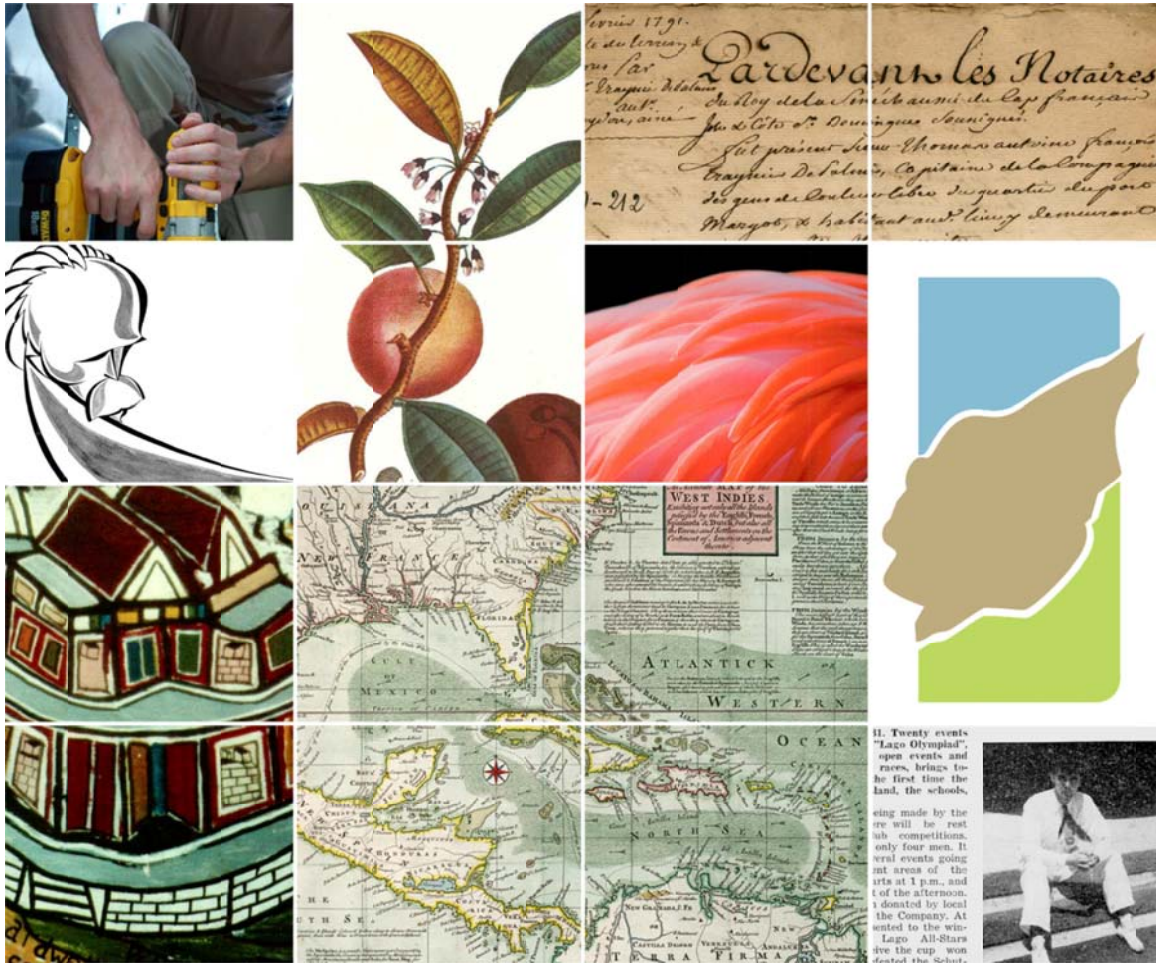


DIGITAL LIBRARY OF THE CARIBBEAN | Fall 2010



PROJECT OVERVIEW

The impact of the Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC) on Caribbean scholarship continues to grow. Currently, over 1.5 million pages of Caribbean research materials are online and freely accessible with only an internet connection. In 2009, the site had over six million page views. dLOC also makes a targeted effort to train educators how to use the resources in the classroom. In addition, dLOC not only provides access to the resources but also trains local partner institutions to digitize resources for preservation and to create the related metadata.

Over **20** Institutional
Partners

93,000 Page Views
per Month
(Jan. to July 2010 Average)

1.5 Million Pages of
Content

NEW TOOLS AND TECHNOLOGIES

The technological infrastructure that supports dLOC is strong, robust and continues to develop new features for dLOC users and partner institutions.



