs:

1. Cataloged U.S. federal documents in Google partner libraries that can make print copies available to Google for digitization.
2. Cataloged U.S. federal documents in non-Google partner institutions that can either feed documents to Google, or supply via a different digitization partner (e.g., Internet Archive) for eventual ingest by HathiTrust
3. Bodies of already digitized documents in the hands of libraries, agencies, vendors, or not-for-profit associations that, given appropriate terms, could be deposited in HathiTrust.
4. Uncataloged print content in libraries that could be surfaced, cataloged and digitized. Toward this end, the HathiTrust registry initiative should shed light on the extent of these largely invisible resources, as well as providing a somewhat streamlined path for cataloging and digitization.
5. Federal government information that is distributed or made accessible outside of the auspices of the GPO depository library program.

Note: An extended version of this update is available on our website.

Projects

Copyright Review

A summary of the determinations from HathiTrust copyright review activities in August is given below. See CRMS-US and CRMS-World for further information.

	August		Overall	
	Public Domain	All Determinations	Public Domain	All Determinations
CRMS-US	135	174	166,417	315,842
CRMS-World	3,971	7,124	72,207	139,034
Total	4,106	7,298	238,624	454,876

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Government Documents Registry

Project staff began testing methods of identifying US federal government documents based on bibliographic metadata, and also began testing and modifying a relationship detection algorithm on known government documents records. Work continues on the development of specifications for the normalization and merging of duplicate records.

Development Updates

Development activities by HathiTrust institutions included the folowing:

Authentication and Authorization:

- Creation of an administrative reporting interface to view details about the status of staff members who have special privileges to access restricted materials in HathiTrust.
- Improvements to portions of the registration workflow for these users and revision of relevant documentation.

Collection Builder

- Improvements to end user messaging about the status of items in personal collections, providing separate notifications for items that are in the queue to be indexed, versus those that will never be indexed because they have been deleted from the repository.
- Added functionality to allow collection owners to create multiple collections that have the same name.

Full-text Search

- Correction of a problem in navigation of full-text search results. The link to the first page of results would disappear if the user navigated beyond a certain number of pages.
- Investigation of performance issues for HathiTrust full-text search and testing of features under various high load scenarios.
- The supplier of the high-performance storage system for full-text search announced the availability of pre-release software that is expected to resolve performance and stability problems. Staff will obtain and test the software in September.

PageTurner Mobile

- The release of a new interface "skin" for the mobile version of PageTurner. PageTurner mobile now uses the common code base shared across the suite of HathiTrust web applications, and is updated for modern mobile browsers.

Server replacement

- Due to vacation schedules, staff were unable to complete the installation of new full-text search servers in Michigan as planned, but expect to complete

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the installation in Michigan in mid-September and in Indiana in early October.

Availability

Repository

Cumulative 12-month availability of repository access: 99.844%*

No outages were reported in August.

* Repository access refers to page viewing and full-text search functionality, i.e., user-facing applications. It does not refer to preservation or storage infrastructure, which is under continual operation.

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User Support Issues	August	July
Content	**154**	**197**
Quality	145	182
Collections	9	14
Cataloging	**181**	**179**
Access and Use	**172**	**178**
Copyright	115	126
Permissions	5	3
Takedown	0	0
Print on Demand	1	0
Inter-library loan	2	2
Full-PDF or e-copy requests	18	10
Datasets	4	3
Data Availability and APIs	1	3
Reuse of content	5	7
Web applications	**30**	**22**
Functionality problems	12	5
Problems with login specifically	0	4
General questions about login	0	1
Partners setting up login	5	1
Usability issues	0	1
Feature requests	2	2
Partner Ingest	**28**	**9**
General	**99**	**122**
Partnership	8	10
Miscellaneous	91	112
Total	**664**	**707**

*See User Support Working Group Issue Types for a description of the types of issues included in each category.

Most-accessed volumes

Modern California Houses: Case Study Houses, 1945-1962, by Esther McCoy.

The Lesson of Japanese Architecture, by Jiro Harada.

Godey's Magazine. v.40-41, 1850.

Eric Mendelsohn, by Arnold Whittick.

Modern Church Architecture: A Guide to the Form and Spirit of 20th Century Religious Buildings, Albert Christ-Janer and Mary Mix Foley.

Kinematics and Dynamics of Plane Mechanisms, by Jeremy Hirschhorn.

Architecture and Furniture: Aalto, by the Museum of Modern Art.

Four Walking Tours of Modern Architecture in New York City, by Ada Louise Huxtable.

The Human Figure, by John H. Vanderpoel.

Somatic Development of Adolescent Boys: A Study of the Growth of Boys During the Second Decade of Life, by Herbert Rowell Stolz and Lois Meek Stolz.

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Total Volumes Added	August	Overall
Boston College	0	3,210
Columbia University	0	65,166
Cornell University	4,200	498,070
Duke University	0	7,775
Harvard University	0	238,065
Indiana University	28	196,126
Keio University	0	90,080
Knowledge Unlatched	3	27
Library of Congress	0	108,883
McGill University	0	893
New York Public Library	0	294,818
North Carolina State University	0	3,196
Northwestern University	222	56,621
Ohio State University	8,626	50,549
Penn State	9	91,497
Princeton University	6	252,781
Purdue University	1	46,913
Sterling & Francine Clark Art Institute	0	358
Texas A&M	0	1,201
Universidad Complutense	96	113,378
University of California	6,317	3,574,164
University of Chicago	167	51,831
University of Connecticut	0	4,629
University of Delaware	0	28
University of Florida	0	9,866
University of Illinois	24,070	177,252
University of Massachusetts, Amherst	0	11,115
University of Michigan	3,828	4,701,602
University of Minnesota	63	138,490
UNC - Chapel Hill	0	17,025
University of Virginia	0	51,206
University of Wisconsin	34	558,684
Utah State University	0	117
Yale University	0	23,678
Total	47,670	11,439,294

Public Domain (~35% of total)

	August	Overall
Total*	42,989	4,011,558

*Includes works opened via copyright review and rights holder permissions.

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