Create a Bookshelf & More

Create a bookshelf for your research or your class. Share it via email or post the link on your blog. While you do not have to register to search dLOC, registering for a free account allows users to:

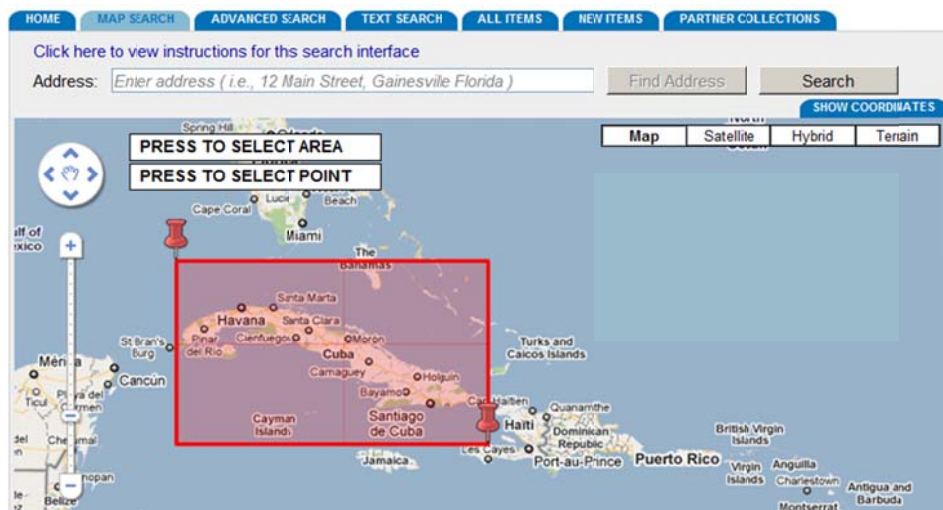
- Send an item to a friend via email
- Save an item to your bookshelf and add user comments to the item (comments are not displayed to others on the item, but will show within your bookshelf)
- Save a search, or browse to your favorite searches
- Share an item (via Facebook, Twitter, DIGG, StumbleUpon, Yahoo, Yahoo Buzz, Google Bookmarks, Browser favorites)
- Manage your bookshelves and saved searches through the mydLOC home page

New Search Options

Now that dLOC has over one million pages of content, the search has been re-optimized for improved ease and results...

Home Page: From the home page, your basic search will access the bibliographic citation information of the items in dLOC and return your results very quickly.

Map Search: If you are looking for items with discrete geographic locations, you can take advantage of the new map search. Just click to make a box around a search area and hit search. You will receive results from any item with longitude and latitude in the metadata.



Advanced Search: If the basic search returns too many results, you may want to try the advanced search feature. This allows you to restrict your search terms by categories such as title, author, subject keyword, country and more.

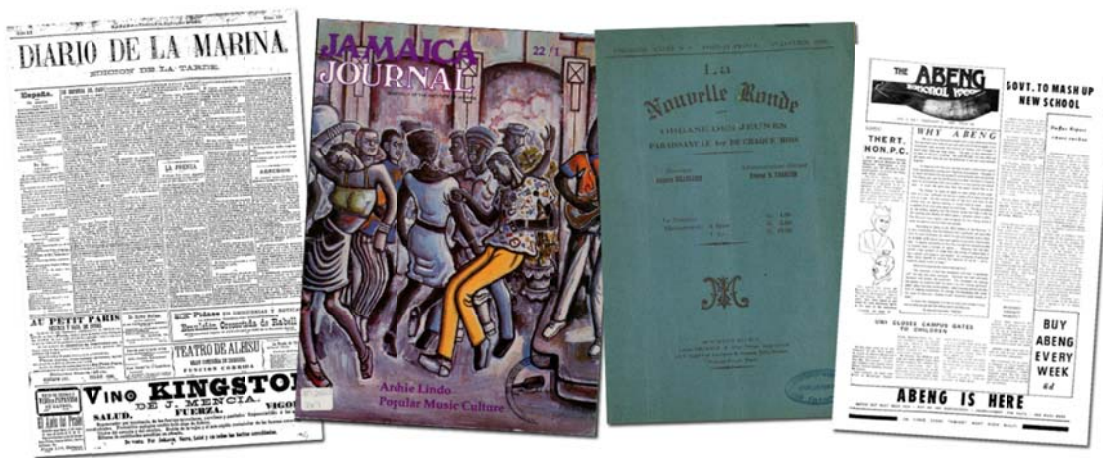
Full Text Search: If you would like to search through the full text for a specific word or phrase, click on the text search tab. Here you will indicate if you'd like to include the newspapers in your search by clicking the check box below the search bar. Type in the search term and wait while dLOC looks through all of the full text files. You will receive results that include the term either in the citation or the full text. If the term is in the full text, the pages will appear in the "matching tiles" box on the top left of the screen.

Faceted Searching: Once you have completed any search, you will have the option to expand or narrow your results by selecting the related search terms in the box to your left. Options include finding items by the same publisher, in the same geographic area, with the same subject terms and many more. Since dLOC partners use both standard and local subject terms, this can be an especially useful way to find new materials!

NEW COLLABORATIONS

Caribbean Newspaper Digital Library

The Caribbean Newspaper Digital Library received \$440,000 in funding from the US Department of Education Technological Innovation and Cooperation for Foreign Information Access, to support the ongoing development of Caribbean research resources in serial form, such as newspapers, journals and magazines. dLOC is working with partner institutions and publishers to secure permissions to distribute publications still under copyright protection. This funding will also allow us to develop new tools to support online submission of serial publications from project partners.



[Diario de la Marina, September 8, 1899](#) (University of Florida); [Jamaica Journal, February 1989](#) (Institute of Jamaica); [La Nouvelle Ronde, January 1926](#) (National Library of Haiti); [The Abeng, February 1, 1969](#) (Florida International University and the Center for Caribbean Thought)

Check out the materials already online: www.dloc.com/cndl

Some of the titles already in CNDL include the *Diario de la Marina* with the Center for Research Libraries; *Aruba Esso News* with National Library of Aruba; *Sargasso* with the University of Puerto Rico; *Jamaica Journal* with the Institute of Jamaica; *Eme Eme: Estudios Dominicanos* with the Pontificia Universidad Católica Madre y Maestra, *Abeng* and *Struggle* with Florida International University and The Center for Caribbean Thought, and *Guyana Chronicle*, *The Nassau Tribune*, *Dateline Dominican Republic*, *Escapes Panama*, *Spillway*, *Tropic Time* with the University of Florida.



Great earthquake disaster: Corner King and Harbour streets.

Kingston, Jamaica. W. I., [1907?]

History Miami

dLOC Welcomes Five New Members

It is always exciting to have new members join dLOC. As members, these libraries will select items from their collections available to researchers all over the world in the collaborative online website while ensuring long term digital preservation. In addition, these collections will be accessible directly beside related collections of Caribbean content. The individual members will also benefit from the promotion and awareness of the larger dLOC project.

dLOC currently has content from 20 partner institutions online. Membership is open to archives, libraries, and museums; associations, organizations, and research centers; and publishers with collections of Caribbean content that they can make freely available online.

- Caribbean Region of the International Resource Network
- Educa Vision Inc.
- Florida State University Libraries Robert Manning Strozier Library
- HistoryMiami (formerly the Historical Museum of Southern Florida)
- University of Miami Otto G. Richter Library

The Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative

In the wake of the tragic January 12, 2010, earthquake in Haiti, dLOC's relationships in the region enabled the project to play a key role in providing assistance for the Haitian libraries and archives. The Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative is working to facilitate communication, coordinate in-kind donations and raise money for the preservation of the at-risk library and archival collections in Haiti.

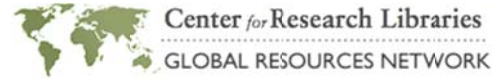
In the first six months after the earthquake, the Initiative directly secured over \$9,000 in financial donations with support from additional partnerships in the US and abroad, as well as \$30,000 in in-kind donations with support from the FIU College of Business and the Society of Florida Archivists. The project has also shared information and advocated for the needs of the partner institutions at six academic conferences. The Initiative will continue to provide assistance and support for the libraries and archives through dLOC's on-going partnerships.



**Protecting
Haitian
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Improve Access in French - CIFNAL and MANIOC



Formal collaborations with the Center for Research Libraries Collaborative Initiative for French North American Libraries (CIFNAL) and MANIOC, the University of the Antilles-Guyane's digital library, will enable these groups to work together to improve and increase electronic access to francophone documents located in the French Caribbean or outside of the French Caribbean with a focus on this region. CIFNAL members will bring additional linguistic and cultural assets to help dLOC reach out to new French-speaking partners and help make connections to researchers in North America. Manioc's digital library provides access to digital objects related to the Caribbean, Amazon and the Guyana Plateau and serves as an excellent partner to develop new projects with dLOC. Please contact Matthew Loving (matlovi@uflib.ufl.edu), Romance Languages Librarian at the University of Florida Smathers Library and the dLOC/CIFNAL project coordinator, for more information.

Teacher Training Outreach

dLOC also has a strong impact in Florida through k-12 teacher training workshops. In collaboration with the Title VI designated National Resource Centers at Florida International University and the University of Florida, dLOC delivered two workshops titled "Teaching Caribbean Diversity." These workshops, designed by Mary Risner of the UF Center for Latin American Studies, link electronic resources, expert lectures and collaborative group work to encourage teachers to tie the Caribbean into their classrooms. In addition, after the earthquake in Haiti, FIU graduate student, Adam Silvia presented "Haiti's History" highlighting dLOC resources at the Miami Dade Social Studies Conference.

More than 20 lesson plans are available online at www.dloc.com/teach.

Please contact dloc@fiu.edu if you have lesson plans you are willing to share.

GOVERNANCE

Executive Board Meeting

The dLOC Executive Board met on June 10, 2010, in Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, during the 40th annual conference of the Association of Caribbean University Research and Institutional Libraries. During the first meeting of the newly elected Executive Board, seven voting members and three non-voting members discussed governance, collection development, new technical features, metadata standards, funding and new strategies for communication and publicity.

Executive Board Members

Chair: Jean Wilfrid Bertrand, Director, Archives Nationales d'Haïti

Vice-chair: Margo Groenewoud, Director, University of the Netherlands Antilles Library

Secretary: Dr. Mark Greenberg, Director of Special & Digital Collections, University of South Florida

Barry Baker, Director of Libraries, University of Central Florida

Astrid Britten, Director, Biblioteca Nacional Aruba

Maureen Newton, Caribbean Community Secretariat

Dulce María Nuñez, Director, Biblioteca, Pontificia Universidad Madre y Maestra

Joy Ysaguirre, Chief Librarian, Belize National Library Service and Information System

Past-Chair (non-voting): Judith Rogers, Manager, Library and Faculty Technology Services, University of the Virgin Islands (UVI)

Host Institution: Laurie Probst, Dean of Libraries, Florida International University (FIU)

Scholarly Advisory Board Chair: Cristina Eguizábal, Director of the Latin American & Caribbean Center, Florida International University (FIU)

Scholarly Advisory Board

The Scholarly Advisory Board, made up of academics and professionals in the fields of Caribbean Studies and Digital Libraries, provides guidance on collection development, collection accessibility, and technical issues. Restricted travel funding made it difficult for Scholarly Advisory Board members to meet this year at the Caribbean Studies Association conference.

Recent exemplary work of two board members merits special notice. Leah Rosenberg has played a pivotal role in the development of Caribbean literary collections. Chantalle Verna has played an active role in the development of both the dLOC Haitian collections and the Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative after the January 12, 2010, earthquake. dLOC will issue a new call for members of the Scholarly Advisory Board in the spring of 2011.

Scholarly Advisory Board Members

Chair: Dr. Cristina Eguizábal, Director, Latin American and Caribbean Center; Professor, Political Science; Principal Investigator, CNDL (dLOC PI, 2007-2009), Florida International University

Co-Chair: Dr. Phillip Williams, Professor, Director and Professor, Center for Latin American Studies; co-PI, CNDL, University of Florida

Dr. Alejandra Bronfman, Assistant Professor, Department of History, University of British Columbia Vancouver, Canada

Dr. Eric Duke, Assistant Professor, Department of Africana Studies, University of South Florida

Lloyd Gardner, Manager, Environmental Support Services; Environmental Specialist, St. Thomas, Virgin Islands

Adolfo Gonzalez Henriquez, Sociologist; Scientific Advisor, Biblioteca Digital del Caribe Hector

Rojas Herazo, Universidad del Norte, Barranquilla, Colombia

Dr. Jo Ann Harris, Professor, Literature, Communication & Culture, Georgia, Institute of Technology

Dr. Leah Rosenberg, Assistant Professor, Department of English, University of Florida

Dr. Chantalle Verna, Assistant Professor, Depts. of History and International Relations, Florida International University

Ex-Officio Member: dLOC Project Co-Director (Judith Rogers, University of the Virgin Islands)

Ex-Officio Member: dLOC Technical Director (Laurie Taylor, University of Florida)

Ex-Officio Member: dLOC Project Co-Director (Gayle Williams, Florida International University)

Ex-Officio Member: dLOC Project Coordinator (Brooke Wooldridge, Florida International University)

PUBLICATIONS AND PRESENTATIONS

Recent Publications

Ochoa, Marilyn and Mark Sullivan. “Digital Library of the Caribbean: a user-centric model for technology development in collaborative digitization projects.” Special issue, OCLC Systems & Services: International Digital Library Perspectives. 25.4 (2009).

Wooldridge, Brooke; Laurie Taylor; and Mark Sullivan. "Managing an Open Access, Multi-Institutional, International Digital Library: the Digital Library of the Caribbean". Resource Sharing & Information Networks. 20: 1 (2009).

Recent Presentations

Seminar on the Acquisition of Latin American Library Materials SALALM

Providence, Rhode Island, July 23-27, 2010

“Saving Haitian Cultural Patrimony after the Earthquake”

Brooke Wooldridge

Global Resources Network Forum (Fair Dealing and Sustainable Management of Archives and Cultural Evidence)

Center for Research Libraries, Washington DC, June 25, 2010

“The Digital Library of the Caribbean”

Gayle Williams

Association of Caribbean University, Research and Institutional Libraries ACURIL

Santo Domingo, Dominican Republic, June 6-12, 2010

“Metadata: Evidence-based development of techniques for the applied creation of metadata”

Laila Miletic-Vejzovic and Mark Sullivan

“Applying emerging standards in developing a Caribbean Newspaper Digital Library”

Laurie Taylor

“Organizing and representing Thematic Collections through evidence-based practices”

Judith Rogers

“Surveying best practices in disaster response - Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative”

Brooke Wooldridge

Caribbean Studies Association CSA

Georgetown, Barbados, May 24-28, 2010

“Project Planning and Unforeseen Events: Saving Haitian Cultural Patrimony after the Earthquake”

Brooke Wooldridge

Latin American Studies Outreach Conference

Stone Center for Latin American Studies, May 20-21, 2010

“Best Practices in Collaboration for Latin American Studies K-12 Teacher Training”

Hannah Covert, Liesl Picard, Brooke Wooldridge

TICFIA Annual Conference

University of Virginia, May 6-7, 2010

“Caribbean Newspaper Digital Library”

Laurie Taylor and Brooke Wooldridge

Haiti’s History: Foundations of the Future

Duke University, April 22-23, 2010

“The Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative: Preserving Patrimony while Respecting Local Sovereignty”

Brooke Wooldridge

Association of Caribbean Women Writers and Scholars

Baton Rouge, Louisiana, April 20-24, 2010

“The Protecting Haitian Patrimony Initiative: Preserving Patrimony while Respecting Local Sovereignty”

Brooke Wooldridge and Vicki Silvera

The Digital Library of the Caribbean (dLOC) and the Caribbean Newspaper Digital Library

Florida State University, March 26, 2010

Matt Loving, Mark Sullivan, and Laurie Taylor

Caribbean Diversity Teacher Training

Melbourne, Florida, April 24 and May 1, 2010

Mary Risner, Brooke Wooldridge, Chantalle Verna, Heather Russell, Nicola Foote, Rosalyn Howard

Miami Dade Council for Social Studies Conference

March 1, 2010

“Teaching Haiti’s History: Past and Present”

Adam Silvia and Brooke Wooldridge

Endangered Archives Workshop

Harriet Tubman Institute, York University, Canada, January 23, 2010

“A Multi-Institutional Approach to Newspaper Preservation in the Caribbean”

Gayle Williams

Caribbean Diversity Teacher Training

Jacksonville, Florida, January, 2010

Mary Risner, Brooke Wooldridge, Chantalle Verna, Andrea Queeley, Heather

Russell, Gerry Murray

Digital Library of the Caribbean Summit

Florida International University, November 16 -17, 2009

dLOC Partners

Jamaica Journal Launch

Florida International University, November 16, 2009

Barry Chevannes, Clover Johnston

Haitian Studies Association HSA

University of Indiana, Bloomington, November 15, 2009

“The Digital Library of the Caribbean – Collaboration for Improved Preservation and Access for Research Materials”

Brooke Wooldridge and Adam Silvia

Florida Council for Social Studies

Palm Beach Gardens, Florida, September 24-27, 2009

“Take Latin America and the Caribbean into Your Classroom”

Mary Risner and Brooke Wooldridge

Digital Library of the Caribbean Partner Institutions

Archives Nationales d’Haiti, Aruba National Library, Bibliothèque Haïtienne des Pères du St-Esprit, Biblioteca Rafael Herrera Cabral, Belize National Library, Caribbean Community Secretariat, Caribbean Information Resource Network, The College of The Bahamas, Educa Vision Inc., Florida International University, Florida State University, Fundación Global Democracia y Desarrollo, HistoryMiami, National Library of Jamaica, University of Central Florida, University of Florida, University of Miami, University of the Netherlands Antilles, Universidad de Oriente, University of South Florida, University of the Virgin Islands

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